

HOW IT ALL STARTED

PwC has a long history of supporting the communities it operates in through its community affairs programmes. It was one of the first corporates to move south of the river into Southwark Towers in 1975. Since then it has developed sustainable volunteering programmes, increasing the employability skills of young people in the borough.

On Boxing Day 2004, Chef Simon Boyle watched in sadness as hundreds of thousands of people became victims of the Indian Ocean Tsunami. Knowing he had to do something to help, he flew to Sri Lanka and volunteered as part of the post-Tsunami relief team assisting a small community to rebuild their lives. This began Simon's lifelong passion and commitment to help and support others. Beyond Food Foundation was born.

When PwC leased the historic Fire Station on Tooley Street in London as part of their agreement for their new More London office they were initially unsure what to do with the derelict but historically important building. The Executive Board of PwC, chaired by Ian Powell with Richard Collier-Keywood as board member responsible for Community Affairs and David Adair, Head of Community Affairs, were determined that the space should become a social enterprise hub and worked with others in the firm and Simon, who had secured a grant from the Homes and Communities Agency. PwC's drive to do the right thing for the communities they







operate in, combined with Simon's passion, sparked the initial idea for Brigade, a unique tri-sector partnership.

As plans developed and expanded into the creation of a social enterprise hub, other partners came on board. Notably **De Vere Venues** to manage the Bar & Bistro, meeting space and cook school and **Big Issue Invest** who joined the partnership as an investor to support the venture. **Social Enterprise UK**, the **School for Social Entrepreneurs** and **Blossoms Healthcare** all agreed to house operations at the Fire Station and PwC decided to create a Centre for Social Impact within the building to foster social innovation and impact measurement and share its knowledge to accelerate positive change.

Together, **Beyond Food**, **PwC**, **De Vere Venues** and **Big Issue Invest** formed a partnership that uniquely brought together third sector, private and public expertise. This is the story of their journey so far...











A MATCH MADE IN HEAVEN?

The journey began with an idea and a lot of passion but turning that into a reality wasn't always easy. As experts in corporate mergers, PwC was ideally placed to bring all the parties together. Richard Collier-Keywood remembers, "We wanted to create something that brought together public, private and third-sector expertise, creating a flagship for business and social enterprise partnering. It was the most complicated deal I have ever done in my life."

"As well as our partners, collectively we have worked with Babcock Training who help with training, Jobcentre Plus, hostels and potential employers for our apprentices. Something this complicated doesn't just happen without a lot of hard work but no one party would have been able to achieve this on their own."

It was worth it. The social impact is significant with 593 people completing the Freshlife prgramme and 69 people completing United Kitchen apprenticeships since Brigade opened, not to mention the hundreds more who've been inspired to change their lives through the Beyond Food programmes.





PROGRAMME

Freshlife is five days of interactive workshops that use food as a catalyst to motivate and inspire people who have been at risk of or experienced homelessness.

Participants cook new dishes, tour and dine at a local market, and learn what it takes to prepare and eat nutritious and balanced meals.

BEYOND FOOD GET STUCK IN PROGRAMME

Get Stuck In is a professional work experience course that gives participants the skills and experience they need to work in London's catering industry.

BEYOND FOOD UNITED KITCHEN APPRENTICESHIP

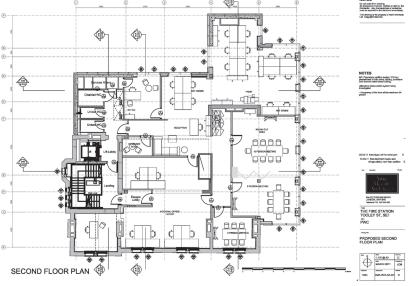
The United Kitchen Apprenticeship is a fully certified, 13-month apprenticeship programme. Starting twice a year, in March and September, United Kitchen Apprentices spend 6 months working in the professional kitchen at Brigade Bar & Bistro and then move into work placements with our Employer Partners for the remaining seven months, which can lead to full-time employment.



FIT OUT AND REFURB - APRIL 2010

How do you choose your table settings, the colour scheme, appliances, branding, glasses, wine selection, suppliers, tables, chairs? How do you decide on your architect, what your sustainable practices will be, who will do what and how you'll measure success? Answer: talk to more partner organisations who share the same passion for doing the right thing and building a commercially viable business with a social purpose. Work with likeminded organisations like Anne Machin architects, Bibendum wines, Lanson Champagne, Overbury, Turnips, Turners and Fairfax to create an enterprise whose bottom line is about social and environmental impact.





