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Cygnet Hospital Bury Hosts Summer Festival

Patients, staff and loved ones at Cygnet Hospital Bury enjoyed a summer festival event, HudFest.

The event was organised by the Occupational Therapy team at the Bolton Road hospital which is run by Cygnet Health Care. The hospital provides a wide range of inpatient mental health services for men and women including specialist deaf services and Child and Adolescent Mental Health provision for adolescents.

The staff went the extra mile in planning the event and were rewarded with a wonderful day enjoyed by service users and family members, staff and invited guests.

There were inflatables, coconut shies, ball in the bucket, hook a duck, photo booths, chill out tents, a DJ tent, tombola and hydration stations. Popular as ever was the wet sponge stall, especially when a member of the finance team volunteered.

Food was courtesy of a fantastic BBQ lunch provided by the hospital kitchen staff. There was also cakes, doughnuts and an ice cream van was arranged to make the day even more special with Sibö Attley, Cygnet Health Care Clinical Service Manager, serving out ice creams to all.

Jo-Ann McAuliffe, Cygnet Health Care's Deputy Director of Nursing was one of many special guests for the day and said: "After Covid lockdowns at last we are back to 'normal'. What a fantastic day to see both service users and staff take part in such a large event, it was such an amazing experience.

"The weather was on our side and the atmosphere was electric. It was a breath of fresh air to see the co-produced work for the event and to see everyone enjoying themselves together. If I hadn't have known better I would never have guessed the event was taking place in a secure setting. Well done to all who organised and attended. I look forward to the next event."

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About Cygnet Health Care

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Cygnet Health Care's pioneering services support people with complex and acute mental health needs across the UK.

As one of the best quality providers in mental health services in the country, Cygnet Health Care's focus is always on the best outcomes for those who use or commission its services. 85% of Cygnet's facilities are rated as good or outstanding, which is above the national average. www.cygnethealth.co.uk