## PRESS RELEASE

May 2018

## Leicester hair salon dedicates 'Hair Room' to charity supporter

Prestigious Leicester hair salon George's Hairdressing aims to provide a supportive room for people living with medical hair loss at its salon on Allandale Road in the city. The salon has re-designed and renamed it's "New Hair Room" and has a team of wig specialists to help customers get the look they desire.

Formerly known as The New Hair Room, the space will now be called "The Jakki Williams Room" in honour of Bold Over Club (BOC) member Jakki Williams. The BOC club supports people with medical hair loss and meets bimonthly at the George's salon.

Sadly, Jakki passed away in January 2018 after being diagnosed with breast cancer. Her treatment caused her hair to fall out, yet she always remained positive during an immensely difficult period. George's Hairdressing hopes to continue Jakki's work by creating a supportive environment in her name for those experiencing medical hair loss.

Laura Williams, Jakki's daughter commented: "My mum loved the BOC club, she felt privileged to be a part of the group and her confidence soared, she used to sport a new hairstyle weekly, something she would never have done before. She will be laughing at all the fuss everyone's made, but also very honoured to have the hair room named after her. She's had a lot of laughs in that room."

George Hairdressing Salon Director Katie Katon added: "Jakki Williams was a real support for many people across Leicester and we at George's feel it's only right that this remains possible. Her dedication to the Bold Over Club was nothing short of inspirational. People going through medical hair loss can lose confidence and have low self-esteem so we want to minimise that stress and emotional difficulty by giving them the full salon treatment and help them to feel pampered!"

Along with the idea to re-name the room, it was also given a 'face lift' with money raised from the Leicester community. Over the past year, all fringe trims have come with a £5 charge, with all proceeds going towards the re-design of the room. Lush, the high street handmade cosmetic store also provided a box of pre-wrapped gifts which were raffled to clients, and Manu Tuilagi at Leicester Tigers gave the salon a shirt to raffle.

Services at The Jakki Williams Room include wig colouring, styling, and cutting. These are all tailored to best suit the customer's look and requirements. The salon's expert consultants also recognise that choosing a wig can be difficult and so they work closely with their customers to give them as much information as possible.

The salon will provide advice about wigs and styles, with great customer service, and hopes the Jakki Williams Room can also be a place for the transgender community to feel pampered and supported.

The Jakki Williams Room is available for bookings now, which can be made through George's Hairdressing's website. For further details about George's services and The Jakki Williams Room, visit: <u>https://www.georgeshairdressing.com/services/hair-room/</u>

## ENDS

## Notes to Editors:

George's Hairdressing has been inspiring men and women in Leicestershire for almost 40 years with its three salons. Part of the L'Oréal Professional portfolio which was established in 1990, this exclusive group of top British hairdressers have been recognised for their creativity and expertise in the field of professional hairdressing.

The 'Bold Over Club' is a Leicester based support group for anyone with medical hair loss. The group meets bimonthly at George's Allandale Road salon and offers group members the opportunity to meet with other people with the same conditions, helping them to feel less alone and gain confidence.

Press release issued by Mocha Marketing Limited on behalf of George's Hairdressing.

For all press and media enquiries, including interviews, please contact Lily Walker at Mocha Marketing Limited; <u>lily@mocha-marketing.co.uk</u> or phone 0116 298 9436.