

NEWS RELEASE Team Arval is cycling from Swindon to Paris for charity

Twenty employees from Arval UK, a leading vehicle leasing and fleet management company, are cycling from their office in Swindon to Head Office in Rueil, Paris, across three days.

They will be setting off from Swindon on Saturday the 13th June (at 9am) and arriving in Rueil in Paris on Monday the 15th June, a total of 225 miles (and an overnight ferry ride).

Arval is hoping to raise over £10,000, which will be split over their two nominated charities - The Prospect Hospice and The Finlay Foundation.

Staff at Arval have also been doing lots of activities to raise money so far, including a dress down day, cake sale, recycling old company mobile phones, bingo, guessing sweets in a jar and selling over 120 tickets for a Race night kindly supported by Coleview Community centre.

CSR Manager (and part of Team Arval), Tracey Fuller said: "Our employees at Arval are always raising money and doing things to help make a difference in our local communities, so it was no surprise to me that when one of our staff suggested a charity bike ride between our Swindon office and Head office in Paris, we had lots of people wanting to take part."

She adds: "An experienced cyclist employee (and councillor, Keith Williams) has planned the trip, and all the cyclists have been actively involved in all the fundraising activities, with the full support of our senior management team (not forgetting a support crew who are also Arval employees). Both charities mean a lot to our people and this kind of employee driven challenge reinforces our approach and ongoing commitment to our Corporate Social Responsibility strategy".



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About Arval

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