



Clatterbridge
Cancer Charity



Together, we can make a difference for future generations

Your guide to leaving a lasting gift in your will

We rely on gifts in Wills to stay at the forefront of cancer care.

Leaving a gift in your Will is a big decision, but it can be one that makes a very special and lasting difference to the lives of people with cancer, long into the future.



Once you've looked after your loved ones in your Will, leaving a gift to Clatterbridge Cancer Charity helps support the amazing work at The Clatterbridge Cancer Centre and change the lives of countless cancer patients each year.

With one in two people now affected by cancer, the need for earlier diagnosis and more effective treatments for our patients goes on. Never has it been so important for Clatterbridge to continue its mission, to drive improved outcomes and experience through its unique network of specialist cancer care across Cheshire and Merseyside.

This is why we need your support more than ever. Your gift will help make a real difference to the future of cancer care.





Peter's Gift

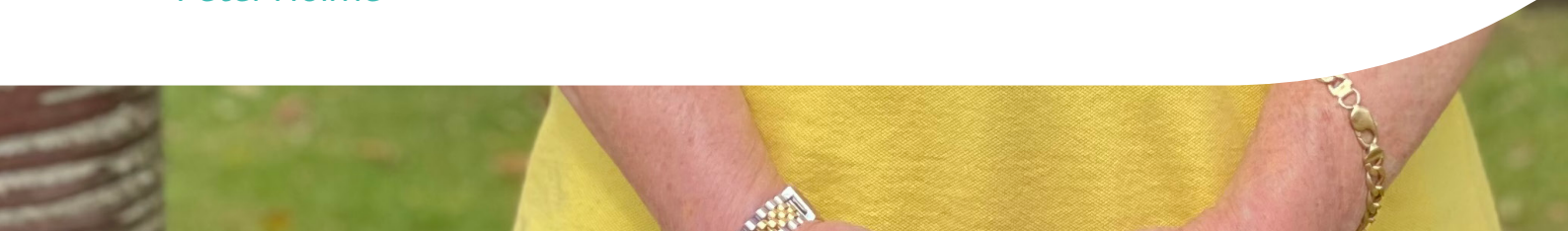
"Since I can remember I have always had an interest in science, in particular medical research, so I knew that this would be an area I would want to support in my lifetime and beyond when it came to planning my estate.

Having lived in Merseyside my whole life I have seen incredible advances in the treatments that people with cancer receive at The Clatterbridge Cancer Centre. After attending an event led by the Charity and hearing first hand from the Doctors who are leading pioneering research, it became abundantly clear not only how important research and clinical trials are in developing new treatments for future patients, but how difficult it can be to secure funding for such research.

Knowing that my gift to the Charity will be invested wisely to enhance treatments for people with cancer in my local community brings me pleasure and comfort.

I would encourage everyone to consider leaving a gift in their Will to a charity that means something to them, just like Clatterbridge does to me."

- Peter Holme



Looking to the future

The world is changing and as the Charity moves forward, we will support four key areas of work that will help The Clatterbridge Cancer Centre to lead the way in cancer care.

- 1. Funding life-saving research**, shaping cancer care for generations to come.
- 2. Investing in leading technology**, driving better outcomes for people with cancer.
- 3. Enhancing the patient environment**, supporting recovery and wellbeing.
- 4. Enabling innovations in care**, for every patient every day.



About Clatterbridge Cancer Charity

We are the only dedicated charity for patients and research at The Clatterbridge Cancer Centre.

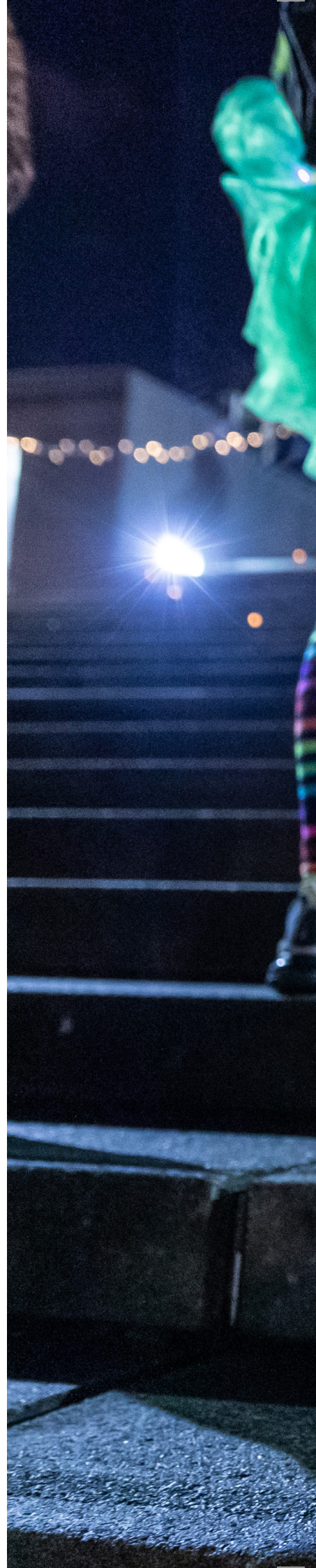
It's thanks to our wonderful supporters that we can make such a difference to the lives of local people with cancer; investing in leading technology, funding life-saving research, enhancing the patient environment and enabling innovations in care.

