

Intelligent Energy Charitable Trust

Rainbows



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Intelligent Energy Charitable Trust first launched in January 2019 with the aim to make a positive impact on the local community it operates within. The Charitable Trust supports charitable and voluntary organisations, local to Intelligent Energy's headquarters in Loughborough, which support and aid amongst others; community groups, young people, sport and lifelong learning.

The Trust currently distributes £100,000 per annum and several organisations have already benefited from funding awards, including the Rainbows Hospice for Children and Young People in Loughborough, which received £17,354 towards the provision of physiotherapy.

Their physiotherapists are on hand to give expert advice and support as part of a child or young person's ongoing care. They ensure appropriate therapeutic equipment and resources are available to each individual. This is very important, especially as they are caring for youngsters with complex needs.

Rainbows' physiotherapists support the management of pain and a range of distressing symptoms, as well as helping to avoid secondary complications associated with life-limiting and palliative illnesses. Their provision of specialist palliative physiotherapy advice and education to others including the children and young people in our care, their families and other members of the multidisciplinary teams at Rainbows, helps to ensure that important physiotherapy is incorporated into each individual's day to day care.

Philip Yorkstone, one of Rainbows' physiotherapists, has spent important time upskilling colleagues, in particular concerning postural management. He says: *“Ensuring the care staff have knowledge, understanding and the appropriate skills enables them to competently and confidently move the children and young people, providing them with comfort and support. This is vital to manage pain, body posture, breathing and other body functions. When done well, this leads to a better quality of life and time for those who are life-limited. We are only able to do what we do thanks to a huge network of support and we are grateful to Intelligent Energy for being part of this vital network.”*

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