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Yorkshire Mental Health Patients' Coffee Fundraiser for Cancer Charity

Staff and service users at a mental health service in Barnsley brewed up support with coffee and cakes to raise funds for a cancer charity.

Cygnet Oaks, a 35-bed high support inpatient rehabilitation (level 2) service for men, recently hosted a coffee morning fundraiser for Macmillan.

The charity provides emotional, financial, practical and physical support to people living with cancer. Macmillan also offers vital cancer services as well as researches and campaigns to achieve better cancer care.

The Cygnet Health Care service, located on Upper Sheffield Road, raised £81 for the charity by selling coffee, tea and cakes made by staff.

Eve Wawrosz, Activity Coordinator at Cygnet Oaks, said: "It was a great event. Our staff, service users and visitors were able to relax and enjoy an impressive spread of sweet treats for a good cause. The atmosphere was warm and full of community spirit as everyone mingled over slices of cake.

"It was so meaningful seeing staff and service users unite in supporting a cause close to many of our hearts. Macmillan is such an important charity that has really impacted the lives of numerous colleagues and some of the individuals we support.

"The charity helps to break down the walls around talking about cancer and mental health together, it makes it easier for people to admit they're struggling. We wanted to give something back to the charity as they not only offer support for those affected by cancer, but also their loved ones."

The Cygnet Health Care service decorated the site in the iconic Macmillan green with bunting and provided information about the charity for people to read as they tucked into a treat or two.

Eve said: "Fundraisers like this are really important to those we support as well as staff and visitors. Mental health can be incredibly lonely and these events give people an opportunity to connect, which is everything to people struggling.

"At Cygnet Health Care, we think it's important to raise awareness and get people talking about mental health wherever we can."