Fundraisers hot-foot it for Early Pregnancy Appeal

Fundraisers hot-footed it over red hot coals to raise money for Royal Surrey County Hospital’s fundraising appeal to create a dedicated Early Pregnancy Unit.

There was no tip toeing around as more than 20 Trust staff and supporters braved temperatures of almost 650 degrees Celsius to take part in the Firewalk.

The intrepid volunteers received a training session from a qualified instructor before putting their best foot forward and tackling the flaming pathway.

Their fancy footwork raised several hundred pounds for the Trust’s major fundraising appeal to create a dedicated Early Pregnancy Unit.

Sarah Ferris, the Trust’s Head of Fundraising, said: “Thankfully no one got cold feet and it was fantastic to see so many people with a burning desire to walk over hot coals.

“The funds raised will go towards a very worthwhile cause.”

Tragically one in five pregnancies will end in miscarriage and the Trust needs to raise more than half a million pounds to create a dedicated and protected environment for these women.

Each year Royal Surrey sees around 2,000 women experiencing difficulties in early pregnancy more than 150 of these for their second or more miscarriage.

Currently, these women are forced to sit alongside other pregnant women in a busy outpatient department, which can add to their distress.

The proposed new facility will include its own scan room, which will be manned by consultant gynaecologists and obstetricians who specialise in early pregnancy.

To make a donation to the appeal visit: http://www.royalsurrey.nhs.uk/fundraising or call 01483 464146.