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**Relief from Pain charity launch will demonstrate the art of healing to curry lovers**

**NEW healing** **charity**, *Relief from Pain*, will show diners the powerful benefits of a healing session at its launch event to raise awareness about healing as an integral part of maintaining general health and well-being alongside conventional healthcare.

The launch will take place at Innovations (Indian) restaurant in Maidenhead on Wednesday 23 November at 7.30pm. Guests will include Deputy Mayor Cllr Colin Rayner for the Royal Borough of Windsor and Maidenhead, and main speaker is healer and author Anne Jirsch.

The charity launch will include a fundraising dinner and guests will also be invited to experience the benefits of healing in a specially refurbished healing room on the 2nd floor of the Innovations restaurant. Healing therapists will be on hand to provide treatments including Reiki, hands on/hands off healing and Gabriel Dayan’s THE Transformation Technique.

The aim of the charity is to raise funds to offer continuous **free** healing sessions – once a month – to people suffering **from chronic pain, serious and terminal illnesses**, or to those just curious about healing treatments. The other Relief from Pain aims include:

* raising the profile of healing therapies as a complementary treatment alongside conventional healthcare
* commissioning an independent study to demonstrate the efficacy of healing therapies
* working with the NHS, professional health and Complementary and Alternative (CAM) bodies to enable patients to access healing therapies as part of their general health treatment, and
* setting up healing centres across the UK

Founder and trustee for Relief from Pain, Ann Boone, said:

“I have worked as a healer for over five years and have seen how clients’ lives have been transformed through healing work. Some clients are barely able to move when they come to me due to chronic pain. After a few sessions they are able to look after themselves, do their own shopping and go to work.”

Ann added:

“Relief from Pain charity was set up to help more people benefit from healing treatments. At the moment we are offering free healing treatment every Thursday at our treatment room in Maidenhead.

 “Through our campaigning and fundraising work we want offer people healing holidays, and one day, hopefully, make healing available through the NHS as part of an integrated package of treatment for all types of illnesses and conditions.”

Tickets for the Relief from Pain charity launch and gala dinner are available for minimum donations of £25. Call Ann Boone on 07733 267 466 for tickets. For further information on Relief from Pain please visit the website on: [www.relieffrompain.org](http://www.relieffrompain.org). The restaurant address is Innovations, 3 Bridge Street, Maidenhead SL6 8LR.

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2. For more information on Anne Jirsch please visit her website at [www.annejirsch.com](http://www.annejirsch.com)