

# NEWS RELEASE

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## Big Thank you from Dougie Mac !!

Since the launch of the Douglas Macmillan Hospice “ Please Give Now” Campaign a couple of weeks ago, the general public have been very generous in donating items at each of our 13 shops the Hospice has within North Staffordshire.

Yvonne Colclough, Retail Operations Manager said ;

“ We have been able to increase our stock substantially in all our shops due to the generosity of so many people . This has led to an increase in sales ,thus raising invaluable funds for the Hospice at a time when the Hospice has seen a significant decrease in donations in the first quarter of the financial year. Please continue to support us in this way ,by donating such as Clothing, Bric-a Brac , Furniture, Books , CD’s and Videos .

Unfortunately ,we cannot accept any electrical goods.”

### **Photo opportunity: who where and when**

**At any one of our Shops within N. Staffs –please contact Fundraising Dept on 01782 344304 to make arrangements .**

### **NOTES TO EDITORS**

1. Douglas Macmillan Hospice provides specialist palliative care for adults across North Staffordshire who face cancer and other life-limiting illnesses
2. Care is provided at the Hospice and in people’s homes across the community.

3. The Hospice is independent (it receives no funding from any national charity) and has no association with any organisation bearing the same or a similar name.
4. It costs over £7 million each year to run and develop the full range of services from the Hospice. More than two thirds of money comes from local voluntary donations.

For quotes and comments on behalf of Douglas Macmillan Hospice, contact in the first instance should be made through Peter Keller on 01782 344303