



COMMITTED TO RESPONSIBLE MANAGEMENT

BALFOUR BEATTY HAS A FIRM AND EXPLICIT COMMITMENT TO FULFILLING ITS RESPONSIBILITIES TO ALL OF ITS STAKEHOLDERS.

THE LONG-TERM SUCCESS OF OUR BUSINESS DEPENDS NOT JUST ON THE CONTINUING DELIVERY OF THE HIGHEST QUALITY TECHNICAL SKILLS AND DISCIPLINES, BUT ALSO DEMONSTRABLE COMMITMENT TO, AND ACHIEVEMENT IN, FULFILLING OUR WIDER RESPONSIBILITIES.

WE CREATE AND CARE FOR ESSENTIAL ASSETS – HOSPITALS, SCHOOLS, ROAD, RAIL AND UTILITY SYSTEMS AND STRUCTURES OF ALL KINDS. WE SEEK TO BENEFIT THE COMMUNITIES IN WHICH WE OPERATE, NOT ONLY THROUGH OUR WORK BUT ALSO BY ENGAGING POSITIVELY AND HELPING DELIVER ADDITIONAL SOCIAL BENEFITS.

OUR FRAMEWORK FOR MANAGING AND REPORTING SAFETY, HEALTH, ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS, PEOPLE AND COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT IS AN INTEGRAL PART OF OUR BUSINESS PROCESSES.

This year our full report on how we manage our responsibilities can be found online.

Please visit www.balfourbeatty.co.uk/bbeattycr06/cr06 to read the details of our policies, processes and performance.

This document is a summary review to provide you with the key headlines and highlights in an easily accessible and digestible format, designed to explain, simply, what corporate responsibility means to Balfour Beatty.

Validation Statement

The safety, health and environment data and associated statements in this summary report have been validated by Sd3. To read Sd3's validation statement on the full web report please go to:
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SAFETY AND HEALTH



It's our responsibility to protect our employees and the general public from the potential hazards involved in the construction process and its products. Safety is our number one priority.

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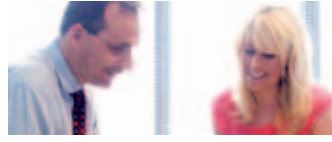
ENVIRONMENT



Being efficient in the way we use resources creates savings for our business and is value-adding for our customers. We continue to drive environmental best practice throughout all of our operations.

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PEOPLE



Construction is a people business and it is vital that we attract, retain and motivate the best talent to ensure we deliver what our customers need. This means supporting and investing in our employees.

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COMMUNITY



The projects we build have significant impacts on the communities we serve. We work to maximise the benefits of our involvement in local communities.

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24%

Group-wide reduction in accident frequency rate during 2006

27%

reduction in our relative UK contribution to global warming over the last four years

£15 MILLION

invested in training in 2006

£220 THOUSAND

raised for Marie Curie Cancer Care over two years as our preferred corporate charity

96%

Balfour Beatty operating companies undertake occupational health screening

78%

of UK timber spend procured from certified sources in 2006

11%

reduction in voluntary employee turnover in 2006

25,000+

schoolchildren compete in the Balfour Beatty sponsored London Youth Games

76%

less hazardous waste generated than in 2005

12%

reduction in absenteeism in 2006

CORPORATE RESPONSIBILITY IN BALFOUR BEATTY

AN OVERVIEW



Sir David John, KCMG
Chairman

This is Balfour Beatty's sixth Corporate Responsibility Report. The Group has a firm and explicit commitment to fulfilling its responsibilities to all of its stakeholders and reporting on its progress. Our major customers not only demand excellence in operational performance, technical skills and project management. They also want to be sure that their partners and suppliers meet or surpass their own high standards of responsible conduct.

We set ourselves demanding targets in these areas and over the last six years have substantially reduced our accident frequency rate, greatly improved the management of our impacts on the environment and made significant strides in all aspects of good citizenship. We welcome the opportunity to differentiate ourselves in terms of safety, environmental management and wider social responsibility.

Our progress has been recognised in a number of ways. For example, we were again voted the "most admired" construction sector company in Management Today's 2006 annual survey and were rated sixth in the overall publicly quoted company league table. We also won the Quality in Construction Award for the best Corporate Responsibility programme in the industry.

