

Press release

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Volunteers rewarded at Red Kite Community Housing Thank You event

Tenant volunteers who give their valuable time to help shape Red Kite Community Housing were recognised at the housing association's annual Thank You event on Wednesday (16th July).

With 65 active volunteers supporting Red Kite throughout the year, the event welcomed around half of them to a gathering to show appreciation for the valuable work they do.

Volunteers and staff shared stories, laughter, and reflections on the past year at the beach themed event held at Wycombe Heights Golf Club.

Sophie Field, Head of Resident and Community Engagement said: "Our volunteers are the heart of everything we do at Red Kite. Their meaningful involvement helps shape who we are as an organisation. This party is all about celebrating them and saying thank you for everything they do."

Susan Hickey, Interim Group CEO, and Alan Keers, Deputy Group CEO formally thanked everyone before presenting Length of Service Awards to long-standing volunteers.

Daffodil, who was presented with a Length of Service award said, "I really enjoy volunteering in EIG, I've learnt so much and met so many new people. I love that we're able to help our community and really enjoy being a part of a tenant-led organisation."

After the speeches, guests enjoyed a delicious lunch followed by several lively rounds of bingo, which proved to be a crowd favourite - so much so that attendees asked to keep playing!

The event concluded with more chatting, laughter, and a shared sense of pride and community spirit.

During the last financial year, Red Kite saw a remarkable 65 unique tenant volunteers involved in engagement activities, contributing an impressive 1,438 hours across 101 activities, meetings, and events - including 112 hours on staff interview panels. 16 new tenant volunteers were also welcomed to the team.

Red Kite Community Housing is proud to work alongside tenants to build stronger communities together.

Red Kite is always on the lookout for new tenants to join their team of volunteers, if you're a tenant of theirs and would like to learn more, head over to their website redkitehousing.org.uk/volunteering.

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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.