

The St John's Hospice Wills Week - Monday 4th February to Friday 8th February 2019



Dear Supporter

Thank you for your interest in St John's Hospice Wills Week and for requesting this information pack.

For the staff here and for the local community the St John's Hospice Wills Week is a very important week. Our Wills Week means that you have the opportunity to have a professionally drafted will arranged, giving you peace of mind that your wishes will be met after you die.

Thanks to a partnership with a number of valued local law firms, solicitors can help you write or change your will quickly and inexpensively, during the St John's Hospice Will Week. These local solicitors provide their time and services to you free of charge and in return for a professionally prepared will, we would be very grateful for a donation to St John's Hospice. How much you donate is entirely your decision, as a guide (that reflects local prices) our suggestion is £150 for a single basic will or £200 for a pair of basic mirror wills. Naturally if your will is complex, you and your solicitor can agree a separate fee for additional work outside of the St John's Hospice Wills Week.

To help you prepare for making a will we have enclosed an information pack, which includes:

- St John's Hospice Wills Week commonly asked questions leaflet including a list of partner solicitors and a helpful glossary of terms
- A donation envelope
- Responses to commonly asked questions about wills
- A "Leaving a Gift in your Will" leaflet - naturally you do not have to leave a gift to St John's Hospice in your will, if you do decide to we will be extremely grateful; gifts in wills act as a legacy for future care and support

Next steps:

If you have chosen to go ahead with your will or will amendment you need to choose a solicitor from the enclosed list of partner solicitors. Just telephone your chosen solicitor directly to make an appointment during the St John's Hospice Will Week. **Remember to say it's a St John's Hospice Will Week appointment.**

Once your will has been arranged and signed your solicitor will ask you if you would like to make a donation for the completed work to St John's Hospice. By enclosing a cheque or bank details using the donation envelope enclosed, you can be rest assured your donation will go towards providing outstanding palliative care to our patients in our local community.

If you have any questions you can telephone: **01524 382538** or email giftsinwills@sjhospice.org.uk

Thank you for supporting St John's Hospice by considering St John's Hospice Wills Week.

With very best wishes from me, the staff, volunteers and everyone here at St John's Hospice.

Sue McGraw
Chief Executive