

HOSPICE BOOST FROM MASONIC CHARITIES

St Catherine's Hospice received a welcome Christmas boost when the Freemasons' Grand Charity donated more than £2,500. The cheque for £2,628 was presented to hospice fundraiser Penny Campbell at Scarborough Masonic Hall, as part of the Grand Charity Hospice Grant Scheme.

Mrs Campbell said: "We are very grateful for their support and for thinking of us at this time of year. We appreciate them choosing us as one of the charities to benefit from their generous work."

The scheme distributes grants to services that receive no more than 60 per cent of their funding from the NHS and contributes to the millions of pounds needed by hospices every year to enable them to offer the best quality of life to people in the final stages of incurable illnesses.

President of the Masonic Grand Charity, Grahame Elliott, said: "For many years, Freemasons have recognised the importance of the care provided by the hospice movement"



Bro Peter Stephenson, Master of St Nicholas Lodge No 2586, accompanied by Geoff Salter who represented the Provincial Grand Master, hands over a cheque to hospice fundraiser Penny Campbell.