Governance and management

In 2006, we were able to continue the progress we have made over recent years. Our policies, internal controls and reporting processes and management systems were reviewed and confirmed. To our existing corporate principles and individual employee behaviour guidelines, we added codes of practice, which set key objectives and minimum standards for our operating companies' dealings with customers, employees, suppliers and the wider community. In 2007, we will begin a major training programme to embed these codes throughout the organisation.

Safety

Continuing management emphasis on our principal corporate responsibility – keeping our employees and the public safe – continued to bear fruit, with a further 24% reduction in our accident frequency rate despite rapidly increasing numbers of full-time employees and on-site subcontractors. We continue to focus on improving standards and to ensure all our operations match the highest standards which we achieve in the UK.



Ian Tyler
Chief Executive

Health

The rigorous standards applied in the Group to safety management are increasingly also being applied to occupational health. Although the issues are less immediately tractable, we are making satisfactory progress in this regard.

Environment

We continue to work systematically to prevent negative environmental impact from our activities and to improve our environmental performance at every stage of our work. Annual measures of our energy usage, resource usage, waste generation and recycling, water consumption and our impact on environmentally sensitive areas are used to formulate policy and inform appropriate initiatives.

The wider community

Balfour Beatty's business is the creation and care of social capital – schools, hospitals and transport systems, for example. In so doing, it makes a substantial contribution to society. In addition to this contribution, we believe that it is our responsibility to engage fully with the communities and individuals impacted by our project work and to add value to our work by delivering wider community benefits.

We have taken a number of initiatives to deliver on these objectives. Our sponsorship of the London Youth Games and our football coaching and competition programme in Stoke-on-Trent increase the opportunities available to young people in areas where our operating companies are active.

Our sponsorship of Building Better Lives, in conjunction with the Prince's Trust, brings an increasing number of disadvantaged young people training and employment opportunities in the construction industry. Through our leading involvement in Engineers Against Poverty and the Anti-Corruption Forum, we are helping to tackle two big issues in which our industry can make a positive impact. During our two-year association with Marie Curie Cancer Care, over £220,000 was raised by the company and its employees to support the work of the charity.

The future

The Group will continue to be judged by its stakeholders not just on its profitability but also on how well it manages its affairs beyond financial performance. You can rest assured we will be working hard to maintain our forward momentum.



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SUSTAINABLE CONSTRUCTION



Sustainable construction is the way in which a profitable and competitive industry delivers built assets to enhance quality of life and stakeholder satisfaction – now and in the future.

In 2002, we explored the key role that the construction industry has to play in the quest for a sustainable future. The industry has an opportunity to transform the way that infrastructure is created, by rethinking the way it designs and uses resources to build and maintain assets that meet the needs of society.

Key concepts are partnership and innovation. By engaging with customers, end-users and local communities, a shared understanding of the needs

and impacts of schemes can be created, alongside a view of what is technically possible and affordable.

Translating this into reality means designers, contractors and suppliers working together to embrace new ideas and technology and to generate innovative solutions.

One phrase summarises our basic approach – doing business with integrity. This means that we aim to: create shareholder value through meeting clients' expectations; ensure the safety and health of our workforce and others; engage with communities and those affected by our activities; and protect the environment. Our day-to-day activities already incorporate many aspects of good practice and

contribute to sustainable development. But building on this and integrating it into all our activities will be critical to our future success. In order to attract high calibre employees, create long-term partnerships with asset owners, thrive financially, and maintain the confidence and support of our shareholders, we need to embrace the sustainable construction and sustainable development agenda fully.

Full details of our progress on Sustainable Construction issues, including our work on PFI Projects can be found in our full report online.

> www.balfourbeatty.co.uk/bbeattycr06/cr06/sustainableconstruction

MANAGING CORPORATE RESPONSIBILITY



The Board sets policy and takes responsibility for Balfour Beatty's performance in safety, health, the environment, business ethics, risk management, human rights and other social issues.

In early 2001, the Business Practices Committee of the Board was established to review policy, practice and performance in these areas. It meets four times a year. We produced our first set of Company Principles in 1986. Since then they have been regularly reviewed and updated, most recently in 2006. Two companion codes were also developed at the same time, "Business Conduct Guidelines" and "Stakeholder Codes of Practice."

We have clearly stated policies for risk management, health and safety, environment, human rights, drugs and alcohol, equal opportunities and whistle-blowing.

