MADFISH: Hopes to be first woman to swim around Manhattan Island

New York record swimming bid is given a cash boost

WORLD record breaking swimmer Madfish has been given a welcome donation to help towards her next attempt.

Dr Julie Bradshaw MBE, who has smashed 19 world records since the age of 15 and was more recently also elected onto Charnwood Borough Council, will fly over to New York in July to become the first female to swim the 28.5 mile course around Manhattan Island.

The trip is set to cost her £3,000 and once again she hopes to raise some much needed funds for Rainbows Hospice.

United Carpets in Melton Mowbray recently donated £300 towards the costs.

She told the Echo: “I cover the costs of the swim myself and have sponsorship forms for Rainbows. I have had a few people donate individually and am exceedingly grateful to Mark Tilson of United Carpets, Melton Mowbray, who came forward with a cheque for £300 for the swim.

“I am very grateful to Loughborough Leisure Centre for allowing me a lane to swim long periods of butterfly which have been vital to the build up. The University has been great, too and of course, I have been using my outdoor Endless Pool to acclimatise to the colder conditions!”

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Lesley Pendleton, caretaker, said: “It may appear we are preparing for the weather but we always do our homework.”