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Dear Karen & Stephen,

Words cannot express our gratitude for the kind and incredibly generous donation of £2,200 from East Lancashire Masonic Charity, which we recently received.

Your donation will enable the charity to produce a series of informative video content for our website. The content will also be used on our social media channels and where appropriate shown at events.

The videos will feature several of our scientific and clinical experts and they will cover a range of widely searched topics including breast cancer risk factors, the importance of breast screening and an explanation of absolute and relative risk.

The content will be filmed over the coming weeks and we aim to have the final edits ready in June. As soon as they are available, I shall share them with.

As you can imagine, the past 12 months have been particularly challenging for the charity, but your donation will enable the charity to move forward and it will help us to meet our short, medium and long-term objectives. Which are as follows: -

Short-term

In the short term this means focusing our efforts to ensure that the charity can continue to survive. We need to sustain the services we provide at the Nightingale Centre – our coffee bar remains open to NHS staff and patients, providing a much-needed service. Furthermore, the Prevent Breast Cancer Team is working tirelessly to ensure critical activity continues, this includes health promotion on and offline, creating and implementing novel fundraising campaigns, writing applications to funders and planning future activity, which is vital if we are to meet our medium and long-term objectives.

Medium-term

We need to help get the NHS breast screening programme up and running again, as soon as possible. For the hundreds of women attending our family history clinic, and for women of all at-risk age groups across the whole population, and for those who need post breast cancer check-ups. This involves training more breast imaging experts, and this is our primary focus for 2021.

Long-term

We urgently need a National Breast Imaging Academy to train more breast cancer doctors, nurses, radiographers and other apprentices to rebuild breast cancer teams across the country, and to fulfil our vision that a step change in breast cancer screening, early diagnosis and prevention strategies in the future could make breast cancer preventable for the next generation.

Thank you once again to East Lancashire Masonic Charity for your incredible support.

Kindest Regards,

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