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**MS SOCIETY NORTHERN IRELAND GETS A HELPING HAND FROM THE SCREWFIX FOUNDATION**

The MS Society in Northern Ireland is celebrating after being awarded £4,000 worth of funding from The Screwfix Foundation, a charity which supports projects to fix, repair, maintain and improve properties and facilities for those in need.

Tom Mallon Fundraising Manager comments: “We are very grateful to The Screwfix Foundation for donating these much-needed funds to support our charity. We have used the funding to create a safe and secure outdoor area for people with MS who attend our Day Centre in Belfast. Thanks to The Screwfix Foundation our members have been able to spend time outdoor enjoying this recent spell of beautiful weather. It’s been great for them. We’d like to thank everyone who was involved in the fundraising – it’s been a great help to us.”

Jaqueline McBride, the store manager from Belfast Ravenhill, comments: “We’re really pleased that one of our local charities has been awarded funding by The Screwfix Foundation. Staff from across the business have held a variety of fundraising events to raise vital funds for The Screwfix Foundation, so it’s fantastic to see the money we have raised being invested back into such a worthwhile community project.”

The Screwfix Foundation, which launched in April 2013 donates much needed funding to help a variety of local projects throughout the UK, from repairing buildings and improving community facilities, to improving the homes of people living with sickness or disability.

It also works closely with two national charity partners, Barnardo’s children’s charity and Macmillan Cancer Support, as well as supporting smaller, local registered charities like United Response

Relevant projects from across Belfast are invited to apply online for a share of the funding at screwfixfoundation.com.

For more information about The Screwfix Foundation, visit screwfixfoundation.com.

Image pictured are l-r - MS Society staff Anne Moore, Senior Care Assistant; Helen Wall, Health Care Assistant; Tom Mallon, Fund Raising Manager, with Jacqueline McBride, Screwfix Store Manager at the Ravenhill Branch, and Lesley Clews-Stevenson, Day Care Assistant.

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**Note to editors**

**About The Screwfix Foundation:**

The Screwfix Foundation is a charity set up by Screwfix in April 2013. We have a clear purpose of raising funds to support projects that will fix, repair, maintain and improve properties and community facilities specifically for those in need in the UK.

The Screwfix Foundation raises funds throughout the year to support causes that will change people’s lives. Working with both national and local charities, The Screwfix Foundation donates much needed funding to help all sorts of projects, from repairing buildings and improving community facilities, to improving the homes of people living with sickness or disability.

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