Teviot Estate Developments LLP

# Social Value Report

2022-2023







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Andrew van Doorn OBE Chief Executive HACT

### **Introductory statement**

Generating social value and in turn enhancing people's lives is increasingly becoming an integral part of the success of projects in the social housing sector. HACT have pioneered the measurement of social impact in social housing since 2012 and work closely in collaboration with our partners towards shared goals is a key part of what we do.

HACT have worked in partnership with Poplar HARCA and Hill on the social value programme for Teviot estate regeneration project from the outset and it's been fantastic to see how much this programme has achieved in its first year of delivery. Teviot's ambitious social value programme is leading the way for the industry and it has the potential to become an exemplar project for all estate regeneration projects across the UK.

The resident-led approach implemented at Teviot highlights the importance of listening to the community to bring forward the opportunities they truly want to see happen within their neighbourhood. The success of the activities and programmes set up to date reflects this, with particularly strong engagement from Teviot residents themselves as well as the wider Poplar community. For the past two years we

have been priveladge to be guided by Katrina Wright as the Resident Champion on the Social Value Progamme Board. As she steps down from this role I want to thank her for her support, her passion, and her unwavering commitment to making a difference in her community.

As the programme progresses, I look forward to seeing how we are able to work together to deliver more positive, lasting impact for Teviot residents. Ultimately, social value is about the impact that we make and the transformation we then see in the lives of people living in Teviot and the wider community. What you will see from our second annual review is the difference we are making together and the investment we are making in people and their community.



### **About Teviot**

Teviot is a unique neighbourhood located in Poplar, Tower Hamlets, with a thriving community and heritage. There are currently circa 535 homes within the proposed development boundary, with a mixture of tenanted and leasehold properties. The regeneration led by the partnership between Poplar HARCA and Hill Group (TED LLP – Teviot Estate Development Limited Liability Partnership) proposes to provide more than 1,750 new homes, new green and play spaces, shops, community and faith facilities and improved infrastructure. On top of these, the TED LLP has committed to deliver a Social Value Plan through a Community Chest Fund (CCF).

This report outlines the social value generated through the programmes funded by the CCF.

The first round of the Community Chest Fund (from July 2021 - December 2022) has provided funding to over 50 projects that all aim to improve the lives of Teviot residents. In January 2023, we have committed a second round of funding to over 30 community projects. We have funded the 2022 Teviot Festival which was held in the heart of the Teviot Estate showcasing local groups and young talent with over 500 people attending. We have navigated the Cost-of-Living Crisis that emerged in 2022 working to support those residents that have been worst

affected. The community came out in force to celebrate both the Platinum Jubilee 2022 and the King's Coronation in early 2023, with Hill Group providing a once in a lifetime opportunity for a group of young people from Spotlight to visit Scotland and attend a youth led 'Platinum Jubilee Youth Spectacular' event.

The TED LLP has now become embedded within the Teviot community and has established strong relationships with both residents and local community organisations. These organisations have played a pivotal role in delivering the social value impact that has been generated to date.





Poplar HARCA and Hill, through the joint venture company TED, are continuing to work closely together with local residents to shape a vision that:



Protects the close and strong community



Provides new high-quality homes



Creates beautiful and usable open spaces and community facilities



Delivers a place which is welcoming and safe for all

# Commitment to deliver social value

The Teviot Estate Development joint venture remains committed to achieving wider social and economic benefits through this regeneration scheme, beyond the bricks and mortar, for the local community, its residents, and local stakeholders.







Activating the social value delivery early in the development was always key to ensure that benefits started to be realised well before construction commenced. Over a year into delivery and the joint venture team has made great progress, working in partnership with local organisations, delivering meaningful and measurable outcomes that aim to improve the lives of Teviot residents.

#### Measuring Social Value

The HACT (Housing Associations' Charitable Trust ) Wellbeing Valuation methodology is applied, using the UK Social Value Bank measures (developed by HACT and Simetrica-Jacobs),

which allows us to measure the success of an intervention by how much it increases a person's wellbeing.

