

## About Willowbrook

### Learn more about Willowbrook Hospice as an organisation

Willowbrook Hospice is an Independent Charity, which was set up in 1997 to run a Specialist Palliative Care Unit. The Hospice is governed by a Board of Trustees and run on a day to day basis by a Chief Executive and a management team.

The clinical team is led by a Medical Director who is responsible for delivering three main services, the In-patient, DayTherapy and Out Patient services. Although approximately 95% of our patients have cancer we treat other life limiting diseases such as Motor Neurone Disease, end stage heart Failure, respiratory diseases, renal failure.

We have 9 in-patient beds, 30 day therapy places a week and weekly out patient clinics where we care for over 750 patients a year working in partnership with the local health care community. We liaise very closely with the Hospital Specialist Palliative Care Team, the community Specialist Palliative Care team and the local Primary care teams, which includes the local GPs and district nurses.

The Hospice is situated in Prescot to serve the surrounding local communities of St Helens and Knowsley. There are 75 full and part time staff and over 250 volunteers who work for Willowbrook Hospice. The hospice could not function without the valuable contribution of our volunteers.

It costs over 2m year to run the Hospice. We are part funded by the NHS who make a contribution of approximately a third towards our running costs, which means that we have to rely on generous donations from the public and our own fundraising efforts to raise the other two thirds.

We have a Fundraising office in St Helens and a separate Trading company which runs the Willowbrook Hospice Lottery and our five Charity shops situated in St Helens, Thattoheath, Earlstown, Prescot and Rainford.

