



## **ABOUT THE BRIGITTE TRUST**

The Brigitte Trust is an independent registered charity offering emotional support and practical help at home to people and their families facing cancer, MND, MS, heart and lung failure and other life-threatening illness. A small professional team supports over 100 volunteers who provide our front-line service free to client's who are referred to us by health professionals, hospices, self-refer or are introduced by friends or family. Our volunteers help in many ways, providing:

- Emotional support and a listening ear
- Respite for carers
- Sitting with a family member whilst a carer takes a break
- Transport to hospital appointments, shopping and trips out
- Bereavement support

From small beginnings in the early years the Brigitte Trust has grown over the past 30 years to cover the whole of Surrey. The Trust is part funded by Surrey Downs CCG plus local and national funders. Our remaining funding is raised by our professional team or volunteers in the community.

### **Our Strategic Priorities for 2016-2019**

- Reach more people with qualifying conditions in our area.
- Provide excellent support for clients.
- Maintain and promote good governance and financial health.
- Broaden our networks to influence discussion, decisions and outcomes.
- Strengthen our skills and systems