#### **Resident Involvement**

The priority areas that the delivery plan focuses on were determined initially via themes that arose in Poplar HARCA's 'Listening Campaign' consultation with residents, being mapped against measures from the UK Social Value Bank. This approach has continued, with residents being consulted at the

Social Value Residents Steering Group, ensuring that the priority areas are still current and relevant. At the end of the first delivery plan, it was decided that one of the outcomes would be swapped out to align to the rise in the cost of living occurring, and to ensure residents could be supported.

### The Social Value Delivery Plan Focuses on 12 Outcomes namely:

- 1 Full-time employment
- 2 Apprenticeships
- 3 General training for jobs
- 4 Not worried about crime
- 5 No litter problems
- 6 Feel belonging to neighbourhood

- 7 Able to obtain advice locally
- 8 Good overall health
- 9 Access to internet
- 10 Afford to keep house well-decorated/financial comfort\*
- 11 Go to youth clubs
- 12 Member of social group

Over the lifetime of the development, the social value commitment by Teviot Estate Developments LLP will deliver an output value of more than £240,000,000\*. How these outputs will be delivered is detailed in the social value delivery plan, setting out the anticipated timescales for delivery, chosen partners for delivery and the methodology around the approaches being taken.



<sup>\*</sup>Subject to change over the development timeline, in line with SVB valuations





of social impact has been created in partnership since the project started in July 2021

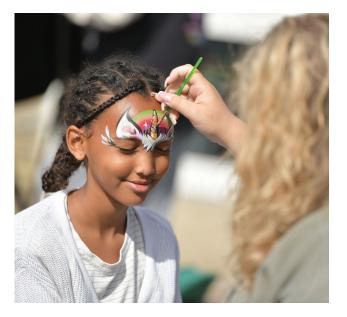
- Over 50 social impact projects delivered to date
- £245,000 invested in community organisations over 2021 - 2022
- Further £172,500 to be invested over 2022-2023



# Evolving the Delivery Plan

The Social Value Manager leads the delivery and implementation of the Social Value Delivery Plan and is the key day-to-day contact for stakeholders involved with delivery, and driving the TED LLP-led activities and initiatives forwards.





HACT are still a key strategic partner on the Teviot development providing subject specialist advice on approaches, as the delivery plan has had to naturally adapt and flex.

One of the approaches that HACT supported with was the update to the Social Value Bank values that happens every 5 years, and how the new values should be incorporated and/or adjusted.

As the delivery plan is targeted towards improving the lives of Teviot residents as a priority, it has remained to be crucial to have the residents invovled with the plan and assessing the overall success. The Social Value Residents Steering Group continue to meet regularly to keep residents informed

Before Delivery Plan 2 commenced, an application process was run for local community organisations or groups to apply for funding from the second round of Community Chest Funding. This provided groups with the opportunity to outline what impact they anticipated to generate from their activities. The Grant Review Panel reviewed all the applications received and distributed the funds in line with the outcome areas and the delivery plan KPI's set out to be achieved for the second period.

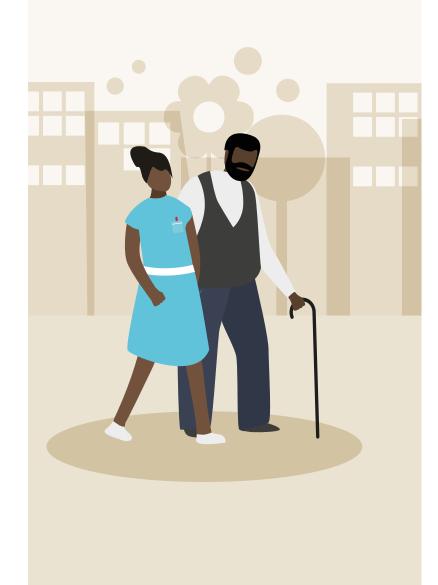


### **Quality of Life Questionnaire**

Following the collection of the baseline data from the initial Quality of Life questionnaire, we have been able to carry out a comparison to display what, if any, impact is being felt within the community as a result of the Community Chest Funded projects and wider benefits.

