## PENGUINS AGAINST CANCER

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The Royal Marsden Cancer Charity Fulham Road London SW3 6JJ



Kicking Cancer Into Touch!

Dear Royal Marsden Cancer Charity,

31st October 2025

We are electronically transferring a Grant of £5,000 from Penguins Against Cancer (PAC) to you, to be spent specifically on Thymus Cancer Research. The Grant, proposed by Liz Armitage and Charlie Gush, is in memory of their dear friend Ali Eddy who tragically died of metastatic Thymic Cancer last year, 2 weeks after her 51<sup>st</sup> birthday, and just 18 months after being diagnosed. She was expertly managed under Professor Popat and his team. We would like you to acknowledge Ali as the inspiration behind this grant.

Ali's husband Ben, a Guy's Hospital RFC player and medical graduate met Ali during his training and they were married for 23 years, raising 3 marvellous children. Ali grew up in Cornwall and was a truly special person, kind, social and a fantastic mum. Ben is clear that rare cancers such as Thymus (which make up over 20% of cancers diagnosed) are currently under-researched. Although Ali was managed very well at the Marsden, treatment options are still limited.

This Grant was made possible following hugely successful fundraising by the 43 strong Penguin Peloton, ranging in age from 18 to 68, on their cycle ride from Guys Hospital to Guys Hospital via Brittany and Normandy over 4 days from 23<sup>rd</sup> to 26<sup>th</sup> May 2025, covering over 340 miles.

PAC exists to raise cancer awareness, and to provide support to cancer research and treatment, and hospices. It has no running or administrative expenses (all costs being met by PAC Members) and has many students studying at Guy's Hospital as active supporters. Please feel free to visit our website **www.penguinsagainstcancer.org.uk** and let us know what you think.

We wish you continuing success in the excellent work you are doing. We would be most grateful if you would write back to us confirming receipt of the grant and indicating how it will be spent. Please feel free to send your response as an attachment, via email to penguinsagainstcancer@outlook.com, as we would like to publish it on our website.

Yours sincerely,

**Charlie Beardmore** 

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President

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On behalf of the Trustees, Officers and Members of Penguins Against Cancer.

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