

FIFE MACMILLAN IMPROVING THE CANCER JOURNEY

Macmillan Cancer Support and The Fife Health and Social Care Partnership have launched a new £1.1million service across the region to make sure cancer patients across the area can access all the help they need.

Through working with a range of partners the new service will mean every newly diagnosed cancer patient in Fife will be sent a letter offering a meeting with a dedicated one-to-one support worker. The worker will then help the patient access a wide range of support, from benefits advice and emotional support to help at home or with other practical needs.

We want to make sure everyone in Fife with cancer has someone to call on for help, no matter what they need.

LIVING WITH CANCER IN FIFE

The Fife Macmillan Improving the Cancer Journey service has been developed to support people across Fife who are affected by cancer. Cancer doesn't just affect your physical wellbeing, it can impact on every aspect of your life and the lives of those around you. But knowing where to turn for support isn't always easy.

The good news is that advances in treatment mean more people than ever are surviving cancer. Yet it also means people diagnosed with cancer are living longer, often with long-term effects of treatment or other health conditions that can have a huge impact on health, wellbeing and independence.

HOW FIFE ICJ CAN HELP

The new service will mean every newly diagnosed cancer patient in Fife will be sent a letter offering a meeting with a dedicated one-to-one support worker. At the meeting patients can discuss their specific needs and receive tailored information and support.

Patients can talk to about they feel, get help with money and housing worries or help at home – whatever matters most to them.

This dedicated support of a named professional worker to everyone using the service will help ensure that individuals living with and beyond cancer can live as well and as independently as possible.

CONTACT FIFE ICJ

The project is open to everyone aged 18 and over living with cancer regardless of their cancer type or where they live in Fife.

To find out more about the Improving the Cancer Journey service call 01592 578 076 or Improving.CancerJourney@fife.gov.uk