There are considerations to allow for when comparing the datasets that could affect a clear result, however, the questionnaire does provide us with a wider lens across the community rather than confined to just those beneficiaries that are participating in the projects. We won't always see an increase year on year as the community on Teviot starts to change as the development progresses and external factors like the Cost-of-Living Crisis can affect responses too. However, the dataset does provide us with future target areas that require focus.

The questionnaire covered the six outcomes which are survey-based questions: Not worried about crime, No litter problems, Feel belonging to neighbourhood, able to obtain advice locally, good overall health and afford to keep house well-decorated





### NOT WORRIED ABOUT CRIME

(5% decrease from 2021)

#### **KEY TOPICS HIGHLIGHTED:**

- Anti-social behaviour
- Poor lighting
- Burglaries/mugging



### ARE ABLE TO OBTAIN ADVICE LOCALLY

(Same as 2021)

#### **KEY TOPICS HIGHLIGHTED:**

- Support networks
- Community services



### BELIEVE THAT THERE ARE NO LITTER PROBLEMS

(25% increase from 2021)

#### **KEY TOPICS HIGHLIGHTED:**

- Waste collection
- Fly tipping
- Dog mess and vermin



### FEEL THAT THEY BELONG IN THE NEIGHBOURHOOD

(3% decrease from 2021)

#### **KEY TOPICS HIGHLIGHTED:**

• Friends and neighbours have moved



### HAVE GOOD OVERALL HEALTH

(1% decrease from 2021)

#### **KEY TOPICS HIGHLIGHTED:**

- General poor health
- Access and mobility issues



### CAN AFFORD TO DECORATE THEIR HOME

(31% decrease from 2021)

#### **KEY TOPICS HIGHLIGHTED:**

- Cost of living impact
- Damp and mould
- Require support with updates

### Governance

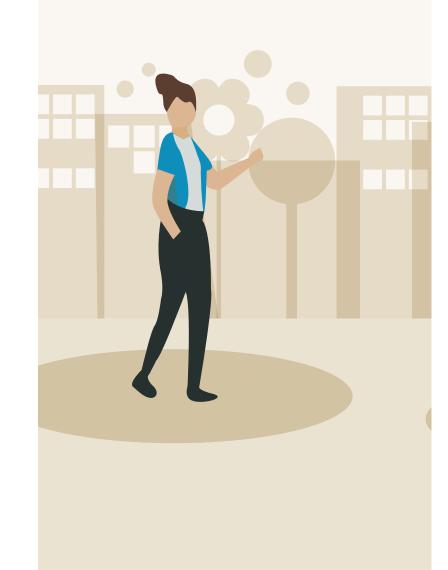
The initial governance structure remains in place, ensuring that the social value delivery is managed successfully, with the Social Value Programme Board chaired by HACT chief executive Andrew van Doorn OBE overseeing the performance and viability of the delivery plan.

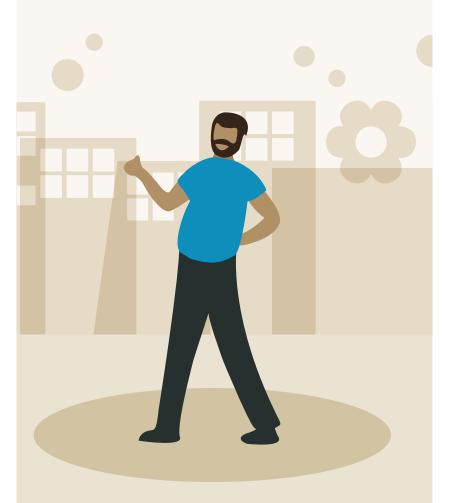
The Board has played a crucial role in assessing the progress being made, the quality of delivery and reviewing any risks that have occurred that could affect the successful implementation of the plan. The Social Value Programme Board meets quarterly and reports into the TED LLP board on a bi-monthly basis.

The Social Value Resident Steering Group continues to meet to maintain accountability as well as to be informed of progress being made with the delivery plan, to share the projects currently going on and also to provide a forum for residents to suggest future areas of delivery that could be addressed.

