

WORLD'S BIGGEST COFFEE MORNING INITIATIVE GOES DOWN WELL WITH EMPLOYEES



Teessiders tuck in: Seated Left to right: Kevin Innes, Suzanne Cocks, Sally Thomas, Keith Kidd, Stephanie Walker, Christine Rennard, Jackie McQuire, Tony Jefferson, Jen Thomas and Mark Munday. Standing are Andrew Swainston and Natasha Wilkinson.

Who says you can't have your cake and eat it?

Sembcorp employees proved otherwise as they scoffed their way through a mountain of delicious cakes and other tasty treats to raise more than £500 for Macmillan Cancer Support.

Dozens of employees on Teesside and in Solihull took part in a lunchtime feeding frenzy as part of the World's Biggest Coffee Morning initiative, raising funds to help those living with cancer.

The cherry on the cake came when the company also chipped in with £500 of matched funding that will help to change lives in the UK and across the world through the work of the inspirational Macmillan nurses.

Organisers on Teesside Laura McLaughlin, Marie Mistry and Chris Rennard plus Solihull volunteers Amy Shaw, Laura Cutler and Abi Walker were delighted with the total.

Laura McLaughlin said: “Everyone got into the spirit and we were immensely grateful to all those who cooked and baked or simply bought items on the day – or both!”

In 2018, the event raised more than £26 million globally and when all donations are in, the 2019 event is likely to achieve a similar sum.

The total sum of just over £1,000 raised by Sembcorp Energy UK employees (including the company matched funding) equates to the cost of supplying a Macmillan nurse for a week, helping people living with cancer and their families with essential medical, practical and emotional support.

A random selection of the goodies available at Wilton (left) and Solihull (right)



Food for Thought: Natasha Wilkinson and James Dennis pause as they consider what to have next!



Sweet! Solihull employees Alex Neale (right) winner of the bake off competition held by Solihull team with Petri Palonen who helped judge the competition. Alex baked a super chocolate cake covered in sweets. Laura Cutler who was closest in the competition to guess the number of cherries in a pie!