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**Community Harmony: King’s Lynn Town Band boosts funds for breast care at local hospital**

King’s Lynn Town Band has been using their musical talent to raise money for The Queen Elizabeth Hospital (QEH) Breast Care Unit as a thank you for the care one of their band members received.

A group of women holding a large check

Description automatically generatedThe mother-of-one, Helen Driver, first noticed an irregularity in her breast after a lingering pain didn’t go away after a 10K run. Helen sought medical advice and after both a mammogram and ultrasound scan, a small lump was found in her breast.

Helen has now completed her treatment. As a way to give back and say thank you her band mates pledged to put together a concert in aid of the Breast Care Unit that cared for her so well throughout this difficult time.   
  
Helen Driver, a cornet player in the band, said: “I was diagnosed with Breast Cancer around 12 months ago and, from my first visit to the unit, I was made to feel important and cared for. Nothing was too much trouble, and a nurse was just a phone call away to talk about any concerns I had.

“I have been a member of King's Lynn Town Band for many years, and they always support local charities and causes. When they asked me to choose the benefactor for the spring concert the Breast Care Unit was the obvious choice. We were thrilled to raise £760, and I cannot thank everyone enough; family, friends, the hospital staff, the band and my work colleagues for all the tremendous support they have given me. It's been a rollercoaster!”

Jeanette Scales, who is a trombone player in the band and also the assistant director of finance at the hospital, said: “The band decided to hold a concert for charity and, as Helen is a member who has recently been through her own cancer journey, we decided to choose the breast care unit at QEH.

“The generosity of our audience was astounding, and we would like to thank them very much.”

Elaine Rudd, senior breast care specialist nurse at The QEH said: “Thank you so much to King’s Lynn’s Town Band for supporting The QEH’s Breast Care Unit. Your charitable support will continue to help improve our facilities and help us to provide the best possible care for our patients.”

The King’s Lynn Town band has 24 members and regularly performs at venues across the local area.

If you would like to fundraise for The Queen Elizabeth Hospital King’s Lynn, please email [Charity@qehkl.nhs.uk](mailto:Charity@qehkl.nhs.uk) or call 01553 623309.

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