The appointed resident social value champion Katrina continues with their position, providing important insights directly into the board from the perspective of a resident, and has helped shape how we communicate the successes of the delivery plan effectively to the Teviot Community. Katrina has also supported the promotion of Community Chest-funded projects and actively encourages resident involvement and participation in the activities delivered through the social value programme.

The audit by HACT has been completed on the first delivery plan outcomes. This gives the Board, the TED LLP and residents of Teviot sufficient assurances about the impact claims.







### **HACT**

Andrew van Doorn OBE, Chief Executive<sup>1</sup>

### **POPLAR HARCA**

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**Andy Fancy**, Regional Managing Director<sup>2</sup>

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### **TEVIOT RESIDENT**

Katrina Wright, Resident Champion<sup>3</sup>

1 - Chair of Social Value Programme Board, 2 - SVPB and TED LLP Board members, 3 - SVPB and CSVG members

# Employment and training

Employment and training are the foundations to economic growth and could provide residents with the opportunity to live prosperous lives. The ambition is to provide residents with the skills and qualifications to access local job opportunities generated by the development and within the local surrounding area.



### **Employment and training outcomes**



Full-time employment



**Apprenticeships** 



General training for jobs



The opportunity to create a role was identified with Leaders in Community – who operate the Centre - to be the 'Front of House' for the Teviot Centre, to meet and greet people that come along.

Creating this role felt important, to have a friendly face engaging with the residents and to be a point of contact to advise and direct to services available at the Centre. The Community Chest funding enabled this role to be created in partnership with Leaders in Community.

Mashiat Hussain, a local resident of Teviot, was appointed the role in early March and has made a great impact since joining the team.



"I am thoroughly enjoying my role at LIC, I can build relationships within the community I grew up in and provide support to everyone who comes in. LIC is a huge part of my life now and I hope to stay with them for a long time"

Mashiat

### **Spotlight Talent Pool**

The Spotlight Talent Pool is an employability programme targeted at young people, working towards upskilling and building their confidence, preparing them for future employment.

Building on the already great work that Spotlight do to support their young people, the funding provided to the Talent Pool covered putting the 20 programme participants through a formal Level 2 Customer Service qualification, allowing them to develop essential soft skills required for employment and add this to their CV.

Funding also covered team building activities outside of the classroom, which further supported the development of their interpersonal skills in a different environment including; problem solving, communication and team work

Aneesa took part in the Talent Pool - completing her Level 2 qualification and scoring full marks – allowing her to engage with young people outside of her friendship group and notably growing in confidence over the programme. Since the programme, Aneesa has been successful in gaining employment at Next and is pursuing further opportunities through contacts made via Talent Pool.

"Since taking part in the Talent Pool, I would describe my journey as a success. I was able to access opportunities which I previously had no exposure too. Coming from Tower Hamlets where opportunities are limited, I would often see my dreams as a distant thought, the program made this a reality for me".



Aneesa

### **Circular Food Co-Ordinator & Green Skills Programme**

An employment opportunity was created with MAD Leap for a Circular Food Coordinator to support the delivery of a 'Green Skills' programme, as well as helping to maintain the growing areas under supervision by MAD Leap and R Urban.

The Green Skills programme sought to upskill and train participants via workshops on sustainability more broadly as well as the food and waste systems in more detail.

Katrina was a regular attendee to sessions hosted at the growing areas and has been a resident on Teviot for 42 years, so being appointed to the position was a great opportunity.

Over the last year Katrina has been pivotal to the delivery of the workshops and sessions delivered to local residents and her efforts have been rewarded with the Teviot Community Garden – one of the growing areas – coming in third place for the Tower Hamlets in Bloom Awards.

"I never imagined in all my years, that I would be doing my dream job that involves food growing and passing on these skills, and now I am. I most enjoy sowing seeds, nurturing plants, and that I get to take families in my community, and volunteers, on this journey with me in the form of green skills education and eating the food they've grown. My role is more than a job, it's amazing for my overall wellbeing, educating my own children, and is creating a lasting legacy within the community and beyond. Positively impacting on the environment, is extremely rewarding"



Katrina

### **Design Engineer Construct**

Over the last 18 months Langdon Park School has been implementing the Design Engineer Construct (DEC) programme into their KS3 curriculum. Over 300 students have so far benefited. DEC enables young people to engage with the built environment education, developed in line with school-specific agendas like Gatsby Benchmarks and Fusion skills. Students learn how to design, plan and build a variety of buildings using industry standard practices and software.