A Group-wide risk management framework provides a common system for reporting and escalating risks of all types. Safety and health issues are line management responsibilities, are subject to rigorous measurement and external audit and are reviewed regularly by the Group Health and Safety Council.

Environmental issues are reviewed by an Environmental Strategy Group, performance is audited regularly and Group-wide statistics collated in respect of our major impacts. Community initiatives are driven at both corporate and operating company level within a clear policy framework.

Operating companies are required to develop specific policies and practices relevant to their areas of work in respect of all aspects of corporate responsibility.

For a full description of how we manage corporate responsibility please go to:

> www.balfourbeatty.co.uk/bbeattycr06/cr06/managingcr



CORPORATE RESPONSIBILITY REPORTING



We aim to do business with integrity, aspiring to the highest standards of safety and health, managing our environmental impacts and being committed to delivering on our full range of social responsibilities.

Our projects directly improve the lives of people and their communities. Understanding their expectations is critical to our future as a business.

Our approach and management systems cover our global activities and we report on incidents and penalties on a global basis.

We collate safety data for all of our wholly owned activities and for those joint ventures where we have management control. Subcontractor safety performance is included for all activities apart from the US where it is not common practice.

Our environment data is reported for all wholly-owned UK and European businesses. Our other overseas businesses are progressing towards reporting environmental performance to the same standards. We report on employee data for all our wholly-owned businesses worldwide.

> www.balfourbeatty.co.uk/bbeattycr06/cr06/ourbusinesses

SAFETY

The safety of our employees and of others impacted by our operations and activities is of critical importance to our business success and is a fundamental corporate priority.

Aims and strategy

Balfour Beatty's stated aim is zero fatalities, zero permanent disability injuries and to be accident free overall. We take a structured, risk-based approach to safety management across the Group.

Our strategy has three principal components. First, to build around our well-developed safety management systems a positive safety culture through consistent demonstration of leadership and employee engagement which changes fundamental attitudes and behaviour.

Second, to ensure that we apply the same level of diligence to public safety as we apply to occupational safety.

Third, to design both permanent and temporary works so that safety risks are eliminated at source or reduced substantially.

Management systems

Our Group-wide policy and our formal expectations for management are clearly set out and communicated,

together with policy and guidance documents on a number of key issues.

The Chief Executive chairs a Health and Safety Council which develops policy, reviews performance and facilitates the sharing of best practice across the Group.

Our operating companies are expected to achieve certification to OHSAS 18001. They are independently audited by Det Norske Veritas (DNV).

The Group uses Tr@ction, a recording and monitoring system, to report and analyse accidents and incidents across Balfour Beatty to provide the data for the development of policies and practice. Subject-specific task groups study and recommend solutions for issues such as temporary traffic management, service strikes, driving safety and tower cranes.

Our accident and incident investigation system is thorough and structured. By the end of 2006, over 500 investigators had received formal training in the process. Serious accidents are reviewed by the Chief Executive.

Audit

Our systems and performance are the subject of both internal and external audit scrutiny. External audit against OHSAS 18001 is required in all UK

businesses and is being extended to cover all businesses outside the UK. All operating companies maintain programmes for internal audit.

Training

Our comprehensive training programmes to ensure the competence of all job holders continued to be implemented in 2006. In the UK, there was a 71% increase in safety training with more than a three-fold increase outside the UK.

Key performance indicators and benchmarking

Our accident frequency rate (AFR) improved for the fourth successive year, this time by 24%. Since 2002, our AFR has been reduced by 58%.

During the year we were deeply saddened by the loss of eight colleagues, all in operations outside the UK.

We benchmark our safety performance against industry norms in all the territories in which we operate. Our performance in the UK, US, Germany and Hong Kong compares favourably with the relevant local industry statistics.

58%

reduction in accident frequency rate since the end of 2002

71%

increase in UK safety training days in 2006

534

principal investigators trained in accident root cause analysis techniques

HIGHLIGHTS



> **Group AFR down 24% in 2006 and 58% since 2002**

> **AFR reduced by 67% in our US operating companies**

> **96% UK business units certified to OHSAS 18001**

> **Over 2 million man-hours worked by Balfour Beatty Civil Engineering on the Forth Rail Bridge with zero reportable accidents**

> **170 schools visited with more than 11,000 children given presentations on safety**

