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'SUMMER WINE' STAR JULIETTE KAPLAN CHAMPIONS COUNSEL AND CARE AT ITS CHAIRMAN'S RECEPTION

Counsel and Care, the national charity working with older people, their families and carers to get the best care and support, was delighted with the success of yesterday's (Wednesday 9th February 2011) Chairman's Reception, with the actress Juliette Kaplan as guest speaker .

At the reception, Peter Watt was welcomed as Counsel and Care's new Chief Executive. Attendees were given an opportunity to find out more about the organisation, and to learn about the important work the charity undertakes. For almost 60 years, Counsel and Care has been providing a voice for older people, empowering them to get the best care and support. It is because of generous individuals and companies that we are able to continue to provide high quality, tailored advice and support.

Juliette Kaplan, best known as Pearl from Last of the Summer Wine, said: "It was my pleasure to raise awareness about such an important charity. There is a lot of work to be done and I am glad Counsel and Care is around to advise and campaign for older people and their families. I wish Counsel and Care continued success!"

Peter Watt, Chief Executive, Counsel and Care, said: " I am honoured to join such a wonderful charity supporting older people, their families and carers. In this changing financial landscape, it is heartening to see people come together for a great cause. There will be tough times ahead and with the support of those who attended tonight and the community Counsel and Care will be able to ensure older people get the best care and support possible."

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NOTES TO EDITORS

1. The Counsel and Care Chairman's Reception took place from 6:00pm to 8:00pm on Wednesday 9 February at City University Club, central London. Photographs of the event are available on request.
2. Counsel and Care is a national charity working with older people, their families and carers to get the best care and support. Advice on issues affecting older people and carers can be obtained by calling 0845 300 7585 or emailing advice@counselandcare.org.uk
3. Counsel and Care's Advice Service opening hours are 10am-4pm Monday-Friday.
4. More information about Counsel and Care can be obtained from www.counselandcare.org.uk