Namesakes doubled up for Waverley Care

Two of Waverley Care's key corporate supporters have discovered that they share more than their choice of charity.

Adam Knight, General Manager of Edinburgh Playhouse met Adam Knight, Manager of Starbucks at Waverley Steps to share a cup of coffee and a chat about charity support during this year's Edinburgh Fringe.

Both Adams are keen to generate funds for and raise awareness of the innovative work of Waverley Care in Edinburgh, with the Playhouse having adopted Waverley Care as one of its two beneficiary charities and hosting their annual Comedy Gala* and Starbucks planning to make the charity's distinctive tartan awareness ribbons available in selected stores throughout this year's Edinburgh Fringe.

Karen Docwra, Fundraising Manager of Waverley Care said: "We are extraordinarily lucky to have the support of both Edinburgh Playhouse and Starbucks and it's serendipitous to be working with two people of the same name who both have such genuine enthusiasm for and understanding of all that we achieve."

Adam Knight, General Manager of Edinburgh Playhouse, said: "The Edinburgh Playhouse is a theatre for everyone and we have a long history of supporting local charities. We are incredibly proud of our partnership with Waverley Care and the important work they do in providing care, social support and in helping to break stigmas associated with HIV and Hepatitis C."

Edinburgh Playhouse and Starbucks are just two of a growing number of companies and organisations in the city who have chosen to work closely with Waverley Care, the leading Scottish HIV and Hepatitis C charity. Current supporters also include Harvey Nichols, who have selected Waverley Care as their charity of the year and Lloyds Banking Group, whose volunteering support has extended to gardening, bucket shaking and support for the charity's management team. Waverley Care also enters its 24th year of partnership with Fringe venue, The Pleasance at the 2015 Fringe.

*Waverley Care's Comedy Gala, put on for the charity by Off the Kerb, takes place at the Edinburgh Playhouse on Sunday 16th August at 7.30 pm.

Tickets for the Waverley Care Comedy Gala, Edinburgh's biggest comedy event, are on sale now and are available to purchase in person from the Edinburgh Playhouse Box Office; over the phone by calling ATG Tickets on 0844 871 3014 or online at atgtickets.com/Edinburgh

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