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Hanley Hospice Charity Shop – End of an Era

When the lease on the hospice charity shop in Piccadilly Hanley ended in December, Douglas Macmillan Hospice closed its doors on this shop for the very last time.. This was the hospices first shop in 1993 and now 14 other shops have been opened since across North Staffordshire.

Yvonne Colclough , Retail Operations Manager said ;

“We would like to thank all our customers and supporters who donated goods and shopped with us over the last 15 years. We have also been fortunate to have the support of many volunteers, who have worked in the shop over this time too. We have raised a lot of money over the years for the hospice – thank you to everyone - together we have made the shop a great success.

Please do continue to support us and shop with us, we have a great range of Christmas Cards in all shops or go online www.dmhospice.org.uk

Please take your donations to any of our other Shops, our Hanford Shop is open until 7.00 pm and is open every Sunday from 11.00am – 4.00pm.

We also have shops in Alsager, Biddulph , Cheadle , Chesterton , Kidsgrove, Leek , Longton , Meir , Newcastle , Silverdale , Stoke and Tunstall .

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 form the Hospice. More than two thirds of money comes from local voluntary donations.

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