

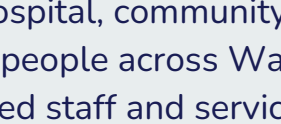
# 30 Warrington and Halton Teaching Hospitals Charity Newsletter

*"This month I'll be running seven marathons in seven days to support the incredible neonatal team at Warrington Hospital who saved my daughter's life."*

[Support Tom's challenge](#)



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## About the trust we support

On 1 April 2026, Warrington and Halton Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust joined with Bridgewater Community Healthcare NHS Foundation Trust to form North Cheshire and Mersey NHS Foundation Trust (NCM).

The new trust brings together hospital, community and out-of-hospital services, caring for more than one million people across Warrington, Halton and the wider North West. With 6,500 dedicated staff and services delivered across two hospital sites and more 70 community locations, it plays a vital role in local healthcare.

At Warrington and Halton Hospitals' Charity, we are proud to support our NHS family, enhancing care and providing those extra touches that make a real difference to patients and their loved ones.

## New Intensive Care Unit balcony opens at Warrington Hospital

Patients on the Intensive Care Unit (ICU) at Warrington Hospital are now benefiting from a peaceful outdoor balcony, made possible by a £140,000 donation from Warrington Hospital's League of Friends alongside support from WHH Charity.

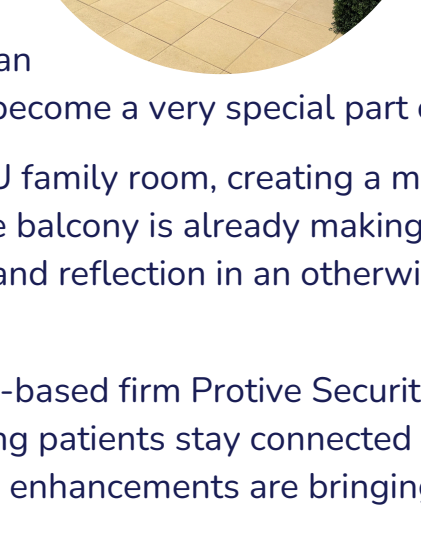
Previously, accessing outdoor space was difficult and often not possible for many critically unwell patients. Now patients can step outside directly from the unit or be safely supported outdoors in their hospital beds, allowing them to enjoy fresh air and precious time with loved ones.

Nicola Allison, nurse manager, said: "It's been wonderful to see the balcony in use and to witness the difference it is already making. Patients and families have been able to share moments together in a peaceful outdoor space that simply wasn't possible before.

"It brings a sense of calm and comfort into what can be a very intense environment, and it has quickly become a very special part of the unit."

The project also included improvements to the ICU family room, creating a more comfortable and welcoming space for visitors. The balcony is already making a real difference, offering moments of calm, connection and reflection in an otherwise intense environment.

Further support has been provided by Warrington-based firm Protive Security which kindly donated 100 recordable teddy bears, helping patients stay connected with loved ones through personal messages. Together, these enhancements are bringing comfort and compassion when it matters most.



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## Willow Tree Hub Appeal hits £128,000 thanks to community support

Our Willow Tree Hub Appeal has now raised more than £128,000, taking the campaign well beyond halfway towards its £200,000 target thanks to the incredible support of our community.

This appeal will fund a purpose-built hub at Warrington Hospital, located near the Maternity Department but separate from the clinical environment, creating a calm, private space for families experiencing baby loss and those navigating pregnancy after loss.

Support so far has been inspiring. From fundraising events to personal challenges, including the Butterfly Team's 250,000-step challenge, every effort has brought us closer to making this vision a reality. A generous £65,227 donation from Buckley Street Independent Methodist Church has also provided a significant boost.

Sarah Nuttie, consultant midwife at Warrington Hospital, said: "The Willow Tree Hub will have a profound impact on the care we are able to provide. Having a dedicated, compassionate space away from the clinical setting will allow families the privacy, dignity and support they need at an incredibly vulnerable time. This hub will make a lasting difference to how families experience care following baby loss or during a pregnancy after loss."

With your continued support, we can reach our target and support families when they need it most.

