

## Harrison Centre for Social Mobility donates £8,000 to The Sick Children's Trust

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The Sick Children's Trust has received a donation of £8,000 from the Harrison Centre for Social Mobility (HCSM).

The donation will go towards supporting families with seriously ill children at Freeman Hospital, by giving them a place to stay at Scott House run by The Sick Children's Trust. Specifically, this money will go towards new amenities at the 'Home from Home' including washing and drying machines.

Scott House is one of ten 'Homes from Home' run by The Sick Children's Trust, supporting families with seriously ill children in hospital with free accommodation. **Scott House Manager, Linsey Brough, said:**

"When a family is told that they have a place to stay at Scott House, we visible see the relief on their faces. Knowing that they have a place to stay just minutes from their child's bedside, and can cook meals, wash their clothes and carry on with a little bit of normality makes such a difference.

"As a charity, it costs us £30 to support a family for one night and we rely entirely on voluntary donations and the support from local businesses, trusts and foundations, continue to support families. We'd like to say a huge thank you to The Harrison Centre for Social Mobility for choosing to support us."

North East businessman David Harrison founded the Harrison Centre for Social Mobility in 2017 to help young people and charities based in the North East of England. Over £200,000 has been handed out since the HCSM was launched.

**Harrison Centre founder, David Harrison, added:** "The Harrison Centre for Social Mobility has always been about giving people an opportunity to be at their best, with practical support. It has been especially rewarding to work with some of the region's unsung heroes who do a great job by improving people's life chances. I am delighted that we can support The Sick Children's Trust to enable them to continue their important work."

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