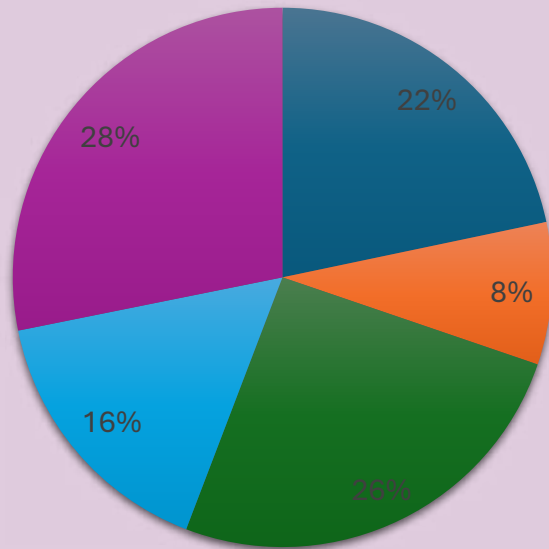


The Snowdrop appeal and the bereavement spaces refurbishment

Snowdrop Bereavement Team and
Bristol Weston Hospital Charities



Snowdrop team



■ Miscarriage
■ Termination of Pregnancy
■ Subsequent Pregnancy
■ Stillbirth
■ Neonatal Death/Palliative Care

Snowdrop team was created in March 2023 and officially launched in June 2023.

Since then, we have increased our hours and expanded our team.

We have cared for 387 families in total.

This works out on average a referral to our team every 1.5 days.

We support families across Gynaecology, Maternity and the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit.

Bristol & Weston Hospitals Charity

- Since 1974, BWHC have stood proudly beside University Hospitals Bristol and Weston NHS Foundation Trust.
- They've raised over £109 million to improve the health and happiness of every patient cared for by the ten hospitals in Bristol city centre, South Bristol and Weston-Super-Mare.



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Timeline

START

- Initial application for a lightbox in Lavender Suite

GRANT

- Expansion to a full grant of £55,000

SPACES

- A total of 8 bereavement spaces chosen across St Michael's and Weston hospitals

COMPLETION

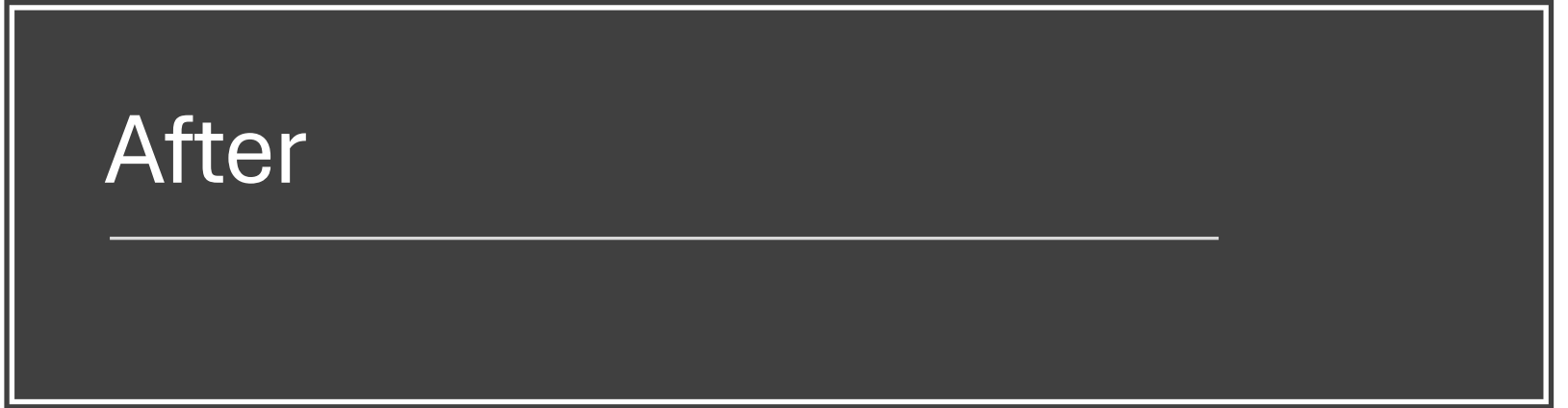
- Completion of the project in Baby Loss Awareness Week 2024

EXPANSION

- Onto the next project supported by BWHC and SANDS to complete our memory making room

Before





Snowdrop Appeal

A sensitive and small fundraising appeal was launched by BWHC.

A total of £43, 500 was raised for the Snowdrop appeal

Parents and families continue to raise money to further improve our spaces and service.

The end of the appeal linked in with Baby Loss Awareness Week where the charity lit up the skies above St Michael's in memory of all babies who have died.

JC Decaux also changed all their screens in the centre of Bristol to a single candle for the Wave of Light at 7pm on the 15th October.



Baby Loss Awareness Week



Feedback

- **"The difference this appeal has made for our snowdrop families is huge. When they're going through one of the worst possible experiences in their life, they'll have spaces and environments where they can spend time together or make positive memories as a family that will last forever." *Snowdrop team***

"The Lavender suite was such an important place for us to be able to stay. Our family were able to visit, we had a small naming ceremony and most importantly we were able to spend time being parents even though our baby had died." (Parents of a stillborn baby).

"We decided not to see our baby after we delivered but then changed our mind once we were home. The Snowdrop team brought us to the Rosemary room so we could see our baby. We gave her cuddles, took photos and made some memories. We are so glad to have been able to do this." (Parents of a baby delivered following a miscarriage).

"It feels that we can support parents better now by giving them options to stay in a quiet and comforting area. We have the space to do memory making with them and for the Doctors to come have conversations with them." (Staff member).

Thank you. Any Questions?

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