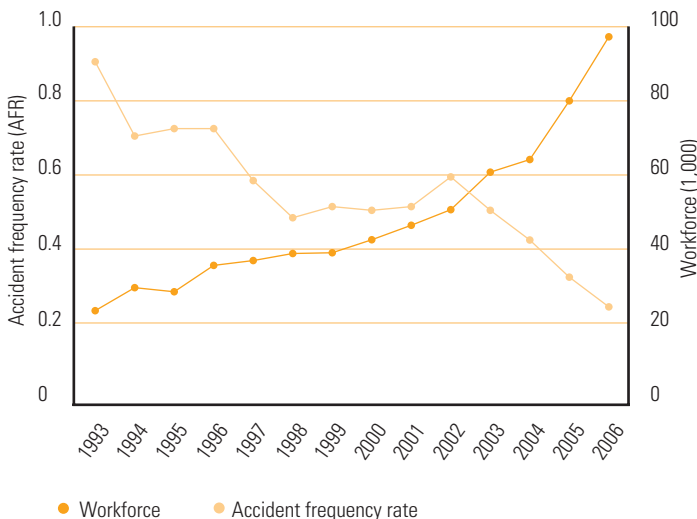


> **Reported injury rates 29% below HSE industry averages**

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Improving safety performance despite rapid growth



The Balfour Beatty Group is now seeking to apply the same rigorous standards of management and measurement to the occupational health of its workforce as it does for occupational and public safety.

Aims and strategy

Our aim is to ensure that no harm to our employees' health occurs as a result of our activities and to improve the monitoring and control of those activities which have the potential to impact on health.

Cases of occupational ill-health are often the result of prolonged exposure to a condition or substance, or prolonged or repeated undertaking of an activity.

During 2002 we reviewed our approach to occupational health and, over the last three years, have increased the focus on managing occupational health systematically and effectively in our operating companies.

Management systems

Occupational health management is subject to the same structure as for safety. There is a Group policy and formal expectations for management are clearly set out and communicated, together with policy and guidance documents on a number of key issues.

The Health and Safety Council, chaired by the Chief Executive, develops policy and monitors progress as for safety. Several operating companies have contracted professional occupational health service providers to review their own specific arrangements.

The Group measures sickness absence data to provide a comprehensive view of the nature and scale of health issues amongst our workforce and to assist in setting priorities.

Health screening

In the UK, 96% of operating companies undertook occupational health screening during 2006.

Across the Group, 5,233 employees received occupational health screening during the year. Of those screened, 4% were referred for further medical examination and 3.6% subsequently had their duties restricted.

Some major projects employ resident occupational health nurses to carry out pre-employment and ongoing health screening and general health promotion.

Screening is also conducted in our European and US businesses and Malaysia.

Action on occupational health hazards

The Group has particular programmes for those health issues most relevant to our industry. These include, most notably hand arm vibration syndrome (HAVS), manual handling risks, audiometric disorders, stress, drugs and the abuse of alcohol and handling and exposure to substances hazardous to health including asbestos. Where uncharted asbestos is encountered, the issue is handed over to accredited experts.

Health promotion

A growing number of Balfour Beatty operating companies encourage employees towards a healthy lifestyle outside the workplace.

Performance

In 2006, there were no UK fatalities or retirements arising from work-related ill-health. 2% of long-term absence was attributable to work-related illness, less than 1% of medium and short-term illness was so attributable.

5,233

employees screened for occupational health issues in 2006

1%

of all absence due to occupational ill-health

ZERO

fatalities or retirements attributable to work-related ill-health



- > **Occupational health services provider appointed UK-wide**
- > **10th year of absence cause monitoring**
- > **Almost 9,000 drugs and alcohol tests carried out in the UK and the US**
- > **A 28% reduction in the number of hand arm vibration cases identified during the year**
- > **Increased use of stress management counselling, awareness and recognition services**



- > **Further guidance issued on safe manual handling techniques**
- > **Formal processes established for supportive return-to-work processes for absent employees in a number of operating companies**

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Total health screening: 2004-2006

2004		1647
2005		4365
2006		5233



ENVIRONMENT

On behalf of ourselves and our customers, we take every precaution to prevent our activities causing environmental harm. We seek, where possible, to encourage more sustainable design options to enhance the environment through our work and measure our impacts.

Aims and strategies

Our environmental policy has three main goals:

to work with customers to achieve more sustainable design solutions; to be a leader in environmental practices on all our operational sites; and to progressively improve the environmental performance of our own offices, depots, manufacturing facilities and vehicle fleet.

