Princess Alice Hospice receives a £4,000 donation raised from crematorium metal recycling scheme!

Over the last three decades Princess Alice Hospice has received the support of the community in many different ways. Some individuals attend events, others raise sponsorship by completing sporting challenges, local and regional businesses and organizations also generously support the Hospice ensuring it can provide specialist palliative and end of life care free of charge to adult patients across Surrey, south west London and Middlesex.

Karen Whitehorn, Major Donor Manager recently met with Councillor, Mrs Denise Grant, Spelthorne Borough Council and Chairman of the South West Middlesex Crematorium Board and Teresa Kearney, Superintendent / Registrar for the South West Middlesex Crematorium.

The party visited the Hospice to hand over a cheque for £4,000, this is the second donation from the crematorium board the first being one for £8,333 donated in memory of Mr Brian Keep the former Crematorium Manager who was a patient of Princess Alice Hospice.

The donations have been given to the Hospice as part of a scheme across the UK with crematoriums in association with the ICCM, making donations to UK healthcare charities. The Middlesex crematorium is part of a recycling of metals scheme. The metals used in the construction of the coffin and metal orthopaedic joint implants can be recycled - this is only carried out with the written consent of each bereaved family, their needs are paramount to the institute and the organisations involved – and used to raise money.

The money donated to Princess Alice Hospice could fund 42 visits from a community Princess Alice Nurse to a patient in their home. The nurses work in conjunction with GPs, district nurses and healthcare providers to ensure consistency of care.

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Councillor Mrs Denise Grant, Spelthorne Borough Council and Chairman of the South West Middlesex Crematorium Board, Karen Whitehorn, Major Donor Manager, Teresa Kearney, Superintendent/Registrar for the South West Middlesex Crematorium

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Notes to Editors:

- Princess Alice Hospice is a registered charity providing specialist palliative and end of life care and advice to adult patients and their families both at the Hospice and in their homes.

- The Hospice catchment area includes Surrey, south west London, and Middlesex serving a population in excess of 1 million.

- Over £8 million is needed each year to provide these vital and much needed services, with limited NHS funding over 75% of funding must be raised through voluntary donations and fundraising.

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