

# Alzheimer Scotland Memory Walk raises funds for dementia

Hundreds of families from across Edinburgh and the Lothians gathered together earlier today at Dalkeith Country Park, to take part in Alzheimer Scotland's Midlothian Memory Walk, to try and make sure nobody faces dementia alone.

The Memory Walk series concentrates on fundraising whilst providing a positive opportunity for families and communities to come together to support people living with dementia now, or to remember those lost to the illness.



Hundreds join Alzheimer Scotland Memory Walk in Dalkeith Country Park Hundreds of families from across Edinburgh and the Lothians gathered together on 6 October 2019 at Dalkeith Country Park, to take part in Alzheimer Scotland's Midlothian Memory Walk, to help make sure nobody faces dementia alone. PHOTO Ian Georgeson

Sally Davidson, Locality Fundraiser from Alzheimer Scotland, said: "It was fantastic so see so many people come together to support dementia by taking part in our annual Memory Walk. Seeing the park turn purple was an amazing sight to see.

"A huge thank you to everyone who took part in our amazing Midlothian Memory Walk, and to all those volunteers who supported us on the day. Every step helps us to improve the lives of people living with dementia.

"Alzheimer Scotland is committed to providing the best possible care, support and information for everyone living with dementia, as well as making sure that people with dementia and their carers are recognised and valued in their local communities. Every penny raised from today will be invested back into supporting our vision to help make sure

nobody faces dementia alone.”

Alzheimer Scotland works to put dementia firmly at the heart of communities.

All funds raised from the Memory Walk help support the national dementia charity to provide ongoing high-quality dementia-specific activities, support and care for people with dementia from Shetland to the Borders, as well as supporting the Freephone 24-hour Dementia Helpline (0808 808 3000).



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Fundraising also supports campaigning activities, along with research into prevention now, better care today and ultimately a cure for tomorrow.

Dementia is Scotland’s biggest public health issue. There are

around 90,000 people living with dementia in Scotland and it is now estimated that 20,000 people will be diagnosed with the condition every year by 2020.

Alzheimer Scotland has a 24-Hour Freephone Dementia Helpline on 0808 808 3000. For more information about the Memory Walk series visit [www.memorywalksscotland.org](http://www.memorywalksscotland.org)















