



**Norfolk & Norwich  
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Dear Janet

Please pass on our thanks to the village community for their superb contribution to our NICU Fund with their collection at Christmas carols.

It is so brilliant that even with everything that has gone on in the last 2 years the villagers were able to raise £93.52, every donation makes a difference.

Thank you for your kindness

Yours sincerely,

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# Warming blankets for NICU babies

New warming blankets are being purchased by the N&N Hospitals Charity for babies being treated in the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit (NICU) at the N&N.

The Astopad Patient Warming System can be wrapped around babies when they are sleeping in their cots, out for cuddles with their parents, or under phototherapy lights due to jaundice.

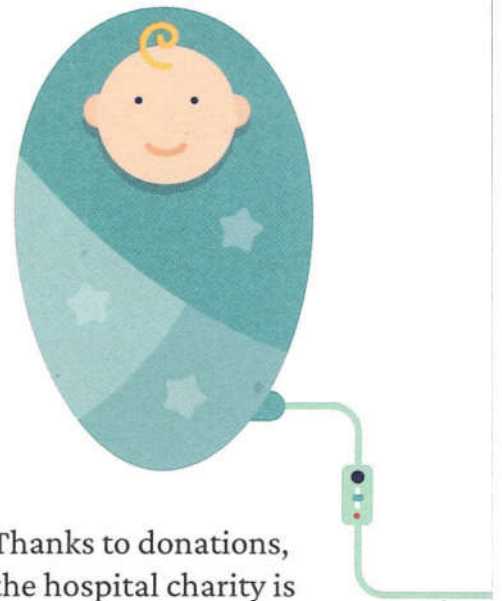
The NICU team has been trialling the blanket in recent months and will be purchasing eight to replace the older, less versatile mattresses which are currently being used.

Senior Sister on NICU, Karin Ronen, said: “We will be using the blankets for babies that no longer need the support of incubators and those on our Transitional Care Unit where babies are still relatively small and/or premature and susceptible to getting cold.

“Having these blankets often prevents any separation that would

happen if small but otherwise healthy babies needed to be placed into incubators in order to maintain their temperatures”.

“The blankets will also enable us to return babies that have required additional support and interventions back to be safely cared for by their mothers at an earlier opportunity”



Thanks to donations, the hospital charity is purchasing eight blankets at a cost of £2,964.40 each and will replace the less efficient, and less versatile hot mattresses that are becoming obsolete.

Each year, the N&N treats more than 900 sick and premature babies in our NICU - some may be with us for a few months while they grow and become strong enough to go home, others may just need a few days support. Babies born with specific problems may need surgery or complex medical care.

