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Red Kite brings 42 local organisations together to strengthen community connections

Red Kite Community Housing brought together 70 people representing 42 charities and community organisations for its 11th Community Networking Event in High Wycombe.

Held at Hilltop Community Centre on Wednesday 11th November, the event gave organisations from across Buckinghamshire and beyond the opportunity to make new connections, share ideas and explore ways they can work together to support one another.

The High Wycombe-based housing association launched its community networking events in 2022 following the Covid pandemic, initially as a way of reconnecting local charities and community groups and giving them a space to share experiences and support one another. The events have continued to grow, with the latest attracting representatives from 42 different organisations.

Red Kite's Group CEO Peter Cogan opened the event, which also featured guest speakers Matt Lynch from New Meaning Training and Simon Kearey from Wycombe Youth Action. They shared insights into the work their organisations are doing to support people in local communities.

Many of the organisations attending have previously received funding through Red Kite's Springboard grant programme. The event provided an opportunity to hear about the difference this is making to them, strengthen relationships with local organisations and explore opportunities for future collaboration.

Nahida Latif, Community Investment Specialist at Red Kite Community Housing, said:

> "It's been wonderful to see how our networking events have grown since we first started them in 2022. What I enjoy most is bringing so many different organisations together, giving them the opportunity to make new connections, share ideas and learn about the fantastic work happening in our communities."

The latest event continued that focus, giving organisations time to exchange ideas, learn from each other and build relationships that can help them make a positive difference within their 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 to build a strong foundation for tenants and communities centred around safe, warm and affordable homes.
- Red Kite's vision is to create homes as foundations that enable individuals and communities to thrive.

Photos



Red Kite Group CEO Peter Cogan addressing the Networking Event



Representatives from local community groups in discussion at the Networking Event