The Fire Station has a lighting control system which reduces the amount of energy

The Fire Station
has a variable
refrigerant system
(VRS) which adjusts the
climate in the building
and reduces the
embedded carbon in
the pipes

BRIGADE: A TIMELINE



One of London's first Fire Stations is built on Tooley Street

1879



Chef Simon Boyle volunteers in Sri Lanka as part of the Tsunami relief team

> DEC 2004



Simon Boyle wins Spark competition sponsored by PwC

2008

Beyond Food Foundation is registered as a charity

> 7 JUN 2010



Brigade opens its doors and welcomes the first cohort of

> **23 SEP** 2011

1861

22 JUN 1861

Fire breaks out in a jute warehouse on Tooley Street leading to the passing of the Metropolitan Fire Brigade Act 1865



1975

PwC moves into Southwark occupying Southwark Towers. the site now home to the Shard

2006

PwC leases 7 More London and the historic Fire Station



8 SEP 2009

Beyond Food is incorporated and begins operations

> **APR** 2011

Refurbishment of the Fire Station begins



10 JUL 2011

De Vere

Venues announces

partnership with

Beyond Food and PwC

to reignite Fire Station

NUL

2011

The partnership unveils Brigade's visual identity and brand

> Johnson officially opens the Fire Station as part of National Apprenticeship



Mayor Boris

7 FEB

2012



Brigade's first ever cohort of apprentices graduate

> MAR 2012



Duke of York, HRH Prince Andrew visits the Fire Station

> FEB 2013

Brigade wins Trip Advisor Certificate of Excellence 2014

> MAY 2014



Beyond Food wins Lord Mayor's Dragon Award (Community Partner) for Brigade Bar & Bistro

> 3 OCT 2014



Fighth
Fresh Life
programme
welcomes more than
100 people who have
been at risk of or
experienced
homelessness

5 JAN 2015

2015

4 APR 2012

Prime Minister David Cameron visits the Fire Station to meet and cook with apprentices



6 JUN 2013

Brigade represents UK as the caterer for the G8 conference on social impact investment 2 APR 2014

Brigade

wins Open

Table Diners'

Choice award

2014

APR 2014

The Lord Mayor of London, Fiona Woolf hosts a reception of business leaders, social entrepreneurs and former Brigade apprentices to celebrate Brigade's achievements



22 JUL 2014

Le Club des Chefs des Chefs – chefs to the world's most powerful individuals – visits Brigade 26 NOV 2014

Brigade caters for UK Social Enterprise Awards 2014



TEN, NINE, EIGHT... **SEPTEMBER 23 2011**

"As the day we would open our doors drew closer, the tension and excitement mounted," says Simon Boyle, Chef Founder, Beyond Food. "We knew we were doing something totally unique because of the collaboration between sectors. But we also knew we had to make it a success both commercially and in terms of social impact. It wasn't a charitable project; it was an enterprise with a social mission. I'd been running Beyond Food for several years so I knew there was demand to help people change their lives but I didn't know whether we could run a successful social enterprise restaurant in the heart of London."



Simon Boyle campaigns for mutton to be used on menus, as well as cheaper lesser cuts of other meats such as beef shin and Oxtail, which means there is less waste





GOING LEGIT

Although Brigade began trading in 2011, its official opening was marked in February 2012 when Mayor of London, Boris Johnson took time out during National Apprenticeship Week to meet with Brigade apprentices and speak to representatives from London community organisations, charities and social enterprises, PwC Chairman, Ian Powell says, "We are really proud of the way our people have supported Brigade, providing vital business know-how during difficult economic times and helping to change lives in our local community." Boris Johnson commented that the Fire Station was "social enterprise at its best."

Later in 2012, Prime Minister David Cameron was among the first to congratulate the very first cohort of chefs graduating from the United Kitchen apprenticeship when he visited the Fire Station in April.

Adrian Osinski, COO of De Vere Venues says "It was a long road to get the Fire Station planned, developed and delivered but to see the transformation and the impact on the trainees, in such a short space of time, has made every second worthwhile."

What's more, turnover has increased yearon-year meaning we hope soon to be able to fulfil our ambition of reinvesting in other community projects.





CELEBRATING THREE YEARS IN BUSINESS

Now we're three and what a ride it's been. We've hosted dignitaries and royalty, won awards, cooked with the best chefs in the world and provided quality food, drink and entertainment to a diverse community. But most importantly, we've changed lives. People who were once homeless, iobless and vulnerable are now working in good jobs, thriving and happy. We couldn't have done it without the amazing, generous support of everyone who has raised funds, donated cash, equipment, produce or time, bought a drink, meal or meeting room, mentored apprentices, promoted events, introduced donors. cooked with us, waited tables with us and, crucially, told others about what we do.

And that's just for starters..!

THANK YOU TO...

...all those who have generously donated time, money or supplies as well as everyone involved in our success so far:

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The Lord Mayor's Dragon Awards

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