[Read more about the appeal](#)



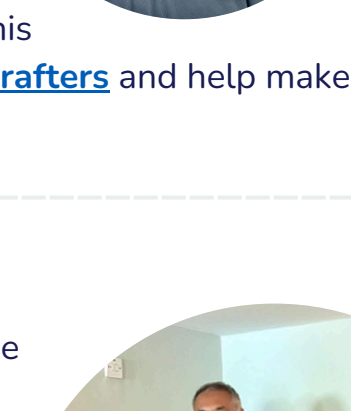
## Handmade gifts full of care

A remarkable 93 handmade baby sets have been lovingly created and donated for our patients, each one including blankets, jackets, hats, mittens and booties.

These beautiful gifts will bring warmth, comfort and a deeply personal touch to families welcoming a new arrival.

Our amazing community of crafters have also been busy spreading Easter joy by knitting charming little characters to hold chocolate eggs. These delightful creations were sold in support of WHH Charity and raised an incredible £1,738 for our hospitals. The creativity, kindness and dedication behind every handmade character helped make this Easter extra special while supporting patients, families and staff across our hospitals.

If you enjoy knitting and would like to support patients in this special way, you can join our community of [WHH Charity crafters](#) and help make a difference with every stitch.



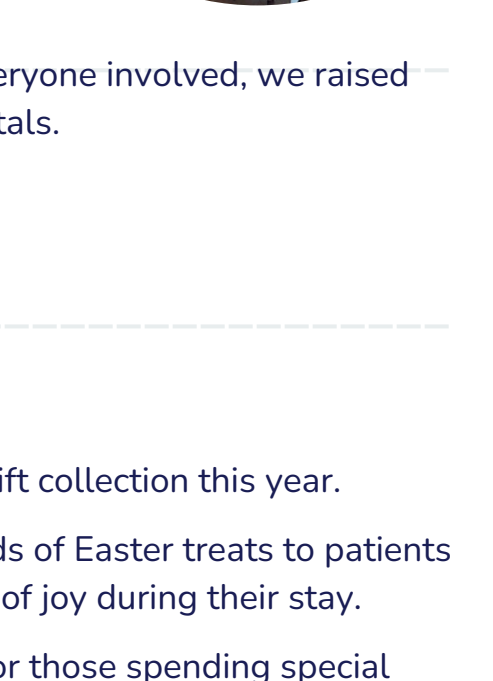
## 30 hours of cycling for 30 years

A fantastic 30-hour cycle marathon took place at the Village Hotel Club in Warrington, bringing together staff, local businesses and members of our amazing community in support of WHH Charity.

Two bikes were set up in the gym, with riders taking turns throughout the challenge after our chief executive, Nikhil Khashu, proudly kicked off the event.

The 30-hour challenge was held to celebrate a very special milestone as this year marks our 30th birthday, celebrating three decades of supporting our local community.

Thanks to the incredible generosity and determination of everyone involved, we raised £341 to help support patients and services across our hospitals.



[Take on the 30 for 30 challenge](#)

## Easter smiles across our hospitals

Thank you to everyone who supported our Easter egg and gift collection this year. Thanks to your kindness, we were able to distribute hundreds of Easter treats to patients across our hospitals, bringing smiles, comfort and a little bit of joy during their stay.

Moments like these can make all the difference, especially for those spending special occasions away from home, and we are so grateful to everyone who helped make it happen.



## Celebrate 30 years with WHH Charity

This year, our [charity turns 30](#) and we would love you to be part of the celebration.

Take on our [30 for 30 Challenge](#) and turn your passion into impact. Whether it's 30 miles, 30 days of activity or something completely unique, every challenge helps support patients, families and NHS staff.

Looking for something fun and competitive? Gather your team and join us for the [Dragon Boat Race](#) on Monday 31 August at Warrington Rowing Club. Expect energy, teamwork and plenty of laughter as you race for a great cause.

Or step up to the start line at the [Warrington Running Festival](#) on Sunday 20 September and join our team for an unforgettable day. Whether you choose the 10K or half marathon, you'll be part of an inspiring event. Starting and finishing at the iconic golden gates at Warrington Town Hall, this closed-road, flat route is perfect for chasing a personal best.

Every step, every stroke and every challenge helps us go further for patients and families when they need it most. Join us and be part of something special.



## How you can help

There are many ways to show your support – from fundraising and events to volunteering.

Every contribution is truly appreciated.

[Get involved](#)

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