To support the in-class learning, both Hill Group and the consultants supporting the Teviot regeneration scheme have been providing industry insights, workshops and student site visits to enhance and bring to life the built environment industry. Further to this, students from KS4 have been offered the opportunity to carry out work experience to gain valuable exposure and experience in workplace settings.

"Employer support for the DEC programme provided by TED LLP has helped students meet employers in a variety of contexts, from in-class learning sessions to site visits. In addition, two of our teachers have benefitted from Class Of Your Own's CPD and training in relation to the built environment."







people supported into employment



newly created roles subsidised with Community Chest Fund money



people completed training or upskilling opportunities



hours delivering school engagement



**500**+

people seen at careers fairs



Weeks of work experience

### Local Environment

We are setting out to create a safe and clean community for people to live in, that they feel like they belong and can be themselves, with the opportunity to thrive. Whilst ensuring that if residents require support or specialist advise, they understand and are aware of the services available to them in their local area and these services are accessible.



### Local Environment outcomes



Able to obtain advice locally



No litter problems



Feel belonging to neighbourhood



Not worried about crime

### **Community Mural**

Local artist Rose Hill from Co-Creative Connection hosted art workshops funded by the Community Chest Fund, for residents to attend and be guided along the creative process to co-create a mural.

The workshops taught participants varying elements such as how to mood board for inspiration and how to integrate different pattern designs.

Finally, the group produced a design, using patterns to represent the local area and the people of Teviot. Integrated in the design were some of the following representations:

- Macintosh Tartan to represent the Scottish heritage of Teviot
- Fruit & Vegetables to represent the community food growing spaces and growers
- Bunting to represent the community
   Platinum Jubilee celebrations
- Poplar Trees representing the trees found in Poplar

"We worked on a wonderful art wall as a community project...
not only was it a great learning experience but also a great bonding
and therapeutic time for my family."

Falone 23

### **Teviot Community Garden - Food Growing**

In 2022, The Teviot Community garden located within the Teviot Community Centre was re-designed and refreshed by Leaders in Community with funding from Tower Hamlets Council and the London Marathon Charitable Trust.

The funding from the Community Chest Fund enabled the delivery of the growing programme and support provided by local organisations MAD Leap, R Urban and Leaders in Community.

At the end of the growing season the growers gathered to harvest, cook and eat the produce they had been tending to over the season. It was fantastic to see the community come together to collectively create and share something amazing.







### **Compost Club**

Funding has supported the Compost Club at R Urban to work with the network of local community gardens to improve composting facilities and develop training and skills among food growers.

The club has been working on expanding the existing food waste recycling programme at R-Urban Poplar, introducing new green waste

recycling facilities alongside wider engagement with food waste recycling through low-waste workshops.

"We had local residents attend as well as welcoming people from other community gardens around the borough for the first time. Some people had prior knowledge of saving banana skins and such, but it was great to have a more comprehensive look at the ways composting is beneficial to the garden. The atmosphere was really friendly and welcoming, we're a close-knit group."







### **Community Heroes**

Spotlight gathered 30 young people across two sessions to take part in a water sports session on the Limehouse Cut.

The session provided the young people with the opportunity to learn how to kayak and they also carried out a litter pick on the water, gathering litter from the canal that can't be reached from the pathway and understanding the importance of keeping the area litter-free.

The young people collectively gathered 10kg worth of rubbish during their sessions, helping keep their community clean, whilst having a great time.

"It was fun helping clean up the canal and getting to do canoeing at the same time"



### **Be Green**

Be.Green is a climate leadership program delivered by Leaders in Community for young people aged 16-21, aimed at those interested in learning more about climate change and how to take action. The Community Chest provided funding for a cohort of the Be.Green programme, with the young people selected attending a series of workshops from local changemakers who are working on innovative and inspiring climate projects.

