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Transforming cancer care together

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## Media Release

### **Travis Perkins Generously Donate 10,000 Masks**

Travis Perkins, the UK's largest distributor of building materials, has generously donated 10,000 masks to health and care workers in Leeds, Sheffield, London and Aberdeen.

As a corporate partner of Macmillan Cancer Support, Travis Perkins opted to distribute 10,000 masks in the required FFP2 certification standard for front-line care staff across England in the effort to support the control of Covid-19. Of this generous donation 2,500 were received in Leeds on Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> April.

Karen Henry, **Macmillan Lead Cancer Nurse, Leeds Teaching Hospitals NHS Trust**, said:

"We are delighted that through our long-term partnership working with Macmillan, we are able to access more high-spec facemasks through their corporate partner, Travis Perkins. We are able to share this generous donation with our healthcare professionals in Leeds, who very much appreciate this at this challenging time.

Jules Hoole, **Macmillan Strategic Partnership Manager, Yorkshire, Macmillan Cancer Support**, said:

"We would like to thank @TravisPerkinsCo who donated 10,000 masks to our Macmillan Nurses and organisations we work with across the UK. Our nurses work tirelessly each day, with some of the most vulnerable in our society, proudly standing shoulder to shoulder with the NHS. We cannot thank Travis Perkins enough for your continued support, especially in these difficult times.

Tom Riordan, **Chief Executive of Leeds City Council**, said:

“We would like to thank Travis Perkins and Macmillan for this donation which will help protect both front-line care staff and our most vulnerable residents. This is an unprecedented challenge and it’s inspiring to see so many different businesses, organisations and services working together. We are incredibly grateful and proud.”

The donated masks will play a vital part in Leeds’s effort to fight against the spread of Coronavirus (COVID 19) and give protection to front line healthcare workers.

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**Leeds Cancer Programme** is a partnership between Macmillan Cancer Support, the NHS in Leeds and Leeds City Council to transform cancer services across the city. Through its dynamic and ambitious strategy, it is committed to delivering the best outcomes for all in Leeds through world class cancer services shaped by patients, carers and the wider public.

**Travis Perkins** is the UK's largest distributor of building materials to the building, construction and home improvement markets. Travis Perkins has been helping to build Britain for over 200 years, and have over 20 businesses in the Group.