The Clatterbridge Cancer Centre NHS Foundation Trust is one of the UK's leading cancer centres providing highly specialist cancer care to a population of 2.4m people across Cheshire, Merseyside and the surrounding areas, including the Isle of Man.

The Clatterbridge Cancer Centre provides non-surgical cancer care at three specialist centres in Liverpool city centre, Aintree and Wirral. Clatterbridge also operates specialist chemotherapy clinics in district hospitals across Cheshire and Merseyside and delivers a pioneering Treatment at Home service.

Together, this unique network of care enables The Clatterbridge Cancer Centre to provide a comprehensive range of inpatient care, advanced radiotherapy, chemotherapy and other systemic anti-cancer therapies, like gene therapies and immunotherapies. Clatterbridge is also the only facility in the UK providing low-energy proton beam therapy to treat rare eye cancers and hosts the region's Teenage and Young Adult cancer unit.

Much of this work has been made possible thanks to Charity donations and would not be possible through NHS funding alone.









Lauren's Story

"I was diagnosed with breast cancer in 2021 at the age of 36. It was a total shock, we had only just got married and were starting to plan our lives together including a family.

During my treatment I was lucky to be offered the chance to use a cool cap machine to help limit my hair loss. As a beauty therapist I have always appreciated how important it can be to an individual's self-esteem to look good but for cancer patients this can so easily be taken away in a matter of weeks.

These magical machines help make a huge difference for patients like me, helping us to feel more normal and like ourselves at a time when we need our identity the most. It is fantastic that the Charity funds these machines, which is made possible by the very kind people leaving a lasting gift in their Will."

- Lauren Upshall, Clatterbridge Patient

Your gift makes our pioneering work possible

Thanks to gifts in Wills, Clatterbridge Cancer Charity can continue to invest in leading-edge equipment, research and technology, helping to save more lives.

Every gift we receive helps Clatterbridge to make the advances needed. We fund life-changing technologies and therapies, to pave the way for new treatments for people with cancer in our region. Over the years, gifts in Wills have enabled some key innovations in care, that have saved countless lives and brought cancer care closer to the people who need us.



Papillon Technique

The Clatterbridge Cancer Centre was the first hospital in the UK to pioneer this groundbreaking contact radiotherapy, developed for the treatment for colorectal cancer, and supported by charitable donations.



Clatterbridge in the Community

This innovative, award winning service leads the way in how Clatterbridge delivers its care. Helped by gifts in Wills, Clatterbridge is the first in the UK to provide chemotherapy treatment to patients in their workplace as well as at home.



Clatterbridge Cancer Centre – Liverpool

From calming art to life-saving equipment and amazing spaces, the difference made by gifts in Wills is shown every day at our cancer hospital in Liverpool, which opened in June 2020.



Biobank

Supported by charitable donations, the Biobank at Clatterbridge provides high quality biological samples, which will help to facilitate quality research and answer some of the biggest questions around cancer.



Leaving a gift to Clatterbridge Cancer Charity

Gifts in Wills generously left to us by our supporters, account for a third of our charitable income. These special gifts help us to achieve so much for local people with cancer, which may not have been possible through NHS funding alone.

If you choose to leave a gift to Clatterbridge Cancer Charity in your Will, it is important that you or your solicitor check that it is properly recorded using all of our correct details, as uncertainty can ultimately divert funds from your generous donation through legal costs.

To ensure your gift makes a lasting impact on the work of The Clatterbridge Cancer Centre, we recommend that you state the following:

Clatterbridge Cancer Charity

**The Clatterbridge Cancer Centre,
Clatterbridge Road, Wirral,
CH63 4JY**

Registered Charity Number 1202412





“We’re incredibly grateful to all our supporters who leave a gift in their Will, helping to fund vital research, leading to advancements in treatment and improved outcomes for local people with cancer. Some of my own research is funded by gifts in Wills, including the development of a vaccine tailor-made to the patients personal DNA, designed to help their immune system attack the cancer cells and ward off cancer permanently.”

- Professor Christian Ottensmeier, Director of Clinical Research



John & Nikki's Gift

"John was diagnosed with non-Hodgkin's lymphoma 24 years ago, due to advanced treatments at the time he survived this particular cancer. We were so grateful that John has "come out the other end" of this dreadful disease.

