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Media Release

Armistice Day marked at the RUH

Staff and patients came together at the Royal United Hospitals (RUH) Bath NHS Foundation Trust today (Wednesday 11 November) to mark Armistice Day.

They remembered all those who have served and continue to serve in the Armed Forces, and everyone whose lives have been affected by conflict.

The service took place in the hospital's Spiritual Care Centre, and included a two-minute silence, readings, the laying of a wreath and the Last Post.

The service was led by Lead Chaplain Narinder Tegally and Team Chaplain Rachel Woods.

Managing Director John Palmer read ‘A Reading for Peace’ and Iain Hunter-White, Staff Engagement Facilitator and Talent Acquisition Team Leader read ‘The Peace We Make’. The Last Post was played by Dr Joe Barron-Snowdon and the wreath was laid by Paul von der Heyde, Chair of BSW Hospitals Group.

The service was broadcast live and is available to view on the RUH's Facebook page.

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Notes to Editor:

At the RUH we're proud to put people at the heart of what we do, striving to create an environment where everyone matters. Everyone means the people we care for, the people we work with and the people in our community.

We provide a wide range of services including medicine and surgery, services for women and children, accident and emergency services, and diagnostic and clinical support services.

We also provide specialist services for rheumatology, chronic pain and chronic fatigue syndrome/ME via the Royal National Hospital for Rheumatic Diseases which we acquired in 2015.

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In 2021, we acquired Sulis Hospital Bath, an independent hospital that provides care for both private and NHS patients. This has enabled us to provide more care for NHS patients, as well as continuing to provide private care to those who choose it. Any additional income earned through private care is reinvested in NHS services for the benefit of the people we care for.

Our new Dyson Cancer Centre brings together many of the RUH's cancer services under one roof to provide a cancer services hub for over 500,000 people in the South West. The centre includes the RUH's oncology, chemotherapy and radiotherapy services, a 22-bed inpatient ward, a dedicated pharmacy, research team and nuclear medicine and physics teams.

A key feature of the new centre is the Macmillan Wellbeing Hub. The three-storey hub provides a welcoming, non-clinical space designed around the needs of patients and their families. It also includes comfortable accommodation where relatives and loved ones can stay overnight.

We work closely with other health and care organisations as members of the Bath and North East Somerset, Swindon and Wiltshire Integrated Care Board. We strive to improve the health and wellbeing of the people in our community by working together build one of the healthiest places to live and work.

We are rated 'Good' by the Care Quality Commission (CQC).

For more information about the Royal United Hospitals Bath NHS Foundation Trust visit: www.ruh.nhs.uk