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## Standard Chartered Jersey Marathon to support Jersey Hospice Care

Standard Chartered Bank Jersey ("the Bank") employees have voted for Jersey Hospice Care to be the local beneficiary of the Standard Chartered Jersey Marathon 2018, alongside official charity Seeing is Believing (SiB), the Bank's global programme to tackle preventable blindness.

**Richard Ingle, Chief Executive Officer, Standard Chartered Bank Jersey,** said: "We have been very much a part of the Marathon since its launch in 2006, when employees would organise the event on top of performing their day jobs. The Marathon is our biggest community engagement of the year, and this year being the 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Standard Chartered in Jersey and 15<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Seeing is Believing, we hope to make an even bigger impact."

Jersey Hospice Care supports approximately 450 people with terminal and life-limiting conditions each year. It provides a holistic approach to care, incorporating physical, emotional, social and spiritual aspects. Its services are provided free of charge, with more than 450 volunteers giving their time and many others helping to raise the £5.3 million it costs each year to run its services.

Emelita Robbins, Chief Executive Officer of Jersey Hospice Care, said: "We are delighted and grateful to have been nominated as the local charity to be supported by the Standard Chartered Jersey Marathon, a fantastic community event in the Jersey calendar. Without the support of the local community we simply couldn't do what we do. Running for Jersey Hospice Care is a wonderful way to show support for the cause, raise vital funds and remind us all to make the most of the life we have."

Funds raised this year for Seeing is Believing will once again be earmarked for a project in Zambia to provide eye care services in four underserved districts in Muchinga Province and Eastern Province. Last year's event raised more than £11,000 for the three-year project, and with dollar matching by the Bank will contribute immensely to improve lives through surgery, eye examinations, eye health education and training of eye health workers.

The Standard Chartered Jersey Marathon 2018 will take place on Sunday 7 October. Registration is now open for the Full Marathon, Relay and the 3k Fun Run at <a href="https://www.jersey-marathon.com">www.jersey-marathon.com</a>.

Runners are encouraged to donate to the event's official charities during the registration process. After signing up, runners will receive an email with a link to a personal or team fundraising page which they can share with family and friends and keep track of how much they have raised.

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