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Lendlease hailed most sustainable residential developer

Lendlease, the international property and infrastructure group, has today been ranked first among the top 25 UK residential developers based on sustainability performance according to the Next Generation initiative*.

Each housebuilder is assessed on sustainability performance, with scoring covering 15 different assessment sections with more than 70 different criteria. These include: sustainability governance, reporting, environmental management, Health & Safety, procurement, place-making, customer engagement and community development.

Lendlease was awarded top position because it firmly embeds sustainability wherever it has a presence, with committed vision and targets. The company scored particularly high in the 'community and customer engagement' category.

A number of Lendlease's innovative projects include:

- **Trafalgar Place** at Elephant & Castle is set to be one of the lowest-impact, most biodiverse urban developments in the UK. As well as replacing carbon-intensive materials with greener alternatives such as cross-laminated timber and geopolymer concrete, world-leading ecologists have been engaged to promote biodiversity on the site.

Elephant Park, Lendlease's £2.3 billion regeneration of the area, is one of just 19 projects globally participating in the C40 Cities Climate Positive Development Programme, a ground-breaking global initiative to shape the future of sustainable urban regeneration that will see the development become Climate Positive by 2026

- **Cobalt Place** in Battersea is located on the site of an abandoned school building. The new residential blocks have all been built using cross-laminated timber and include green roofs, there are new trees in the public realm, and a majority of the units have electric vehicle charging point.

Paul King, Managing Director of Sustainability and External Affairs, Lendlease, said: "The UK faces a chronic housing shortage whilst globally we face unprecedented challenges including rapid urban population growth, resource depletion, and climate change. We have a responsibility to deliver homes that are truly fit for the future, by designing and creating the best places to the highest sustainability standards.

"Social and environmental sustainability is at the heart of everything we do – and it's great to be recognised by NextGeneration, the most rigorous benchmark of its kind, with a Gold Award for the second year running."

Sophie Walker, UK Head of Sustainability at JLL, said: "NextGeneration was set up over 10 years ago to drive transformation in the residential housebuilding sector within

the UK. As secretariat to NextGeneration, JLL is delighted to see Lendlease's progress in the benchmark over this time, as recognised in 2016 by its achievement of the top overall score within the benchmark for the first time. By bringing global best practice to its residential and mixed use developments across the UK, Lendlease is setting an inspiring example."

You can find out more about some of the places Lendlease is creating in the recent report: [Creating the best places, fit for the future](#).

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* The ranking is operated by Jones Lang LaSalle and is part of the Next Generation initiative, which is overseen by an Executive Committee which includes the Homes and Communities Agency and UK Green Building Council.

About Lendlease

- 1) Lendlease is a leading international property and infrastructure group. In the UK, it is the only fully integrated retail, residential and commercial provider delivering end-to-end property solutions. The company has core capabilities in development, investment management, construction, asset and property management.
- 2) Lendlease is behind some of London's largest and most exciting mixed-use regeneration projects such as Elephant & Castle and International Quarter London.
- 3) Lendlease is listed on the Australian Securities Exchange and operates in four key regions – Australia, Asia, Americas and Europe. The group has more than 12,000 employees worldwide.