

Responsibility – Social

Our social contributions

2025 highlights

- Raised £232,000 for Teenage Cancer Trust at our 'Big Lunch' event
 - Received Special Recognition Award as its longest-standing corporate supporter
- Delivered £1.4m in funding through our community funds since their inception in 2013
 - Introduced a multi-year funding model, giving charities greater certainty and visibility for forward planning
- Committed £119,000 through our Sponsorship & Donations Committee to tackle homelessness

We strive to ensure our buildings deliver lasting social value for the communities in which they sit and for all stakeholders.

Our approach to social value

Delivering social value is integral to our business. We maximise positive impact through targeted financial support provided by our Sponsorship & Donations Committee and our Community Fund. This is complemented by active engagement with local communities. Volunteering, work experience and opening our buildings up to community groups help us stay connected to the community so we can understand local needs and deliver meaningful outcomes.

Our Social Value Strategic Framework is based on three themes which guide how we create meaningful impact in our communities. We continued to deliver against these themes in 2025. In 2026, we intend to undertake a full review of the framework, initially published in 2023, to ensure it remains relevant and effective. This will help us ensure our approach continues to maximise our social impact as community needs, societal expectations and best practice continue to evolve.

Progress against each theme in 2025:

- **'Part of the neighbourhood'**
Fitz Music supports Fitzrovia's cultural heritage by delivering a free, inclusive programme of cultural events. We have committed three years of funding to this initiative through our Community Fund.
- **'Great places to work'**
We design buildings and spaces that support connection, health and wellbeing. In April, occupiers from across the portfolio took part in the White Collar Factory rooftop half marathon to raise funds for charity.
- **'A thriving local economy'**
As part of the Network W1 construction programme, our building contractor, Kier, embedded a focused approach to local employment, skills and progression – delivering benefits to the local community and economy.

£504k

Community funds & sponsorship donations committed in 2025

20

Community Fund projects supported in 2025

£4.6m

Sponsorship donations provided to date

Opening doors to opportunity

This year we partnered with Islington Council's Youth Employability and Skills (YES) programme and our front-of-house service partner PROception to create a tailored work experience placement at 80 Charlotte Street W1. The YES programme supports young adults aged 18-25 who face barriers to employment, offering pre-employment coaching and real-world experience.

Through this collaboration, a young person gained hands-on front-of-house experience in a professional environment, supported by PROception's expert team. The placement built the candidate's confidence and customer service skills, and led to further work experience at Brunel Building W1, thereby strengthening the individual's career prospects.

This initiative is a good example of how we work with local authorities and service partners to deliver social value beyond funding by creating practical pathways into employment and helping young people build sustainable futures.



Continued to support our community funds

We operate two community funds: Community Fund West (est. 2013) and Community Fund East (est. 2016). These funds support grassroots projects focused on community events, environmental improvements, health and wellbeing activities, music and culture, and support for marginalised groups. By extension, our approach also promotes wider engagement through corporate volunteering, school partnerships, and work experience.

Following the launch in 2013, over £1.4m has been awarded, supporting more than 200 projects – from renewing children’s playgrounds to running music sessions in care homes and funding lunch clubs for older people.

We introduced a new multi-year funding model in 2025 – committing £450,000 for 2025 to 2027 – providing charities with greater certainty and visibility for forward planning.

Other activities

In 2025, our Sponsorship & Donations Committee committed £350,000 in charitable donations. Some of the ways these funds were used to create value in the community during the year included:

EY Foundation's Real Estate Futures Programme

We supported work experience placements and mentoring for young people interested in real estate careers. Several employees acted as mentors, helping participants develop skills and confidence. We intend to participate in the programme again in 2026.

NSPCC Proper Trek

We sponsored NSPCC’s first property-sector fundraiser, with White Collar Factory EC1 acting as the penultimate host building for the walkers.

Host the Teacher event

In collaboration with The Academy of Real Assets, our White Collar Factory building hosted an event bringing together teachers, occupiers and service partners to discuss career pathways for young people within the real estate sector.

Enduring partnerships that make a difference

Our long-standing relationships with Teenage Cancer Trust (TCT) and LandAid demonstrate the power of sustained, high-impact community investment. Together, they have raised approximately £2.4m to date, delivering measurable benefits in a cost-efficient way.

These enduring collaborations reflect our belief in long-term relationships that deliver real social value and adapt to changing needs over time.

Teenage Cancer Trust – Over 20 years of support

In 2025, our biennial Big Lunch fundraiser raised £232,000, contributing to total fundraising of more than £2.2m since the partnership began in 2001. This year, we were honoured with a Special Recognition Award from TCT, acknowledging our role as its longest-standing corporate supporter and our commitment to transforming the lives of young people with cancer.



LandAid – 15 years of impact

Our partnership with LandAid reflects our commitment to addressing youth homelessness through targeted grants and initiatives. By combining resources and expertise, we help create safe, supportive environments for vulnerable young people across London and beyond.

Our support in 2025 included participation in LandAid fundraising events and sponsorship of its Gala Dinner, which raised £364,000 on the night to help change young lives. Since the partnership began 15 years ago, we have raised £218,000 directly for LandAid.

“Derwent London’s dedication to supporting LandAid’s mission is remarkable. From involvement in our events, to the team’s impressive fundraising skills, it’s a pleasure to work alongside you. I look forward to another meaningful year ahead, particularly as we celebrate 40 years of impact in 2026. Thank you for standing with us to end youth homelessness – together, we are making a real difference.”

Jess Strudwick
LandAid – National Partnerships
Manager