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Hills Group's charitable Christmas giving

Wiltshire-based company The Hills Group has shown its charitable spirit this Christmas by supporting several local worthy causes which help people with nowhere to go over the holiday season.



Hills chairman Alan Pardoe, chairman of Christmas Care Patsy Malone, Hills chief executive Mike Hill, Hills UK director Tony Hill, Women's Aid project worker Lynn Turner, Threshold fundraising coordinator Cai Larkins and chief executive of Doorway Lisa Lewis.

Throughout the year, The Hills Group holds various fundraising activities in aid of charities. But this festive season, rather than supporting just one good cause, the company is doing its bit for several charities.

The first organisation to receive Hills' support is a local charity which offers food and shelter to the homeless over Christmas.

Hills has been supporting Christmas Care for the past 13 years and this year will be providing waste management services to the shelter, which operates out of Buckhurst Park Community Centre in Swindon. It can accommodate more than 60 visitors each day, who are given food and hot drinks. They are also able to have a shower, a change of clothing and new footwear.

Group director Waste Solutions Mike Webster also took part in Runvember, which saw him run five miles a day to raise money for Threshold, another Swindon charity which helps the homeless.

Mike also collected goods including toiletries, socks and bedding to donate to the charity.



Employees of The Hills Group have also been collecting items such as toiletries, chocolates and gifts for the Swindon branch of Women's Aid, so the women at the refuge can get a present on Christmas Day.

Finally, instead of giving Christmas cards, Hills donated £150 to Doorway, a charity based in Chippenham which provides support to the homeless.

Chief executive Mike Hill said: "We recognise the importance of charitable giving and we carry out fundraising activities throughout the year – but as it's Christmas we wanted to do something extra.

"We hope that these donations will help these charities to continue their brilliant work in making sure everyone has a happy Christmas.

"I'm proud of all of Hills' employees who have got involved and done their bit."

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Notes to editors:

Established in 1900 The Hills Group Limited is a privately owned family company with a broad and successful portfolio of business activities which include recycling and waste management; quarrying of aggregates and production of ready-mixed concrete; and building new homes. It is a dynamic regional business which, while centred on Wiltshire, has stretched its boundaries into neighbouring areas. The Group has a turnover of £86 million and employs over 400 people at 28 sites.

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