

Hospice UK Fundraising Leaders Conference 2026

Thursday 2 July 2026

Conference Aston, Birmingham

Drinks reception: Wednesday 1 July, 19:30 - 21:00

- Informal networking to meet your peers ahead of the conference

08:30	Registration, exhibition and refreshments
08:45 - 09:15 (30 mins)	Sponsored Breakfast session - Streamlining processes in fundraising <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Stefen Fowler, Growth Manager, Social Sync - Ben Collins, Chief Operating Officer, Social Sync
09:30 - 09:40 (10 mins)	Welcome and introduction <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Paul Courtney, Director of Fundraising, Children's Hospice South West - Catherine Bosworth, Director of Income Generation and Grants, Hospice UK
09:40 - 10:10 (30 mins)	Session 1 - Reflections as a leader Speaker: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Kevin Clements, CEO, EACH children's hospice
10:10 - 10:55 (45 mins)	Session 2 - Hospice Collaboration - panel discussion Speakers: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Howerd Booth, Regional Director, Lancashire South Cumbria - Hospices Together - Anna Cooper, Director of Fundraising, Communications and Marketing, North London Hospice - Another speaker to be confirmed - TBC
10:55 - 11:25 (30 mins)	Morning Refreshments and exhibition
11:25 - 12:10	Session 3 - Decision Science

(45 mins)	<p>Speaker:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Bernard Ross, Fundraising Consultant 	
5 minute move		
12:15 - 12:45 (30 mins)	<p>Session 4A - Why you should invest in your corporate fundraising now</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - TBC 	<p>Session 4B - Getting the most from your retail</p> <p>Speaker:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Andrew Keen, Director of Retail, Trinity Hospice - Retail Consortium
12:45 - 13:45 (60 mins)	Lunch & Exhibition	
13:45 - 14:30 (45 mins)	<p>Session 5 - Changing face of Grants Funding - Panel discussion</p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Laura Serratrice, Chief Executive, James Tudor - Martina Nertney, Grants Manager, St James' Place Foundation - Another speaker to be confirmed - TBC 	
14:30 - 15:00 (30 mins)	<p>Headline sponsor session - ForGood Tech</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - TBC 	
5 minute move		
15:05 - 15:45 (40 mins)	<p>Session 6A - Building the next generation of Fundraising Leaders (for existing leaders, how do you nurture talent in your teams)</p> <p>Speaker:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Helena Sharpstone MCIPD, Director, Sharpstone Skinner 	<p>Session 6B - How to support our fundraisers with professional grief</p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Lucy Carpenter, Compassionate Employers Lead, Hospice UK - Srinder Singh, Bereavement Care and Voluntary Services Lead, Sobell & Katharine House Hospices
15:45 - 16:15 (30 mins)	Refreshments and exhibition	
16:15 - 17:00 (45 mins)	<p>Session 7 - Bridging the funding gap - panel discussion</p> <p>Speakers:</p>	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Charlie King, Director of External Affairs, Hospice UK - Jeremy Lune, CEO, Prospect Hospice - Polly Balsom, Associate Director of Communications and Engagement, Royal Trinity Hospice
17:00 - 17:30 (30 mins)	Session 8 - Positive impact of hospice care Speakers: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Moin Younis, Ambassador of Acorns Hospice & Pride of Britain Winner 2017 - Toby Porter, CEO, Hospice UK
17:30 - 17:35 (5 mins)	Final thoughts & Conference Close