Our role in the Community

We believe we all have a shared responsibility for We are proud of the relationships we have developed through our support of local communities.

programme, we work closely with various social providing pro bono legal advice for the benefit of the communities we work in.



We work with many individuals and organisations, large and small. Some of our significant and ongoing relationships include:















Some examples include:



Our relationship with the Auckland Theatre Company has developed over 20 years and continues to grow each year. We were thrilled to support the development and opening of the theatre in 2016. Since then we have continued to assist the Auckland Theatre Company with pro bono legal work and we are fortunate to be part of the magic the theatre brings to Auckland's cultural life. We are committed to sustaining the theatre in the heart of Auckland.



Only a few hundred years ago, millions of kiwi roamed Aotearoa. Today, New Zealand is home to 68,000 kiwi, and despite efforts that number drops by 2% every year. Kiwis for kiwi is the national kiwi charity that, in partnership with the Department of Conservation, works alongside community-, iwi- and hāpu-led kiwi conservation projects all over New Zealand to reverse that 2% decline and take our national icon from endangered to everywhere. Kiwis for kiwi also manages several kiwi incubation and crèching facilities as part of their own kiwi conservation strategy. We are committed to our long-term relationship and support Kiwis for kiwi on a pro bono basis. We have assisted them with sponsorship arrangements, intellectual property and trust matters.



Eat My Lunch operates a
Buy One, Give One model.
We use Eat My Lunch to
cater for meetings where
possible and for firm-wide
celebrations, meaning each
lunch we buy provides a
lunch to a Kiwi kid who
would otherwise go
without. We also volunteer
our time to help make
lunches for the kids that
this organisation supports.



We work with this non-profit New Zealand-based organisation, who have developed a reporting App based on maritime navigation technology that allows seafarers, sailors, and the public to collect georeferenced information on surface pollution by simply taking a photo. The imagery and locational data will then be incorporated into maps and charts, and provided to recovery and clean-up groups, researchers, and the authorities. A number of our Dentons Kensington Swan lawyers are involved in this initiative. We don't have ships, so our contribution was to provide significant pro bono legal support to set up the relevant entities and international contractual support.

Eyesea now involves companies from Germany, Singapore, the Philippines, Greece, Hong Kong, the Netherlands, Norway, Cyprus, Canada, Australia, the US, the UK, the Isle of Man, and Monaco. Community volunteers from the UK, The US, Chile, New Zealand, Greece, Canada, South Africa, Papua New Guinea are testing the early stage application of the reporting platform. At-sea trials on over 20 commercial ships are being concluded and it is expected the Eyesea platform will go live in mid 2021.

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