

# Businesses across London - join EECF for breakfast at the Sky Garden

30th June 2017



Image: Guests at the Sky Garden / Credit: EECF

On Thursday 29th June 2017 over 80 guests gathered at the Sky Garden of 20 Fenchurch Street for continental breakfast to learn more about how East End Community Foundation supports businesses to achieve their social responsibility goals through our philanthropy and community investment services.

EECF's Chair, Howard Dawber, welcomed guests to the event, saying: "Something we all have in common is a vested interest in East London; we all work, live or are developing here. We all want our presence in the East End to be a positive one and we want local people to benefit from the wealth of opportunities that our businesses and organisations are creating... Let's work together to have a co-ordinated and strategic approach to strengthening communities in East London."

We were delighted to be joined by Praveen Joynathsing of Lyxor Asset Management - a wholly owned subsidiary of the Société Générale Group - who spoke to guests about how EECF helped establish the Société Générale Community Fund and how this helps achieve the company's global philanthropic objectives at a local level.

EECF helped Société Générale set up a £100,000 fund with monies released from dormant client accounts, in accordance with applicable regulatory requirements. The Société Générale Community Fund supports young people aged 13-25 years, resident in the boroughs of Newham and Tower Hamlets, on their journey into the world of work by improving their educational development, especially through sport, arts or cultural activities and improving their literacy.

We also welcomed Caroline Hill, Head of Sustainability at Landsec, who spoke about the 20 Fenchurch Street Legacy Fund and its impressive collective community impact.

The 20FSLF combines resources from building occupiers and contractors and voluntary donations from visitors to the building's Sky Garden to award grants to not-for-profit organisations which support people living in the boroughs of Hackney, Newham, Tower Hamlets and City of London into employment. The fund also creates a lasting legacy by

investing part of the funds it raises in an endowment, providing funding for the local community in perpetuity.

Since launching in July 2015 the Fund has awarded £194,920.00 to 7 local community projects and supported an incredible 165 local people into work. This year we expect to be able to help 300 extra people access employment training and support through over 3,000 hours of training.

EECF would like to offer our thanks to the 20 Fenchurch Street Partnership – Canary Wharf Group plc and Landsec - for use of the incredible Sky Garden space and to CCLA and Rhubarb for supporting us with sponsorship for the event.

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## EECF wins at The Charity Awards 2017

9th June 2017



Image: Charity Awards Logo

East End Community Foundation were proud to have won the 2017 Charity Awards' Outstanding Grant making and Funding award on 8th June. We have been recognised for our work in tackling unemployment through multi-donor grants, specifically through the 20 Fenchurch Street Legacy Fund.

The Charity Awards is an annual awards programme, run by Civil Society Media, to recognise organisations doing exceptional work in all areas of charitable activity. We celebrated the achievement among hundreds of others at a glittering awards ceremony at the Tower of London pavilion.

The unique model combines resources from the 20 Fenchurch Street Partnership, building occupiers, contractors and voluntary donations from visitors to the building's Sky Garden. Donations support a unique grants programme to tackle issues of unemployment and are also part invested in an endowment to create a lasting legacy for East London.

Since launching in July 2015 and thanks to the support of companies including Canary Wharf Group, Land Securities, Liberty Speciality Markets and RSA the Fund has awarded £194,920 in grants to local projects and helped 247 people start their journey towards work.

# Celebrating awarding our next round of funding to local community projects

21st June 2017



On 20th June EECF was delighted to invite projects funded through EECF's grant programmes, the London Dock Community Fund, Newham Giving, the Youth Social Action Fund, and the Société Générale Community Fund to our offices for a celebratory grants breakfast event.

Our grants breakfasts enable our donors to meet the projects they have supported in person, as well as provide an opportunity for the voluntary sector to meet each other.

It was wonderful to have a chance to meet some of the projects who received funding through our May grants round and find out more about the brilliant work they are doing in local communities across Hackney, Newham and Tower Hamlets.

We awarded grants totalling just under £300,000 and are looking forward to hearing later in the year about the impact that has been achieved in the local area.

