

Hazelton, Laura

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To: Hazelton, Laura
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Dear Laura

My name is Kimberley DIGHT. I am a breast cancer survivor. I was diagnosed with an aggressive form of breast cancer in March 2015 and have had extensive surgery (double mastectomy), chemotherapy and continue to have treatment and therapy. I was 48 years old when I was diagnosed. I have lost nearly 4 years of my life due to this terrible illness.

Some of my friends and family turned their backs on me when I was diagnosed – it was too traumatic for them. I had no one to turn to. Cancer is a very lonely place. I was sick, bald, and battling for my life!

A few months in to my treatment I found a place called BREAST CANCER HAVEN, FULHAM. Please do not underestimate the impact of finding this place has had on my recovery.

BREAST CANCER HAVEN is just that – a HAVEN. Currently located in FULHAM on the outskirts of central LONDON. Accessible from the hospital where I am still attending – The ROYAL MARSDEN Hospital in CHELSEA. BREAST CANCER HAVEN took me in and wrapped me up in cotton wool. They protected me from the outside world and made me forget that I was fighting to survive. I go there to meet other people like me, suffering from breast cancer. I go there to have a cup of tea. I go there for alternative treatments; aromatherapy, massage, reflexology, counselling, acupuncture. I have learnt how to wear makeup to cover the fact that I have no eyebrows, eyelashes, hair! I have learnt to like myself and my new body image. I have made new friends who don't judge me. I can't imagine not having BREAST CANCER HAVEN in my life.

When I found out that BREAST CANCER HAVEN was having to close down I was devastated. My life line was disappearing. Then FUTURE DREAMS turned up and said that they were looking to relocate this wonderful space. I heard recently that the new premises were going to be in KINGS CROSS – a great location for me as I am a CAMDEN resident. So easy to get to if you live outside of LONDON too. Close to a central railway hub and buses.

Breast Cancer is pink. Pink represents softness, nurturing and support. This should be reflected in the new FUTURE DREAMS house, inside and out. A place for anyone touched by breast cancer to go to and feel safe and loved.

I am asking you to please let this dream house become a reality. I will be lost without it and without the care and support of the people inside.

Please do not hesitate to contact me for anything at all if it can help with the decision making for this wonderful new dream house.

Kindest Regards

Kimberley L DIGHT
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