

# Press release

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## **Red Kite Community Housing staff volunteer over 600 hours of their time during annual Community Morning**

Red Kite Community Housing once again demonstrated its commitment to its neighbourhoods through its annual Community Morning, where 180 staff members, tenant volunteers and partner organisations gave their time to support local charities and good causes.

On Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> June, Red Kite staff were out and about contributing to a wide range of projects that reflect the organisation's mission to make a positive impact in the communities it serves.

Sophie Field, Head of Red Kite's Resident and Community Engagement team, said:

"Community Morning is a really special celebration of our deep connection to local charities and good causes, and this year was our biggest yet! All staff, some contractors, and our wonderful tenant volunteers came together to deliver over 600 hours of volunteering across 38 placements."

Teams supported a wide variety of causes—from delivering bingo and quizzes in sheltered schemes and collecting foodbank donations, to gardening at Missenden and Lady Ryder, and hosting the fantastic Social Link team at our offices. "We're always looking to partner with more local organisations," Sophie added, "so please do get in touch if you'd like one of our teams to come to you next year!"

Other placements included environmental clean-ups, charity shop support, creative projects, and animal care at a wellbeing farm. A particular focus was placed on Red Kite's own housing schemes, where teams refreshed communal spaces and hosted activities bringing tenants together.

The High Wycombe-based housing association was also delighted to be joined by their valued partners, including Anthony Collins Solicitors, John O'Conner and Sureserve Compliance, whose participation added even more meaning to the day. Their support really showed what Community Morning is all about - working together to make a difference.

**Susan Hickey**, Interim Group Chief Executive, said: "This was my first Community Morning as CEO of Red Kite, and I can honestly say I've never experienced anything quite like it. Seeing every member of our team step away from their desks to give back to local causes was truly inspiring. The energy, compassion, and commitment on display reflect the very heart of who we are as an organisation. It's a powerful reminder that when we come together, we can make a real and lasting difference in our communities."

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**Notes to editor:**

**More about Red Kite:**

- Red Kite Community Housing is a tenant-led, not for profit, charitable housing organisation that was formed on 12 December 2011
- Red Kite owns and manages more than 6,600 homes all within 15 miles of High Wycombe, in the south of Buckinghamshire
- Red Kite's mission is building communities where people want to live, with tenants and leaseholders at the heart of everything we do
- We have a vision to have a reputation for outstanding customer care, quality of service and value for money.