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Residents and staff in Newark raise money for children's hospice

Staff from a residential service in Newark have raised hundreds of pounds for a local charity which supports children and young people with a serious or terminal illness.

Rainbows Hospice supports over 400 babies, children and young people living with life-limiting and life-threatening conditions in the East Midlands. They support every baby, child and young person to fulfil their potential, and help families make the most of every precious moment, while capturing memories and keepsakes to treasure.

Birches, part of the Cygnet Social Care division, have been fundraising for the charity and this week met up with staff to present a cheque for £400. The service is a six-bed specialist residential home for adults with autism and learning disabilities

Hayley Rogers, Cygnet Social Care Service Manager for Birches, was accompanied by Mark, Deputy Manager, and one of the Birches residents when she handed over the cheque.

The amount had been raised from a Christmas Market that took place late last year and which was supported by a number of Cygnet Social Care services in the East Midlands.

After visiting Rainbows Hospice, Hayley said: "All I can say is wow, what an incredible place it is. It's so friendly and inviting. A really lovely place for children and families to spend their time.

"We really care about the communities in which our Cygnet Health Care and Cygnet Social Care services sit and we try to make a positive difference to the lives of not only our residents and their loved ones, but our communities too. This charity is an incredibly worthwhile cause and I am so proud that we were able to contribute in some small way to the fantastic, life-changing work they do."

Clare Wainwright, Community Fundraiser with Rainbows, said: "We'd like to say a huge thank you to everyone for fundraising for Rainbows. We really do appreciate all the hard work that goes into fundraising.

- "Thank you so much to Cygnet Social Care for raising an amazing £400. That is an incredible amount.
- "Their support really does mean the world to us and all the families we support at Rainbows not only in Nottinghamshire but across the East Midlands.

"We really do appreciate Cygnet Social Care thinking of Rainbows."

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