With the aim of creating young leaders within the community, the group chose a topic they were passionate about and carried out a mini project. This cohort targeted improving the appearance of Teviot, carrying out litter picks to remove the rubbish that had been dropped.

"There is a huge litter and rubbish problem here in Teviot and in Tower Hamlets overall, all the streets and green spaces always have rubbish laying around. I'm glad LiC is actively helping towards solving this problem. The fact that you guys are doing this litter pick, it really supports the community."

Tony

### **Sustainable and Plastic Free Workshops**

Sunny Jar Eco Hub ran a series of funded workshops at the Teviot Centre for people to learn how to make simple changes or to take small steps to live a more sustainable life, using less plastic.

The sessions covered areas including mending rather than buying new, low waste and natural toiletries, natural cleaning products and an introduction to low waste living.

Workshop participants commented, "I feel excited and reinvigorated to incorporate zero waste practice into my cleaning"

"I learnt that I can use household items to make my own skin care products, especially coffee waste, and how to repair holes in my T-shirts so I don't have to throw them away"

Workshop participant

### **Recycling Summer Programme**

Young people from Spotlight have expressed concern over people entering the pedestrian area outside of the building on bikes, carrying out thefts and getting away quickly. At a recent round table forum, they said that this has become a common occurrence.

Spotlight worked with R Urban to design and build planters out of recycled materials, R Urban supporting them with the design and teaching the young people the relevant skills required to construct, whilst learning about recycled materials. The planters were to be placed outside of Spotlight

to reduce the width of pedestrian pathway - still allowing for disability access - to slow cyclists down in this space and work to reduce the number of thefts happening in the area.

### **Lighting Consultation Walk**

The Teviot Estate Development (TED) team appointed Light Follows Behaviour, a lighting consultant, to work with the residents on initially identifying the lighting issues across the estate. Some of these issues included under-lighting and over-lighting causing stark contrasting areas in light and dark, which subsequently affect how your eyes adjust whilst passing through these spaces.

The next step was to work with the residents to identify a lighting initiative that could be progressed to contribute to improved safety across the estate. Light Follows Behaviour had great engagement from the residents on the estate walk, with lots keen to discuss their current concerns and provide insight on what made them feel safer.







large scale community events took place



1400 people attended community events



340
people received specialist advice



£2,500

worth of tablets, travel discounts and Vodafone data bank vouchers distributed



50kg

of black bag equiv. rubbish removed from Teviot

# Health and Wellbeing

Seeing improvements in people's health can have a substantial effect on their subjective wellbeing, and in turn potentially improves the likelihood of fulfilling other outcomes, such as employment, financial stability and improved confidence. Projects will aim to make either or both physical and mental health improvements.



## Health and Wellbeing outcomes



Good overall health

### **Cycling Programme**

Working together with a number of local partners – Leaders in Community, Sustrans and Poplar HARCA's WellOne team – to deliver a programme aiming to encourage residents to have a go at cycling. The programme incorporated different sessions including;

- 1 Dr Bike FREE bike fixes and repairs
- 2 Learn to Ride step by step to master cycling
- Family Cycle Skills cycle sessions for all the family
- 4 Improve your skills honing your cycling skills

- 5 Cycle loans for local residents to loan a bike
- 6 Wheels for Wellbeing cycle related wellbeing activities
- Renovate a Bike learn to upcycle a bike





"It is a very good opportunity to learn to make a bicycle in a comfortable centre. It's awesome, we've learnt a lot of things, it's not basic either! I've learnt how to fix my bike and do safety checks"

Samina 3

### **Young Person Wellbeing Forum**

On Thursday 14th July, 120 young people attended the Wellbeing Forum hosted at Spotlight. The event saw two sets of keynote speeches and panel discussions, along with a series of workshops looking at social media, language and even teaching teachers how to better understand mental wellbeing in 2022.

The event stressed the importance of mental health education for young people and aimed to tackle stigma and empower and inspire young people to go out into their communities to create positive change within mental wellbeing.

A number of attendees stressed that what they had learnt would help them to have great conversations with their peers about mental wellbeing and how to get help.





"We can't have a future without prioritising our wellbeing."





