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## LADIES PREPARE FOR MIDNIGHT WALK.

Hundreds of ladies are preparing to take part in the Douglas Macmillan Hospice Midnight to Sunrise Walk ,which takes place this year on Friday 19<sup>th</sup> June .

The event , sponsored by Stoke City FC, Connexions & Wardle Transport begins at the Britannia Stadium at 11.00pm ,when a team of fitness instructors will warm the entrants up before the walk starts at midnight. The walk is a 10 mile circular route along the well lit,fully marshalled route that takes in Trentham ,Longton,Fenton,Leek Road,Heron Cross and returning to the Britannia Stadium .

The entry fee is £ 15 which includes a T Shirt .

Any female who wishes to take part can do so by collecting an entry form from one of the Hospice Shops or contact the Fundraising Office on 01782 344304

Last year ,this event attracted nearly 2,000 females and £198,000 was raised for the Hospice .

Zoe Hollingsworth , Senior Fundraising Development Manager said ;

“ We do hope that even more Ladies will take part in this years event and for us to raise even more money for the Hospice. This has become a very important event in our Calender & we are so grateful to our sponsors who are helping to defray the majority of our costs .”

#### **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 organization bearing the same or a similar name.
4. We need to raise over £7 million each year to help and care for around 1,650 patients each year.

For quotes and comments on behalf of the Hospice, contact in the first instance should be made through Karen Rose, Director of Fundraising on 01782 344302.