

Charitable Funds Committee Summary

The Board is asked to **RECEIVE** and **NOTE** the Committee Chair's report of the 3-4 issues/key points from the meeting which are needed to be escalated to the Board

Key points from the meeting held on 14th February 2020	
Investment and Funds Activity 1st April – 31st January 2020	
<p>The committee received an update of the Trust's charitable income and expenditure for the period 1st April 2019 – 31st January 2020 as well as the performance of its charitable investments during this time. The charity had received donations and legacies of £603,000 whilst it had spent £517,000 on charitable activities. The available balance was £1.789,125.</p> <p>A discussion took place about the need to reduce the overall charitable fund balance and agreed that this should become a key focus for the committee. It was acknowledged that a strategy was in place to do this, including work taking place with Fund Advisors who were being asked to present their expenditure plans to the committee. It should be noted however that the spend rate had actually increased but there had been a higher level of donations compared to the same period last year.</p>	
<i>Level of assurance provided:</i> High	<i>Direction of travel:</i> Improving
Consolidation of Charitable Funds	
<p>A review of the 105 charitable funds which cover both services and wards across RSH and PRH with a view to consolidation had taken place. This would provide greater clarity of SaTH Charity's fund structure and reduce some administration relating to fund management and processing. Communication with areas most impacted by the proposed changes had taken place and further discussions were planned.</p>	
<i>Level of assurance provided:</i> High	<i>Direction of travel:</i> Improving
Charity Update November 2019 – January 2020	
<p>An update on the SaTH Charity for the period November 2019 – January 2020 was received. Income for the period was £244,853, compared to the same period last year of £96,419.</p> <p>The committee noted the excellent fundraising initiatives which had taken place, both within the Trust and by external organisations. The Trust was particularly keen to develop links/raise awareness in the east of the county.</p> <p>Consideration to be given to publicising these achievements more widely.</p>	
<i>Level of assurance provided:</i> High	<i>Direction of travel:</i> Same
Requests for Expenditure	
<p>The committee ratified the following requests for expenditure:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Carers Information Hub, PRH – Feasibility Study - £1,200.00 Phase 3 of the haematology expansion work to create consultation outpatient clinic room - £20,455.30 	
<i>Level of assurance provided:</i> High	<i>Direction of travel:</i> Same

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SaTH Charity update

Spring 2020



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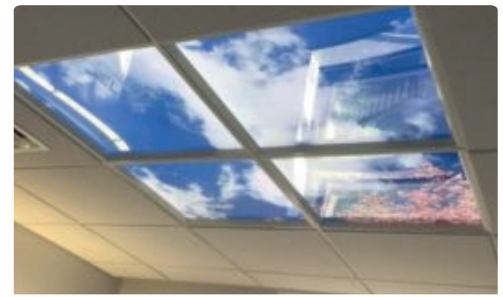
Your Gifts

April to December 2019 our Charity has benefited from income totalling £440,000 - and all thanks to fundraising efforts, donations made in memory of loved ones, or to say thank you for care; as well as legacies we've been gifted and returns on our investments



Make a difference

At the end of December we had £1.698 million available in our charitable fund accounts - after spending £491,932 since the start of the financial year. We've also committed to spend a further £529,044 on a variety of bids our staff have brought forward.



To our Patients

In the last few months we've bought ceiling light panels to brighten the day for patients as they approach the end of their life. Over £12,000 on wheelchairs, supported the creation of garden spaces, refurbished medical rooms, and purchased patient monitoring equipment, nebulisers, drip stands and Sepsis trolleys to aid quick diagnosis, Bereavement Suite furniture and accessories. Charitable funds purchased the Christmas lunch extras for patients.



And our Staff

We've provided our new doctors with improved accommodation to attract them to our hospitals, refitted doctor's rest areas to ensure their downtime gives them the respite needed. We've recognised colleagues who've committed 20, 30 and 40 years to the NHS - through long service awards and we've invested in conference and education course fees. microwaves, fridges, kettles and toasters have been purchased for staff rooms around our Trust.



Give the gift

Our top five donations this financial year include three legacies from local people - who gifted more than £193,000 so that our Charity can continue its good work. We also received £6,500 from a local businessman who wanted to recognise the excellent care he had received which had saved his life. Telford Council's NHS appeal which provided funds and donations to improve the working conditions for our junior doctors.



To show you care

Your donations mean we can go above and beyond - offering more than what might be possible through 'normal NHS funding'. We need you and your support - and with your help we'll be able to give even more patients and staff the gift of excellent care, services and facilities. Thank you.

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