### **Over 50's Social Hub**

A weekly coffee morning is hosted at the Teviot Centre, supported by funding from the Community Chest Fund, attended by local residents over the age of 50.

Later in 2022 a weekly exercise session was introduced to grow the hub, which included chair stretches and exercises, and playing boccia (a ball game similar to bowls). From this the Fit

and Feisty group was established. The social hub plays a huge part in bringing residents together that could otherwise be isolated.

"I have been alone throughout the whole pandemic and it really made me feel lonely. It is great to attend sessions like this and just have someone to talk to, really"

Sharon

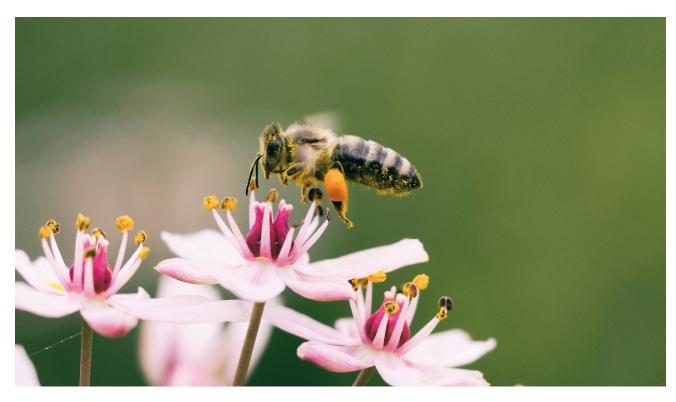




### **Bee. Spoke**

A training programme aimed at providing residents with the skills to help protect and increase the bee population in East London and maintain the apiary and hive on the Teviot Centre grounds.

Participants are trained to become beekeepers and gain the knowledge around the importance of bees for our environment, they will also be able to take part in the annual honey harvest to extract the honey from the hives.









320

people saw an improvement in their physical or mental health from participating in an activity



projects targeting health improvements



Weekly affordable Food Coop following an initial pilot scheme



Largest young person mental health ambassador event took place in East London

## Financial Inclusion

Our approach to financial inclusion within the social value programme follows two key focus areas (informed by Teviot estate residents):

- 1 To help close the digital divide by supporting as many households obtain access to the internet and the benefits that internet access can bring
- 2 To support households with low-income and financial difficultie to maintain upkeep of their homes



### Financial Inclusion outcomes





Afford to keep house well-decorated / financial comfort



### **Digital and Social Skills at The Hive**

The Hive (Poplar HARCA's Employment & Training Services Hub), delivered an accredited Personal & Social Skills course which incorporated digital skills and using social and leisure facilities, building the confidence of participants to use local facilities to get out and about and to be able to access services online.

Having the skills to effectively be able to use technology and online platforms, Naima's positive experience in the classroom inspired her to volunteer as a digital champion and give back to the community.

"I am feeling a little less nervous using the computer. I can now use the computer to upload my CV which will help me to find a job". "The tutor was really friendly and the training was offered in a welcoming and calming environment. The chance to meet peers helped to boost confidence".

Donald Naima

### Repair Café - Computer Session

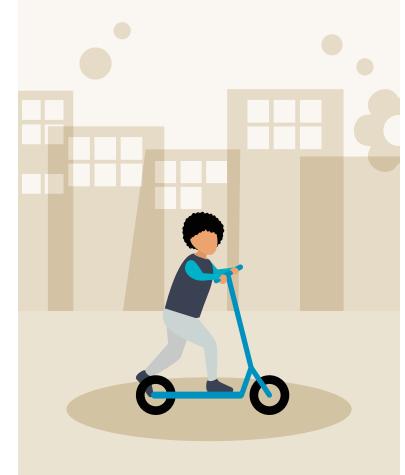
The Repair Café was launched in early 2022 by Public Works at R-Urban on the Teviot Estate, funded by a grant from the Community Chest Fund. One of the specialist repairs sessions hosted was 'How to build a PC Computer', in which participants learnt how to build a desktop PC, as well as sharing information on how to get hold of components cheaply and how to apply these skills to laptop repair.

