

## **FREEMASONS HELPING THE COMMUNITY**

The North West Air Ambulance service provides a most valuable service to the community in Lancashire and the North West. It is one of the many good causes in the community that Freemasons are pleased to support.

On Monday, 6 February, the oldest Masonic lodge in Preston, Lodge of Peace & Unity, founded in 1797, continued this support when their Master, David Thomson and a group of members presented a cheque for £750 raised by the members to Mrs Jackie Northover, on behalf of North West Air Ambulance, at their helicopter base at Blackpool airport.

David Thompson stated that the lodge members were happy to support the essential work they carry out for the people of the North West. Mrs Northover responded by saying that she was extremely grateful to the Lodge of Peace & Unity of Preston for their support in helping them in raising the £1.3 million pounds required each year to keep their air ambulance service operational for the benefit of the people in this region.



**Presentation to Mrs Northover, Air Ambulance (left) by David Thomson, Master, Lodge of Peace & Unity (centre), together with Alan Drinkall, Lodge Charity Steward.**



**Presentation group with members of the Air Ambulance staff (far right)**