

## **Cheshire & North Wales assist Hope House in raising £619,000.**

On Sunday 19 November Hope House and Tŷ Gobaith Children's Hospices launched their Final Moments Matter campaign, with a target to raise £550,000. Everything donated within a 36 hour period would be doubled through local business support.

Red Castle Consistory, meeting at Wrexham, had already agreed to donate £750, which would be doubled to generate £1,500, whilst Tony Stringer, Provincial Grand Supreme Ruler of the Order of the Secret Monitor, topped up the donation to be worth a total of £2,000.

All contributions raised a total of £619,733, which will pay for the end-of-life care for every family at the Hospices for 2024, a remarkable fundraising effort and a big weight of the minds of the Trustees of two children's hospices.

The total of £1,500 donated by Red Castle Consistory will fund one family for one day, demonstrating not only the value of our donation but the total value of everyone's donation over the 36 hour period.

Cat Dowdeswell, fundraiser for Hope House Hospice, said "At Hope House and Tŷ Gobaith Children's Hospices, we know that Final Moments Matter and that the last moments of a child's life should be as precious as their first. With your help, we will make sure that every local child and family gets the very best end of life care and support, whenever and wherever they need it."

Not only do these two organisations provide care for the child, they also provide love and endearing memories for their families.

Hope House Hospice is based on Oswestry, Shropshire, whilst Tŷ Gobaith overlooks the Conwy Valley in North Wales.

The Cheshire & North Wales Order of the Secret Monitor has twice recently supported both Hospices for our annual fundraising efforts.

We are delighted to join with The Ancient and Masonic Order of the Scarlet Cord to continue to support this cause.



*Pictured:*

*John Thomson, Deputy Provincial Grand Summus, Scarlet Cord;*

*Rodney Stokes, President, Red Castle Consistory;*

*Cat Dowdeswell, Fundraiser, Hope House Hospice;*

*Tony Stringer, Provincial Grand Supreme Ruler, Order of the Secret Monitor;*

*Peter Butler, Chairman, Maesgwyn Hall, Wrexham.*

*Tony Stringer*