To enable advancements in cancer treatment and care, we are leaving a gift in our Will to our local charity, Clatterbridge Cancer Charity in order to increase knowledge in developing treatment for all types of cancer, which will hopefully help to cure this disease."

- John and Nikki Best

Choosing the right type of gift for you

After you've looked after those closest to you, it's amazing how much difference even a small percentage of your estate can make. A gift of any size will help to shape the future of cancer care and save lives.

There are three main types of gift:

A share of your estate (also known as a Residuary gift)

'Estate' means the total value of your property and assets. You can leave a percentage of what remains from your estate after all other gifts and deductions are made.

A fixed sum of money (also known as a Pecuniary gift)

To ensure that it keeps its value over the years, you can ask your solicitor to make it index-linked.

A specific gift

You can also leave specific things that you own such as property, jewellery or a piece of art.



Frequently Asked Questions

Is writing my Will expensive?

The cost of writing a Will varies depending on the complexities of your estate but a simple Will normally costs between £150-£250 depending on the solicitor firm. We would always recommend seeking the advice of a solicitor when writing your Will.

What wording do I need to include to leave a gift to Clatterbridge Cancer Charity?

Your solicitor can advise you as it depends on the type of gift you wish to leave. However it is vital to include our full details in your Will:

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How can you support me in writing my Will?

If you are considering leaving a gift in your Will, we can help you by providing further information and wording.

Do I have to be wealthy to leave a gift in my Will?

Not at all. A gift of any size can make a real difference. Whatever size or type of gift you decide to leave, it will help us improve the lives of people with cancer.

Can a gift to charity help me pay less tax?

Yes, gifts to UK-registered charities can help reduce the amount of Inheritance Tax that needs to be paid on your estate. We strongly recommend you speak to a solicitor about your personal circumstances.

Do I need to tell you I have left a gift to Clatterbridge Cancer Charity?

We understand that your Will is a very personal document, however we would love to hear that you have included the Charity in your Will and keep you up to date on developments at Clatterbridge.

I already have a Will; can I add a gift to it?

It is good to get into the habit of reviewing your Will every now and then. There are several ways to make changes, your solicitor would advise on the best method.

What happens to my estate if I do not have a Will?

If you pass away without a valid Will, the law decides how your estate is distributed under the rules of intestacy, which may not be the same as your wishes. That is why making your Will is so incredibly important as this is the best way to protect your estate and express who inherits.

Can I leave my gift to a specific area?

We're happy to discuss this with you. Most people choose to leave their gift without limitations so that it can be used where it is needed most at that time.

Our Promise to you

1. We respect that your family and loved ones come first and would not try to change that.
2. We will always respect your privacy and won't put you under any pressure.
3. We promise to use your gift wisely and where there is the greatest need for the biggest impact.
4. We understand that circumstances change in life and you may decide to change your mind about your gift.
5. If you want to be kept up to date, we promise to do that in the way that is best for you.

Helpful words and phrases

Beneficiary	Someone who is entitled to receive a specific gift, sum of money or share of the estate.
Bequest	A gift left in a Will.
Codicil	A document that amends a Will rather than replacing it. Codicils can adversely affect a Will, altering, cancelling or adding provisions to it. It is more common to re-write the whole Will rather than using a codicil to make small changes. It must abide by the same legal requirements as the original Will and it must also have two witnesses who do not benefit from the Will in any way.
Estate	All the assets you own, minus the value of any debts that you owe.
Executor	A person or persons appointed in the Will to administer the estate.
Grant of probate (England, Scotland & Wales)	This is the legal document that may be required to administer a deceased person's estate. With this document, Executors of the estate can then deal with all their legal, tax and administrative duties.
Mirror Will	This is when a husband, wife or partner make almost identical Wills. For example, leaving everything to each other should one partner die. Or, if both die together, to another agreed beneficiary.

Probate

Probate is the legal process of proving a last Will and testament. It involves verifying that the Will is legal, organising the deceased's assets, paying any taxes and debts, as well as ensuring the deceased person's intentions are carried out.

Residue

Everything that is left in the estate after all liabilities, tax, costs and pecuniary gifts (fixed sum of money) have been paid.

Single Will

This type of Will is written for just one person, but you can write a Single Will if you are in a relationship, married or in a civil partnership. In fact, if your partner already has a Will or their wishes differ to yours then a Single Will is often your best option.

Testator

The person who makes the Will.



Thanks to our Charity supporters, we continue to be there for everyone who needs us, raising money to support patients and research at The Clatterbridge Cancer Centre. We ensure our colleagues can provide the best care and develop life-saving treatments, fund the latest equipment and technology and create the best possible patient environments.

With your help, we can be there for future generations.



To discuss leaving a gift in your Will, please get in touch today

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