Measuring our impacts

While the range and nature of environmental risks varies widely in each operating company, we review our overall progress by monitoring:

the robustness of environmental management systems; environmental incidents and prosecutions; trends in specific environmental indicators, such as energy and global warming contribution, waste and recycling, resource usage, water consumption and biodiversity.

Management systems

Environmental issues are monitored and reviewed at the Environmental Strategy Group, made up of representatives of the operating companies under the chairmanship of the Director Safety, Health and Environment. Each operating company has a nominated board director with environmental responsibility and 96% of UK operating companies are certified to ISO 14001. We aim to achieve ISO 14001 or its equivalent in all of our operations and to audit and benchmark performance regularly.

Training

During 2006 we have continued to improve environmental training to ensure that our employees are aware of the environmental consequences of their activities and know how to protect the environment.

Audit and benchmarking

Audit is a key element of managing environmental risk. As well as external benchmarking, our operations are subject to both internal and external audit.

During 2006 we spent a total of 2,872 days conducting internal environmental audits and inspections and 375 days on external audit. For the sixth year in succession, we participated in the Business in the Environment survey.

Our scores in strategy and assurance reached 100% and we maintained our rating in assurance and disclosure. However, our overall score dropped from 88% to 80% as the scored model changed.

Key UK performance indicators

By the end of 2006, 96% of our UK operations and the majority of our operations outside the UK had achieved ISO 14001 or its equivalent. No serious environmental incidents and no prosecutions or convictions were reported.

In 2006, the proportion of our expenditure on timber spent on material from fully certified sources rose once again, this time to 78% (2005: 64%).

The total amount of waste generated in the UK per £million Net Sales Value (NSV) was in line with the 2005 figure following a 30% reduction in 2005. 76% less hazardous waste was generated than in the previous year.

In 2006, Balfour Beatty consumed 12% a year per £m NSV, less water than in 2005.

We have succeeded in reducing our relative contribution to global warming by 27% over the last four years.

3,247

man days spent conducting internal and external audits in 2006

12%

less water used than in 2005

78%

of UK timber spend from certified sources

57%

increase in the number of UK environmental training days in 2006

HIGHLIGHTS



- > No environmental incidents classified as serious
- > Fifth year of comprehensive environmental impact data for the UK businesses
- > Good progress made on achieving ISO 14001 or equivalent certification across the Group
- > UK/EU inert material recycling more than doubled during the year

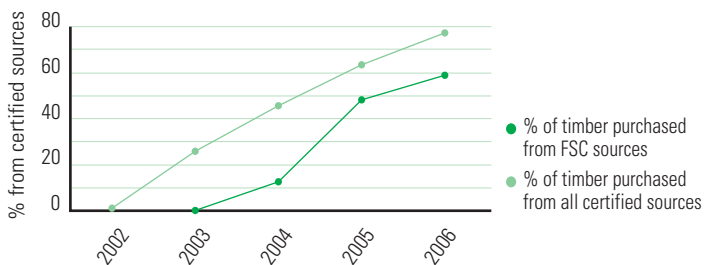


- > Momentum maintained in reducing the relative impact of CO₂ emissions from our vehicle fleet
- > Sixth year of participation in the Business in the Environment Index
- > Independent audit of Balfour Beatty environmental programmes and data in most operating companies

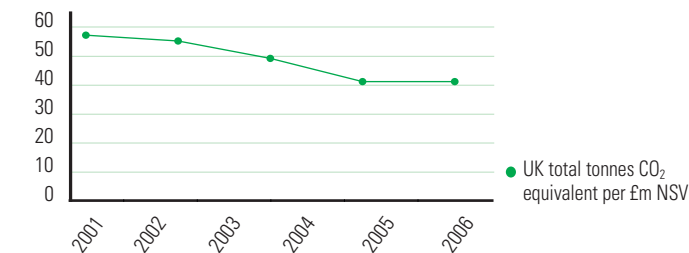
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UK timber spend



Relative contribution to global warming from UK operations



PEOPLE

Balfour Beatty seeks to utilise the full talents and skills of all its people and aims to create a safe, healthy, challenging, rewarding, participative, fair working environment.

