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Support and friendship
for families

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Dear Supporter

As you are aware my chosen charity during my year as The Town Mayor is Home-Start Butser, a cause close to my heart as I believe that every child and parent deserves the best start in life.

I am very excited to let you know that **Home-Start Butser** has been selected again to participate in the Big Give Christmas Challenge 2018, the UK's largest match funding campaign.

Our first five years of life are a vital time of growth and stability is so important, which is why they are raising money for the campaign - **Give Families Hope** - to support parents who are suffering from mental health problems while bringing up young children.

This support is crucial, and prevents a cycle of despair for both the parents and the children. Without it more parents and children would remain vulnerable.

The adage, 'It takes a village to raise a child', is proven time and again through Home-Start volunteers. They are trained to avert crisis and tackle the devastation mental health problems can wreak on young children, bring hope of recovery. Through a long-term relationship, they help parents overcome their condition, see a doctor, talk to a counsellor, develop friendships, and learn to enjoy life again. They provide parents the support they need to give their children vital love and care.

It costs £1,000 to support a family for a year. Through the Big Give Christmas Challenge, where every £1 is doubled, we hope to raise £20,000 to give 20 more families hope.

Donations to this project will be matched for 7 days from 12pm on 27th November.

If you or anyone you know would like to support this project knowing that it will be doubled please [donate today to change lives tomorrow.](#)

As ever I am grateful for your ongoing support.

Many thanks in advance

Hilary Ayer
The Petersfield Town Mayor

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