

## News Release

A Christmas Market held in the Harlington Centre, Fleet on Saturday 22 November raised over £500 for charity.

Volunteers from local charity Parity for Disability put on sale numerous donated gifts, tableware, decorations, baked goods and preserves.

Children had their photo taken with a life size dalek, and also had the opportunity to choose from crafts and games such as writing a letter to santa, or making their own stocking.

Expert valuer Richard Bryant donated his time and knowledge to valuing silver, watches and jewellery.

All proceeds from the event will help maintain Parity's vital services for children and adults with severe and multiple disabilities in the community.

"We're grateful to everyone who braved the cold weather to come and make this fundraiser a success, to everyone who donated items for the stalls, and to the volunteers for giving their time. We certainly hope to run a market again next year," said Event Manager Helene Abbiss.

Parity will be holding a fundraising Christmas Party at the West End Centre in Aldershot on Friday 19 December. Tickets are £8 if booked beforehand, and £10 on the door. For more information, please phone 01252 375581 or visit [www.parityfordisability.org.uk](http://www.parityfordisability.org.uk).

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### **About Parity**

Parity for Disability is a local charity providing vital services, information and support to children and young adults with multiple disabilities in Hampshire, Surrey and Berkshire, and identifying the individual requirements of clients, their families and carers. The organisation runs two day centres in Farnborough and Camberley, Easter and summer teenage activity schemes, and a music therapy service that operates both on-site and in homes, schools and other locations throughout the area. We are dedicated to ensuring that profoundly disabled people have access to a quality of life that everyone deserves. Parity is also launching a £2 million appeal for its own dedicated building in Farnborough. Parity is a registered charity no 1071571.

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