Aims and objectives

Our explicit objectives are:

to provide an open, challenging and participative environment; to enable all employees to utilise their talents and skills to the full, through appropriate encouragement, training and development; to communicate a full understanding of the objectives and performance of the Group and the opportunities and challenges facing it;

to provide pay and other benefits which reflect good local practices and reward individual and collective performance; and to ensure that all applicants and employees receive equal treatment regardless of age, origin, gender, disability, sexual orientation, marital status, religion or belief.

Employee attitudes and opinions

Surveys of employee attitudes, needs and opinions are conducted in the great majority of our operating companies. In 2007, the first Group-wide employee survey will be undertaken.

Training and development

The Group invested over £15 million in training during 2006 – representing an average of 3.7 days of training per employee. Formal performance and development reviews, increasingly common throughout the Group, provide regular opportunities for employees to identify and agree development objectives with their managers.

The Group has a comprehensive organisation and people review process which links the aspirations, talents and development plans of individual managers to the anticipated future needs of the business. Wherever possible, we seek to promote from within the Group.

Communications

All employees receive a six-monthly magazine which covers in detail the latest financial information, news and events from around the whole Group, including safety, health and environment topics and matters of general employee interest.

Individual businesses use a variety of methods to communicate key business goals and issues to employees and also consult and involve their employees.

Diversity

In 2006, 17% of our UK employees were women and 6% were of ethnic minority origins. In 1999, when measurement first started the proportions were 13% and 4% respectively. Nearly 150 graduates were recruited in 2006. 20% of this intake were women and 15% from ethnic minorities.

Turnover and absence

The retention of motivated, qualified staff is critical to the future success of the business.

In 2006, voluntary employee turnover was reduced from 18% the previous year to 16%. The absence rate was also reduced from 2.6% to 2.3%.

Whistleblowing

There is a Group-wide whistleblowing policy in place. During the course of 2006, eight cases were raised and all the cases raised have been addressed and successfully concluded.

Pensioners

We have an assistance network in place for all our pensioners needing help and advice. We also hold regular roadshows around the UK for pensioners.

The Group, through trustees, operates a number of pension schemes. The funds are healthy and appropriate contribution schedules are in place in order to ensure that this continues.

30,467

full-time Balfour Beatty employees at the end of 2006

17%

of UK employees are women

670

UK graduates recruited between 2001 and 2006

12

UK operating companies with Investors in People accreditation

HIGHLIGHTS



- > **Corporate Principles and Business Conduct Guidelines distributed to all employees**
- > **Annual UK graduate induction conference initiated**
- > **Reductions in absence and voluntary employee turnover**
- > **Expenditure on and scope of training programmes further increased**



- > **Substantial further improvements in safety and health management and performance**
- > **Employment opportunities expanding as Group continues to grow**
- > **Accreditation under Investors in People continues to spread across the Group**

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COMMUNITY

Balfour Beatty regards good corporate citizenship as an integral part of its business mission. It seeks to create positive and long-lasting relationships with all of its stakeholders and to engage proactively with them.

Aims and strategy

Balfour Beatty seeks to engage fully with the groups, communities and individuals directly impacted by its project work and to add value to the work that it does in creating and caring for infrastructure assets by delivering additional community benefits.

Its project staff are expected to engage with the local communities in which they operate and to keep them fully informed of all issues which might affect them. Initiatives to bring added benefits to communities which we serve are initiated at every level in the organisation.

Stakeholder engagement

Employees There is a comprehensive corporate and operating company-based communications programme aimed at ensuring that all employees have access to the information they need and the opportunity to put their views forward.

Shareholders Balfour Beatty runs an active shareholder engagement programme involving regular roadshows, one-to-one meetings and webcasts.

Customers Most of the Group's operating companies run regular customer attitude and opinion surveys. A substantial proportion of the Group's business is conducted with organisations with which its operating companies have long-term relationships.

Suppliers An increasing proportion of the Group's supply base is retained in long-term relationships based on the compatibility of their values and behaviour as well as product quality and price.

Government and Regulators Over half of Balfour Beatty's work is carried out for governments. The Group seeks active and positive relationships with governments, their officers and advisers and relevant industry regulators.

Communities It is Balfour Beatty's policy that all of its major projects have a dedicated community relations team. Typically, major projects will be preceded by exhibitions, and regular newsletters and letter drops will keep interested parties informed at key project milestones. There will be regular visits to schools and other local institutions. Key stakeholders are offered direct access.

