

1ST CENTRAL volunteers and fundraises for Hospice

At the end of September, St Peter & St James was joined by 1ST CENTRAL members of staff who volunteered in the Hospice grounds. Everyone at St Peter & St James is grateful to the organisation for their volunteering and continued funding support.



1ST CENTRAL, based in Haywards Heath, has been actively fundraising for the Hospice and last year set a target to cover the costs of three days of services and care provided by the Hospice. Employees from across the business were involved in raising funds through a wide range of sporting and fun activities, including bike rides, football matches, cake sales, sponsored runs and even a sponsored haircut, ensuring that they reached the amazing target!

Last spring, when 1ST CENTRAL heard that St Peter & St James was £40,000 short for opening Beacon View Wellbeing Centre, the company pledged to underwrite that amount over 18 months from Aug 2014 –Dec 2015. This was a fantastic offer and means the Hospice can complete the remaining work on Beacon View and its grounds.

Colin Burgess, Chief Executive of St Peter & St James Hospice, said, “Not only is this a very generous offer of support, but the fact that so many of 1ST CENTRAL’s employees will be involved in helping to raise the funds reflects the community ethos of the hospice. We are very grateful for the support of both the management and staff of 1ST CENTRAL.”

Andy James, FCIM CEO, said, “1ST CENTRAL became involved with the Hospice when one of our colleagues became ill and needed Hospice care. Martin, and his family received wonderful care and support from the Hospice both before and after he died and our employees chose to support the valuable work of the Hospice and fundraise to help others receive the same care.”