# Record Breaking runner raises money for Tower Hamlets children

01st May 2018

Despite the 2018 London Marathon being one of the toughest and most gruelling marathons ever, this did not stop all the runners from Team EECF finishing the race and raising money for the Foundation's summer programme for children.



With a record breaking 38 Guinness World Records set, Nick Miller recorded an excellent time for Team EECF with a run of 04:16 to complete Sunday's gruelling course for East End Community Foundation (EECF).

EECF's grant programme helps fund fantastic local summer projects for children of all ages including football coaching, street dance activities, drama and dance workshops. This keeps children busy over the summer period and has a significant impact on maintaining educational engagement, reducing anti-social behaviour, broadening horizons and developing their skills.

Families on low incomes can struggle over the long summer break as parents balance long working hours and keeping their children occupied. Also, despite all the growing opportunities in East London, almost 1 in every 4 children in Tower Hamlets are living in income deprived households, which affects young people's aspirations, attainment and wellbeing.

East End Community Foundation is dedicated to poverty alleviation and allowing those from the most deprived East End backgrounds to have the same chances and opportunities as children in other parts of the country.

**EECF would like to thank all the fantastic runners who took on the London Marathon 2018 for EECF. For more information about how you could take on next years' marathon race or another challenge for EECF contact Mariana Ferreira by calling 0207 3454445 or emailing [Mariana.Ferreira@eastendcf.org](mailto:Mariana.Ferreira@eastendcf.org)**

# One Newham: the new body bringing together voluntary organisations in Newham

May 2018

Aston-Mansfield alongside other local organisations have played a key role in establishing One Newham. The One Newham vision is to create a strong and collaborative voluntary and community sector which puts the people of Newham at its heart.

## What is One Newham?

It is a new entity that will tender for and manage contracts and grants on behalf of consortia of local voluntary and community organisations. It has been set up by local voluntary and community organisations because we are committed to bringing significant new funding into the borough and to ensuring that the voluntary and community sector can continue to play a key role in improving the lives of local people.

We will deliver high quality services through local organisations which share opportunities and responsibilities and are rooted in the community to improve the lives of local people. We believe that the creation of One Newham will open new contracting and grant opportunities, promote joint working and encourage organisational learning and development for its members.

One Newham's Board is made up of local voluntary and community organisations who are members of One Newham and it will be established as a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO), registered with the Charity Commission.

## What do One Newham plan to do?

- Ensure that services are person-centred and that their need is at the heart of all provision.
- Ensure Newham residents have access to consistent, accessible, high-quality and well-resourced services.
- Secure funding and contracts to support One Newham member organisations to become, or continue to be, sustainable.
- Increase the capacity for consortium members to be more involved in the design and delivery of services and to be able to influence and shape public sector strategic policy.
- Develop new ways of joint working and pilot innovative approaches.



The representatives of One Newham and Stephen Timms MP at West Ham United Foundation.

# IQL Community Fund launches today

28th March 2018



We're delighted to announce the launch of the IQL Community Fund in partnership with Lendlease to support the local communities around International Quarter London.

Since 2015, the IQL Community Fund has provided grants totalling £50,000 to 17 organisations based in Stratford & New Town, West Ham, Forest Gate, Hackney Wick and Leyton, investing in, and supporting the local community. Over 1,600 people have been involved in a project supported by the IQL Community Fund and once all the projects have been completed this should increase to approximately 2,000.

The Fund has already improved the health and wellbeing of local people by promoting a healthy lifestyle, increased the number of sports, exercise and leisure activities available and improved community cohesion.

Grants are available to local charities and not-for-profit organisations that support and expand the opportunities of local people, as well as celebrating the rich cultural diversity of the area and supporting the area's most vulnerable residents. The primary area of benefit is within a 1.5 mile radius around International Quarter London which includes Newham, Waltham Forest, Hackney and Tower Hamlets.

The theme of this year's IQL Community Fund is 'inclusive places', aimed at creating a welcoming and diverse place to live, work, play and learn. Organisations can apply for a grant of up to £5,000 for their chosen project.

The IQL Community Fund is open from today for applications and organisations have until 12 noon on May 15th to apply. We're excited to see the diverse range of applications and look forward to working in partnership with Lendlease to support our local communities.