

# Cabmen's Shelter Fundraiser Day at Russell Square Raises £3,100 for Children's Charity

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On Friday 29<sup>th</sup> June, the London Taxi Drivers' Fund for Underprivileged Children (LTFUC) committee members made their way up to Russell Square for the fundraising day which was being held by Katie Simmonds who has run the cabmen's shelter for the last four years.

All food and drink on the day could only be purchased by donation with all proceeds going to the charity and some of London's finest taxi drivers also gave their support on the day by donating their tips and helping to spread the word about the good work that the charity does to help disadvantaged children.

The day was a great success with £3,100 being raised by donations and tips.

Katie dressed up for the occasion in her wonder woman outfit and her partner in crime Jude looked the part as cat woman as they served the their regulars and new customers. The decorated bunny taxi caught the eye of many passing tourists who could not resist having their photograph taken with it.

As luck would have it, Gary Oldman was filming nearby and Katie kindly asked if he would have his picture taken to support the charity and the wonderful work they do... and he said yes!

Michael Son, BEM, the Fund's Honorary Chairman commented "*You can't top that! Sincere thanks to everyone who took part in this successful fundraising day. We hope to do it all again next year. Watch this space!*"

## About the Cabmen's Shelter Fund

The Cabmen's Shelter Fund was established in 1875 to run shelters for the drivers of hansom cabs and later hackney carriages.

Between 1875 and 1914, 61 Cabmen's Shelters were constructed. Today, only a few working shelters remain, they are all Grade II listed buildings and they are all still run by the Cabmen's Shelter Fund.

The LTFUC was founded in 1928 in the Cabmen's Shelter when it was located in Leicester Square, before being moved to Russell Square some decades ago!

To find out more about the LTFUC please visit [www.ltfuc.org.uk](http://www.ltfuc.org.uk)

To donate online to the LTFUC please visit <https://www.ltfuc.org.uk/donate/>

## About the LTFUC

Established in 1928, run voluntary by London Taxi Drivers, the LTFUC enriches the lives of disadvantaged children through fundraising and hosting functions and events throughout the year. Throughout its 90 year history, the LTFUC have provided essential funding for the purchase of recreational, technology and mobility equipment for children, schools and hospices.

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