



NEWS RELEASE

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1,000 mile charity bike ride

GB Building Solutions' staff has just started a 1000 mile charity bike ride. The bike ride started at the Foundry House project in Newcastle and will take in all of the company's 31 sites and six offices. The ride will finish at GB Building Solutions' head office in Sunbury on the 15th May, with the directors: Martin Smout, Peter Stone and Mike Lethaby, cycling the final 28 mile leg of the journey.

Each leg of the journey will be undertaken by up to four riders with more than 100 members of staff taking part.

Each office has organised sponsorship to go to a different hospice in its own area.

The six charities are:

St Oswald's Hospice in Newcastle

St Luke's Hospice in Sheffield

St Ann's Hospice in Manchester

Cynthia Spencer Hospice in Northampton

St. Giles' Hospice in Lichfield

The Shooting Star Children's Hospice near Sunbury

GB Building Solutions hopes to raise a minimum of £30,000 providing at least £5000 to each hospice. The charity bike ride is being supported by staff and GB Building Solutions' supply chain, clients and consultants.

At the end of each leg of the journey the group of cyclists will write a short blog of their trip and send photos that will be published on the company's intranet so that all staff can follow the progress of their colleagues.

Martin Smout, Chairman and Chief Executive of GB Building Solutions says, "We take our community responsibility very seriously. The bike ride is a fun and active way to



get all of our staff and our clients involved while at the same time putting something back into the communities in which we work.”

For more information on GB Building Solutions please visit: www.gb-building.co.uk

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Notes for Editors

GB Building Solutions is a solutions-focused construction company which believes in adding value and delivering on the promises it makes to its customers.

GB Building Solutions has six offices based throughout England and undertakes a range of new build and refurbishment projects in both the public and private sectors. It specialises in five sectors:

- ❖ Accommodation
- ❖ Commercial
- ❖ Education
- ❖ Hotels and leisure
- ❖ Non-acute health

GB Building Solutions was previously known as Gleeson Building. The name change to GB Building Solutions is the final step in a transition that started with a management buyout of MJ Gleeson’s building division in July 2005.