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Care Residents Raise Nearly £1,000 for Newark Hospice

A care service which support adults with severe learning disabilities and autism has raised nearly £1,000 for a Newark hospice by hosting a festive market.

Broughton House, a 29 bed specialist residential service for adults with severe learning disabilities and autism, hosted a Christmas Market event at their Lincolnshire site to raise money for a local Newark hospice, Beaumond House.

They were joined by Cygnet Social Care services from across the Midlands to enjoy all of the festivities.

A nativity scene was created by the residents and staff teams at Broughton House, which was placed at the beginning of the driveway to welcome people on arrival.

The stalls sold various items, including sweets, hot chocolate-making kits, arts and crafts, Christmas-themed items and delicious cakes. The team also held a tombola and raffle with prizes to be won, including hampers of goodies. The day finished with a visit to Santa's grotto.

Catherine Ball, Regional Manager for Social Care in the Midlands said: "It meant so much to us to be able to not only enjoy the festivities, but to raise money for such a worthwhile cause. We know that Beaumond House is an astonishing place which delivers the most incredible care.

"Although Christmas can be an uplifting time of year, for so many who are receiving palliative care, and their families, it can be incredibly difficult. We wanted to do our small bit to try and make a difference.

"It is so nice to see everyone at these events come together. Although our jobs can be stressful, it reminds us all that this is why we do what we do, to give people the best experiences we can.

"Many of our service users would not be able to tolerate going to a busy event in the community, so the idea was born to bring a market to them. "The team hope to continue the event each year now as it is thoroughly enjoyed by the people they support and staff teams."

Overall, the Christmas Markets raised £851.34 for the hospice which provides supportive palliative care to patients and their families living in Newark and Sherwood.

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