

## Audley Group raises an incredible £15,000 for the Great Western Hospital



Audley Group has raised an incredible £15,000 for The Dove Ward at the Great Western Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust Charitable Fund. Since the start of the year Audley Villages have been taking part in a series of events to fundraise for Brighter Futures to help raise funds for the Radiotherapy Appeal and the wider cancer improvements at Great Western Hospital.

It is a cause that is very close to the hearts of staff and owners across Audley Group following the diagnosis of Audley's Care Director, Joanna Lander, who is currently receiving treatment at the centre for Acute Myeloid Leukaemia (AML).

Events have taken place across all Audley Villages and included a country-wide bake off which saw budding bakers' dust off their aprons, a 13-mile night trek through Leamington Spa and the sale of orange ribbon pins to raise awareness of Leukaemia. Jo's friends and family have joined Audley Group directors, care, hospitality, finance, HR, sales colleagues and owners from across all Audley Villages to take part in the numerous activities.

Joanna Lander took on the role of Care Director in mid-2018, having worked at Audley for eight years. She started as Care Branch Manager in 2010 before progressing on to become Regional Operations Manager in 2012, Head of Care Operation in 2015 and now Care Director.

**Paul Morgan, Managing Director at Audley Group said:** "Audley has a long history of supporting brilliant charities, but this has become a cause even closer to our hearts. Our staff and owners have

wholeheartedly thrown themselves into raising money for the Dove Ward and we are incredibly proud of each and every one of them. We want Jo to know she has our full support and we are doing all we can to support our fantastic Care Director.”

**Jo Lander said:** “I want to thank the Audley team from the bottom of my heart for making this fundraising possible. Next year, I look forward to joining my colleagues to raise funds for worthy causes.”

Audley Care provides care to both owners living in Audley villages and also people living in their own homes within a 20-mile radius of the village, ensuring the promptest response possible. Care services delivered include a helping hand with daily domestic tasks, personal care, and, most importantly, a trusted face and someone to listen.

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### **About Audley**

Founded in 1991, Audley has since established itself as a pioneer in the provision of luxury retirement living. The first Audley village was built almost twenty years ago in Kent and today Audley owns a portfolio of eighteen across the country. Audley owners buy their own house or apartment on a 125 year lease with access to the Audley Club facilities and flexible care if needed, enabling them to live an independent and healthy life. Audley is an accredited provider of homecare and a founder member of The Associated Retirement Community Operators, ARCO.

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