

Cake sale raises funds for The Brain Tumour Charity

Edinburgh couple Nick and Claire Connelly held a Beats&Bakes sale at the Leith Walk Police Box last weekend and raised £1400 for The Brain Tumour Charity.

They want to give their support to the charity which researches brain tumours after Nick's brother Jamie was treated for a brain tumour at the age of 36. Jamie had treatment including surgery, radiotherapy and chemotherapy, and although he has recovered well, the tumour is incurable.

Nick, said: "After Jamie was diagnosed with a brain tumour I did some reading and was horrified by the shocking figures that showed the limited funding and the lack of research into the biggest cancer killer in children and adults under the age of 40.

"This inspired me and my wife Claire to hold this bake sale to raise funds for The Brain Tumour Charity."

Saturday's bake sale was a huge success and so far £1486.77 has been raised for The Brain Tumour Charity with donations still coming into their [JustGiving](#) page.



Nick said: "I'm so pleased we've managed to raise so much money and it has far exceeded my expectations.

"It's all about raising awareness and Claire and I are delighted that we can help in some small way.

"Friends and family had also stepped up to the challenge and I was particularly moved by the total strangers who turned up on the day and donated baked goods to the cause.

"Thankfully we managed to sell most of the delicious goods on the day!

"It was a busy and fun day and we've received incredible support from friends, family and total strangers; several of whom have been affected by this terrible illness.

"People's generosity is truly something to behold and I want to thank everybody who helped make this event such a success, it truly was a team effort and most importantly, the money

raised can help to aid vital research.”

Shona Richardson, Community Fundraiser for The Brain Tumour Charity (Scotland), said: “We are incredibly grateful to Nick, Claire and all their family and friends for supporting The Brain Tumour Charity and for raising awareness of this devastating disease.

“It was a fantastic day and there was a real buzz around the event.

“It was really great to see so many passers by stopping to chat and buying the lovely homemade bakes.

“We receive no government funding and rely entirely on voluntary donations and gifts in wills, so it’s only thanks to supporters and fundraisers like Nick and Claire that we can make progress towards our twin goals of doubling brain tumour survival and halving the harm caused by the disease.”