

## West Sussex County Council Deputy Leader visits local hospice to see improvements from £20,000 grant

St Peter & St James Hospice was delighted to welcome Mrs Christine Field, Deputy Leader of West Sussex County Council, to see the work carried out with an award for £20,000 from the Council's Members' Big Society Fund.



On Monday 22 February, Mrs Christine Field (also the Cabinet Member for Community Wellbeing at West Sussex County Council), presented the Hospice with a beautiful plaque commemorating the award. Mrs Field sponsored an application by the Hospice to the Big Society Fund for a grant towards the cost of replacing boilers.

The grant was received last autumn and, together with other grants, the money was used to complete the boiler replacement in January. Following a short tour of the new facilities, Mrs Field met with the Hospice's Chief Executive, Colin Burgess, and Kate Gibson, the Trusts and Legacies Manager at St Peter & St James Hospice.

Kate Gibson said, ""We're extremely grateful for the grant awarded to the hospice by the Big Society Fund and for Christine's help in sponsoring our application. This was an important project for the hospice and the Big Society Fund award enabled us to move forward with the work in a timely way."