## FUNDING APPEAL: Visors for front line medical staff and key workers in Hounslow

The COVID-19 pandemic has caused significant delays in getting essential PPE to our front line medical staff in Hounslow



PPE equipment required by front-line staff includes a number of items, and one of the key ones is Visors, which consist of a framework for the medical staff to then apply a clear plastic Acetane sheet over the front.

These do not need to be sterile as they are not used in a sterile environment; they are purely to try and stop expelled droplets being projected on to the person who is wearing the Visor. These visors have been effectively used all around the world and were designed by

https://3dverkstan.se/protective-visor/protective-visor-print-guide/



These can be made highly costeffectively using 3D printers.

Our local Neighbourhood Watch and OWGRA have therefore decided to launch an initiative to make them. We are working with a small group of volunteers

(<a href="https://m.facebook.com/story.php?story">https://m.facebook.com/story.php?story</a> fbid=10163473152245714&id=5126 45713 ) who are running a number of 3D printers making them for workers in Surrey and Kent.

We have therefore launched a crowdfunding page
(<a href="https://www.crowdfunder.co.uk/visors-for-front-line-medical-staff-in-hounslow">https://www.crowdfunder.co.uk/visors-for-front-line-medical-staff-in-hounslow</a>) to raise the funds to supply these Visors to front-line and key worker staff in Hounslow at no cost to the NHS or workers who need these

vital pieces of equipment.

All money raised is funding materials and costs associated with printing. At the end of this project, any funds left will be donated to a charity that is associated with the aftermath of Covid-19 and requires support.

Our local Neighbourhood Watch (Hounslow Borough Neighbourhood Watch Association) have sourced and funded two 3D printers. OWGRA have provided some initial funding for the materials to make the first batches of visors, but we need to make many more of these visors – hence this funding appeal. In addition Hounslow Police have confirmed their support and offered to help with distributing the visors.

Please donate what you can to help our front-line medical staff in Hounslow in these challenging times. This is your way to both help to keep our front-line medical staff safe and to say thank you to them in a tangible way. OWGRA will manage the funds received and direct them straight to the production of these visors. You can donate here (<a href="https://www.crowdfunder.co.uk/visors-for-front-line-medical-staff-in-hounslow">https://www.crowdfunder.co.uk/visors-for-front-line-medical-staff-in-hounslow</a> ). We will report back via our eNewsletter (and our website) on how many Visors have been distributed to Hounslow medical staff.