

PRESS RELEASE

NEW HOSPICE SHOP FOR FALMOUTH

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Falmouth Mayor Mike Varney will be cutting the ribbon to officially open Cornwall Hospice Care's new shop in Boslowick Road next Wednesday (June 25, 2008)

The store will open from 9am to 5pm Monday to Saturday and is currently seeking volunteers who may wish to help for either morning or afternoon sessions.

This is the charity's second traditional style shop in the town – its other one is located in Church Street - and it also runs a successful furniture outlet in neighbouring Penryn.

Verity Barker, Retail Group Manager, said: " This is an ideal location for residents in the area who already have a wonderful shopping parade in Boslowick Road. We constantly strive to maximise the income from our retail outlets to help fund services provided by the charity. With 26 stores in towns across Cornwall, we can now offer customers a good mix of traditional as well as specialist outlets, all selling high quality items at excellent value."

All profits raised from the retail group go to help provide specialist care to patients with life threatening illnesses at the county's two hospices- Mount Edgcumbe in St. Austell and St. Julia's in Hayle - and gives support and advice to their families and loved ones.

It costs more than £5 million annually – the equivalent of £11 a minute – to provide these services and around 85 pence in every £ must be met through donations, fundraising, legacy gifts, and income from the retail outlet and the weekly lottery.

If anyone wished to volunteer at the shop please contact the manger Jan Denmead on 01326 311012.

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Note: A photocall will take place with the Mayor at 11:30am at the new shop 93 Boslowick Road, Falmouth

For further information please contact Verity Barker on 01726 66869.