Community engagement

Balfour Beatty has two parallel community engagement programmes.

Building Better Communities In 2006, we launched a new £340,000 football coaching programme for schoolchildren in Stoke, where we have the 25-year PFI schools' concession. We also increased our involvement with Groundwork, the physical amenities charity with new projects commencing in Hertfordshire, Leeds, Sheffield, Manchester and London. We sponsored the London Youth Games in which over 25,000 London schoolchildren participated and also introduced a sports development grant for the London boroughs.

Building Better Lives In 2006, we became a founding sponsor of "Get into Construction", an initiative designed to offer disadvantaged young people training and job opportunities in the construction industry, in conjunction with the Prince's Trust. We chose NCH, the children's charity, as our Charity of the Year and continued our programme of training and employing released offenders.

23

new courses for the Prince's Trust "Get Into Construction" scheme planned for 2007

£340,000

to be spent over three years on the Group's schools football coaching scheme in Stoke

33

London boroughs received Balfour Beatty sports development grants in 2006

100

shareholder meetings held during 2006

HIGHLIGHTS



> **Balfour Beatty wins the 2006 Quality in Construction Corporate Social Responsibility Award**

> **NCH, the children's charity, selected as corporate charity partner for 2007/8**

> **Balfour Beatty becomes a founding sponsor of Prince's Trust "Get Into Construction" programme for disadvantaged young people**



> **Balfour Beatty sponsorship of London Youth Games extended in 2007**

> **More projects undertaken around major construction and concession sites with Groundwork UK**

> **Balfour Beatty football coaching scheme for young people at risk of social exclusion in Stoke launched**

> **"Love My School" campaign launched in Rotherham to reduce vandalism, litter and graffiti**

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RESPONSIBILITY IN ACTION



Birmingham Hospital

The construction of Birmingham's first super acute hospital is well underway. At over £550 million, the scheme is the largest community healthcare development outside London. Mental Health facilities are due to open in 2008, followed by the main Acute facilities in 2010.

The construction is being carried out by Balfour Beatty Group companies, Balfour Beatty Construction and Haden Young. Balfour Beatty staff and other employee numbers on site are predicted to peak at approximately 1,500.

The hospital project is due for final completion in 2012 when it will accommodate over 1,200 beds, 21% more than the facilities it replaces, with 30 operating theatres and a daily footfall through the front entrance estimated to be between 2000-3000 people.

The project has developed an integrated partnership with its customers, local stakeholders, neighbours and suppliers to steer its overall direction.

Safety

The project team have implemented a co-ordinated programme to achieve their target of zero accidents on site. The components include safety awareness sessions for all teams before they move onto site, safety suggestion schemes, school visits to alert local children to the dangers of a construction site and safety award schemes for sub-contractors.

Great attention has been paid to Designing for Safety, with significant planning for modularisation and off-site fabrication, thus reducing on-site hazards.

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Environment

Environmental impacts have been kept to a minimum and managed within the content of a sustainable construction plan which has planning authority approval and local resident involvement.

A balanced earthworks plan was developed to minimise the generation of waste earth from site. Crushed demolition materials have been used to reduce the amount of virgin material imports. Modular construction and mandatory plasterboard recycling has also led to reduced waste.

The building has been designed to allow the optimum use of natural daylight and to maximise energy efficiency. In addition, the hospital has achieved an excellent Building Research Establishment Environmental Assessment Method rating.

Flora and fauna are being fully protected under the project plan, with the design incorporating wildlife crossings, heated bat boxes and bird boxes to sustain and enhance the presence of a variety of species and other features.

The hospital is adjacent to the Metchley Roman Fort – a scheduled ancient monument – and a full excavation, recording and recovery plan was implemented prior to construction.

Construction noise is being minimised with vehicle movements being carefully planned, including specific routing and timing to avoid traffic stacking and congestion in residential areas and the installation of environmentally friendly fences.

Community

The hospital is located in the heart of a residential area and the project plan includes a comprehensive liaison programme to keep the community engaged and informed. Local people also have access to the employment and training opportunities created by the project, via a learning hub.

Building Health, a partnership of organisations including Balfour Beatty, is serving as a clearing house for employment and training opportunities at the site.

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FACTS



1 MILLION

man hours worked without a reportable accident

21%

more beds in the new facilities than those replaced

70%

of training programme participants go on to employment or full-time education

1,500

employees on site at peak periods

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