community matters

Introduction

Welcome to the 5th Summer edition of Community Matters, where you'll read all about how we help our community every day! We are keen to hear your views, so please send any of your questions or thoughts to our Community Champion at alison.linskey@landsec.com

2017/18 Corporate Responsibility Total £34,774.78

We are pleased to have been able to support so many wonderful charities and organisations during 2017/18. We aim to achieve an increased total of £40K in 2018/19

How we reached this total

- Cash or other donations to Barnardo's, Herts Young Homeless and other local charities from fundraising events
- Provided space for local charities to raise awareness
- Volunteering hours by staff
- Education activities
- Arise Grants
- Jobs Fair
- Barnardo's Corporate Partnership
- Herts Young Homeless Local Partnership

Education Partners & Activities

Dragons Apprentice Challenge Winners!

Students from Monks Walk School were this year's DAC



winners, heralded as most creative and entrepreneurial overall in generating profit for their charity Cat Survival Trust. The awards ceremony was held at Barclays HQ at Canary Wharf. Pictured above and below are the students collecting their award and the Super Dragons who chose the winning school.



Education Partners & Activities

The Galleria Work Experience Programme

Chloe Twohig, year 10 student from Onslow St Audrey's Secondary school, attended her work placement at The Galleria management suite. Chloe work shadowed every department from General Manager duties to cleaning. Chloe most enjoyed working on the customer services desk and gained invaluable CV and interview tips as part of the programme. We wish Chloe every success in her career path. If your school students would like to take part in The Galleria work experience programme then please contact The Galleria Community Champion.



Hatfield Community Games 12th June

It's that time of year again when local primary school children come together at Hatfield Community Games to take part in a wide variety of different sports. This year the children will have the opportunity to try Volleyball, Dance, Badminton and Tennis. Alongside these activities they will also be able to explore more about healthy living and road safety. Young leaders from local secondary schools will provide support for the event and staff from The Galleria management suite, store team members and Ocado staff are also volunteering.

The festival is organised by the charity SportInspired to inspire and motivate local students to learn new skills and develop new relationships through the power of sporting activity. It is funded by The Galleria and Ocado. The University of Hertfordshire generously donates its facilities and space for the event.







Summer Fun Activities for children in the borough during August.

The Galleria will be supporting the Big Summer 2018 campaign due to take place during 1–19 August. All events and activities will be live on the interactive calendar from 1st July 2018. Visit www.welhat.gov.uk/bigsummer for more details.



Charitable Partner & Other Planned

Charitable Activities

Barnardo's

We've reached the end of the first year of our national charity partnership with Barnardo's, the UK's largest children's charity.

We're looking forward to a second year of partnering with Barnardo's and supporting the vital work they do to help the UK's most vulnerable children lead positive and fulfilling lives.

Caroline Hill, our Head of Sustainability and Public Affairs-"We'd like to say a huge thank you to everyone who has been involved in the first year of our national charity partnership. Whether you've dressed up in green or a Christmas jumper, run a bake sale, taken part in a team challenge, or purchased a Barnardo's Day raffle ticket you've all played a part in transforming children's' lives."

Sustainability & Biodiversity

Landsec made a commitment to achieve a 25% net gain in Biodiversity and selected five of its environmentally suitable retail centres (including The Galleria) to be part of this.



The Galleria has a three year biodiversity plan, which commenced last April. With the engagement of our service partner for our horticulture contract, Endymion and with the team at Waste not Want not, we put together a practical programme of works to support our contribution towards that 25%.

Last year we created a dedicated area for wildlife to grow and installed seven bird boxes. Both of these are on the East side of the site. We also removed and re-bedded planting to the North entrance, all of which are recommended plants that help aid biodiversity.

This year we intend to enhance planting around the site and install a pond, which will provide a safe protected place for wildlife to thrive.

Since April 2017, our company Landsec has raised over £100,000 which will support Barnardo's vital frontline services such as:

- Support for young children escaping abuse – a safe place to stay, a warm meal and a personal survival kit
- Accommodation for homeless families, allowing children to gain stability and support
- One to one support sessions for exploited children

In addition to the above funding raised, we've also had the pleasure across the UK at our shopping centres of providing some great experience days for Barnado's affiliated children.

Clean Up Hatfield

Staff from Interserve, local businesses and neighbours from the Hatfield area took part in a recent litter pick as part of the Clean Up Hatfield programme. Interserve staff took the lead by doing daily picks all around the boundary of The Galleria. The staff managed to fill a 1,100 litre container with the litter they picked up. Pictured below is the subway that was cleared.





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FUNDING OF UP TO

Arise Hatfield supports community groups and initiatives within Hatfield, with funding of up to £1000. So whether you're looking to launch a new idea or just improve the services you currently offer - we can help!

To find out more please get in touch:

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OUR COMMUNITY SPACE

At The Galleria the one thing we are not short of is space!

We offer our space **FREE** of charge to local charities and voluntary groups so that they can raise awareness, promote their great work and more importantly fundraise.

We have a number of different size promotional spaces in The Galleria to cater for all events.

If you would like to book some FREE space please email alison.linskey@landsec.com for more details.

Volunteers Needed Now!

Would you like to become a volunteer? Do you have four hours a week spare?

Then why not get involved. The Galleria Garden opposite McDonald's needs volunteers to keep it looking beautiful and this is where we need your help!

Any skills you may have will be put to good use at The Galleria Garden. Our current volunteers have described the project as a life saver, and an extended family.

Regular volunteers are able to purchase plants at half of their retail price. This enables volunteers on a limited income to buy gifts for friends and family or they could even fund their gardening activity.

With all volunteering it helps you as an individual to expand and learn more and also gain confidence in every-day life.

If you can spare a couple of hours on a Tuesday we would love to hear from you!

WASTE NOT WANT NOT 'nurturing plants and people'

Patron: Kim Wilde



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www.wastenotwantnot.org.uk

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