

Press Release – Tuesday 26th January

On Saturday 16th January four Guitar Hero* fans broke the Guinness World Record for the longest running full band marathon session and raised a staggering £1200 for Rowcroft Hospice in the process.

Stephen Youngs, Jack Ross, Daniel Roberts and Michael Tucker began their attempt in Sainsbury's, Torquay at midday on Friday 15th January and strummed, drummed and sang through the night, finally finishing and setting a new world record 25 hours and 13 minutes later.

Stephen Youngs, the band's vocalist said:

'We did it! We would like to thank everyone who came and supported us on the day, and especially those who helped out behind the scenes. Your hard work made this event possible! We would also like to say a special thank you to Sainsbury's who kindly allowed us to host the event at the front of their store.'

The money raised for Rowcroft came from the generosity of Sainsbury's customers who filled the collection buckets that were on display in the store that weekend. The money raised will be used to provide care to those living with terminal illnesses throughout Torbay and South Devon.

Rachel Bell, Community Fundraising Officer at Rowcroft said:

'We are thrilled with how much money Stephen, Jack, Daniel and Michael raised for the hospice. Their hard work and endurance certainly paid off and it was great to be part of such an unusual fundraising challenge. We would also like to extend our thanks to all those who gave so generously and made this donation possible.'



Guitar heroes from left to right:

Michael Tucker (bass), Jack Ross (drums), Stephen Youngs (vocals) and Daniel Roberts (guitar)

*Guitar Hero is a music video game.