



WOMEN WHO INSPIRE

We asked DENS staff to
share their inspirations
in celebration of
International Women's Day

MO MOWLAM

Former MP and Northern Ireland Secretary. Oversaw the negotiations which led to the signing of the Good Friday agreement, whilst receiving treatment for a brain tumour. She tried to keep her diagnosis private, but the tabloid press started making jibes about her appearance so she went public.

Wendy, CEO

PAM MACPHERSON

The first and only black woman founder of a hospice in the UK. Pam's a trail blazer for her generation, given the challenges she faced as a black nurse in the 1960s. She leaves a lasting legacy for the people of Berkhamsted and surrounding areas, by achieving her goal to set up the Hospice of St Francis, where I have volunteered for a number of years.

Pamela, Bank Worker

MY MUM

The woman who inspires me every day. From starting her nursing career at just 16 to dedicating her life to mental health, community and palliative care, she has always put others first.

Isobel, Senior Corporate Fundraiser

QUEEN ELIZABETH II

I found it amazing the way that she was able to be so relatable to so many, despite her wealth and background. Elizabeth never used her status as an excuse to neglect those around her, but often took time out of her schedule to meet people on a human level – something that is so critical to the work that we do as a charity, seeing others for their humanity.

Jonny, Outreach Worker

MARIE CURIE

Because she changed science forever with her discoveries in radioactivity. Her work led to the invention of X-ray machines, helping to save lives and revolutionise medicine. She was the first woman to win a Nobel Prize and never let barriers stop her - proving that determination and brilliance can break any limits.

Fran, Head of Fundraising & Communications

LUCY MORGAN

GLAMOUR Magazine Purpose Editor who is at the forefront of the campaign to introduce a specific Image Based Abuse Law, that criminalises the creation of sharing sexually explicit deepfakes.

Ruth, Accommodation Services Manager

MOTHER THERESA

Dedicating her life to caring for orphaned children, people affected by leprosy and hospices for terminally ill patients.

Nicky, Community & Events Manager