



A celebration event in Colworth Road during Breast Cancer Awareness Month

We are pleased to announce that on **Monday 19 October at 12.00 a plaque will be unveiled at 1 Colworth Road**, Addiscombe to commemorate former resident Betty Westgate.

After being diagnosed with breast cancer in 1968, Betty was disappointed about the lack of information and sensitivity towards breast cancer patients.

In 1973 she started the Mastectomy Association, running a telephone support line from her back room in Colworth Road, which offered help and information to people affected by breast cancer.

Through Betty's determination the Mastectomy Association grew and became Breast Cancer Care in 1994.

Now the charity supports thousands of people affected by breast cancer every year, offering everything from information booklets in hospitals, online Q&As with breast care nurses to support events run by trained specialists.

The unveiling will be conducted by Professor Trevor Powles, an eminent oncologist and winner of a Pride of Britain Lifetime Achievement Award in 2013. Senior executives from Breast Cancer Care will be coming along to commemorate and celebrate the life of their founder, and members of Betty's family are travelling from across the country to be with us. In addition, the Mayor of Croydon, Patricia Hay-Justice, will attend.

ASPRA, together with members of the Westgate family and Breast Cancer Care has supported the commissioning of the plaque.

We would love as many ASPRA residents as possible to attend the event to celebrate a remarkable woman.