Local Charities Benefit from Construction Firm Donations

Two important local charities have each received a £1,500 boost to their coffers from Cheltenham based construction firm Britannia.

Britannia made the donations to the James Hopkins Trust, based in North Upton Lane in Gloucester, and Sue Ryder Care – Leckhampton Court Hospice. Each year Britannia provides financial and practical support to a number of charities and regional organisations.

The James Hopkins Trust delivers help for severely disabled, life threatened and life limited young children with nursing needs, aged 5 years and under, living in Gloucestershire. Sue Ryder Care provides specialist palliative, neurological and community-based services throughout the UK, looking after people living with condition including Cancer, Brain Injury and Stroke. Locally Sue Ryder Care is best known for the holistic care provided at Leckhampton Court Hospice.

Paul Halfpenny, Managing Director of Britannia, commented: "In this very challenging economic climate, Britannia is delighted to maintain its commitment to these vital causes. We aim to contribute to the areas in which we work and operate, whether it is offering employment, training or financial assistance."

Vance Hopkins of the James Hopkins Trust said: "On behalf of the severely disabled children we provide support to, we would like to thank Paul Halfpenny and all the staff at Britannia for their generous donation. As important as the monetary contribution is, especially in these difficult financial times, it is also pleasing to know that such a well known local company as Britannia recognises and supports the services that we as a Charity are providing to our local community."

Jo Partridge, Sue Ryder Care Fundraiser, added: "We are so grateful to Britannia for their support. Each year we at Leckhampton Court Hospice need to raise over £1m from voluntary donations to provide specialist palliative care to people from across Gloucestershire, and this is a fantastic contribution."

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