

Press Release

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Take On A Marathon Challenge!

Fundraisers at St Peter & St James Hospice in North Chailey are looking for runners to fill places in the first ever Brighton Marathon taking place on Sunday 18th April next year.

Gill Cronin, Head of Fundraising at the Hospice said: "We're delighted to have 25 places in the inaugural Brighton Marathon. Every year we have to turn down people who want to run the London Marathon for us because we only have five places so it's great to have places in a brand new marathon which is taking place right on our doorstep! It looks set to be an extremely popular event so if you fancy yourself as the next Paula Radcliffe, you need a reason to do some exercise or if running a marathon is your lifetime dream then why not sign up to one of our free places?"

Anybody interested in running for the Hospice should contact Karen Lambert on 01444 471598 or email fundraising@stpeter-stjames.org.uk. To qualify for a free place runners must pledge to raise a minimum of £250 in sponsorship. All runners will receive a St Peter & St James Hospice running vest, park and ride, runner hospitality at the start and finish and a post race massage as well as a certificate, medal, t-shirt and goody bag, fundraising advice and support from start to finish.

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For further information: Karen Lambert or Gill Cronin on 01444 471598

Notes to Editors: About St Peter & St James Hospice & Continuing Care Centre

Our mission as a registered charity is to provide specialist care, love and support for those living with progressive, life limiting illnesses from East and West Sussex. We will endeavour to meet the needs of each patient, their family and friends. We aim to encourage and enable all patients to live their lives to their full potential despite their illnesses.

We care for patients from Burgess Hill, Haywards Heath, Lewes, Uckfield and the surrounding villages. Last year we provided care for more than 400 patients and their families. All of our Hospice services are free of charge and we receive just 15% of our funding from the Government. This means we have to raise more than £1.4 million every year through fundraising. That's £4,000 every single day.

If you are interested in working or volunteering at St Peter & St James please contact Human Resources on 01444 471598 or visit www.stpeter-stjames.org.uk.

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