The workshop was aimed at participants who don't have access to a home computer but also welcomed people who have their own computers and want to understand more about

how they work. At the end of the session, 5 PC's were provided to families that didn't have access to a computer at home.

"I've learned loads while I've been here as well, it's not just been about them, and just looking at things, being able to touch things, and the fact that you guys are just open to people being hands-on, even when we've done the workshops, it's been really hands-on, and it's welcoming."





Zareen

### **Money management clinic**

Following feedback from the Resident Steering Group workshops, advice and support with money management was a prevalent theme that was suggested on many occasions. It was therefore essential that we would be able to provide such a service within our first delivery plan phase.

TED LLP has collaborated with Clean Slate, a specialist in providing skills and training for people at risk of or affected by poverty and/or unemployment, to provide a fortnightly drop-in clinic at the Teviot Centre. These sessions allow support workers to deliver a money guidance service to low-income households, helping to maximise

their income, reduce spending and improve how they manage money.

In addition to the weekly drop-in clinics, a one-day workshop was launched in Spring 2022 to provide the solid foundations for good money management by helping individuals understand the benefits of budgeting, banking and being online.





380

people have gained access (or improved access) to the internet at home, via provision of a device or gaining digital skills



**32** 

people attended sessions to learn skills to repair household items rather than buying new (to overall save money)



**100%** 

of the Digital and Social skills course participants claimed an increase in confidence

# Youth and Social Groups

Building friendships and connections within the local area is important for personal wellbeing and supports wider community cohesion, so providing groups, clubs and spaces for people to meet and take part in activities to learn new skills and hobbies was of great importance.



### **Youth and Social Groups outcomes**



Go to youth clubs



Member of social group

### **Year 6 Transition Programme**

Spotlight partnered with Langdon Park School to deliver a week long programme with Year 6 students from local schools that were joining the secondary school in September 2022, to introduce them to their new school and community.

The programme aimed for the students to start to build positive relationships with both new peers and the staff at Spotlight and the school, hoping to ease their transition to a new school after the summer holidays.



### **Spotlight Girls Club**

Girls Club is a female led programme to support and empower young females with decision making, creativity, with advice and guidance available.

The programme sessions encourage young women to have their voice heard and to simultaneously build their leadership skills and confidence, providing a platform for them to speak about topics they are passionate about.

There is also a specialist initiative to Girls Club called "Music She Makes' which supports young women to develop creatively and start to establish themselves as artists/performers.





"I've been growing up as a singer and discovering who I am as an artist with Music She Makes since the beginning of the year. I would like to continue to advance my leadership skills, to become a mentor to other young girls and learn more about myself."



**Q** Gabby

### **Companions Series**

R Urban ran Companions series, described as a 'festival of learning' from August 31st - September 11th, supported by funding from the Community Chest Fund. Climate Companions aimed to explore the local neighbourhood, finding ways to critically and creatively engage with climate change, and build new companions for care and action.

Aiming to bring together a group (of "companions") who are passionate about Poplar and the environment to develop new skills, tools and knowledge, to move towards a more caring future for the neighbourhood and planet.

Taking an interest in how care is a form of action and an ethical approach to tackling climate change in cities. We see acts of care emerging in the neighbourhood; whether it's caring with/for others, caring for green spaces or caring with others species.

"I learned a lot. I've attended quite a few sessions like I say, and I think each session, I wouldn't say, "Oh, I love this one more than the other one," is interesting in itself. Firstly, meeting different people, because different people interest in different things, but also seeing the same people at all the workshops that I attended, and, yes, learning a lot of things that I never would have even thought about."



adults attended social groups as part of the social value programme



423

young people attended youth groups as part of the social value programme



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new groups established and provided capacity building

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### **Our Partners**

- Leaders in Community
- R Urban
- MAD Leap
- BPTW
- Class of Your Own
- East End Community Foundation

- Clean Slate
- HACT
- Langdon Park School
- Spotlight
- Bailey Garner
- London Marathon Charitable Trust

- WellOne
- Sustrans
- Teviot Action Group
- Fit For What
- Wapping Youth
- Kanda

- Lichfields
- The Hive
- Sunny Jar Eco Hub
- St Hilda's East



