Children’s hospice at home charity Jessie May are delighted to announce their new CEO will be Daniel Cheesman

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Daniel joins Jessie May following 3 years at disability charity Paul’s Place, stepping into the role after current CEO, Chris Roys, announced his intentions to retire after 17 years at the helm.

Daniel is relishing the opportunity to take on a new challenge; “Jessie May has been providing children and families with vital emotional support, end of life care and bereavement support for over 25 years and the work of the trust is as important now as it has always been.

I am excited to be starting as Jessie May’s CEO, taking over from Chris Roys who has faithfully led the charity for 17 years. I am honoured to be joining a committed and passionate team and look forward to working to fulfil the charities strategy over the next few years - supporting more families, through innovative new projects and expanding the geographical reach of the trust.”

The decision of appointing a new CEO to lead Jessie May was not an easy one.

Tiggy Atkinson, Chair of Trustees, was a key part of the process; “We are all incredibly grateful to Chris, who has devotedly led the team for the past 17 years. Through his drive and commitment, we are now able to offer our services of providing exceptional hospice care in the home to so many more children and families who need us than when he joined us back in 2005, and he has created a real legacy, which we will drive forward. We would like to sincerely thank Chris for all his efforts, and we wish him a very happy retirement.

Looking ahead, we are incredibly excited to welcome Daniel to Jessie May. His key focus will be helping us implement our new strategy over the coming years, which includes developing our existing service offer and also influencing the national children’s palliative care agenda. During the interview process Daniel demonstrated such passion for the work Jessie May does and we all look forward to working closely with him when he joins us in August.”

Daniel will be joining Jessie May in August, closely supported by the entire team and Board of Directors as he settles in his new role.

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