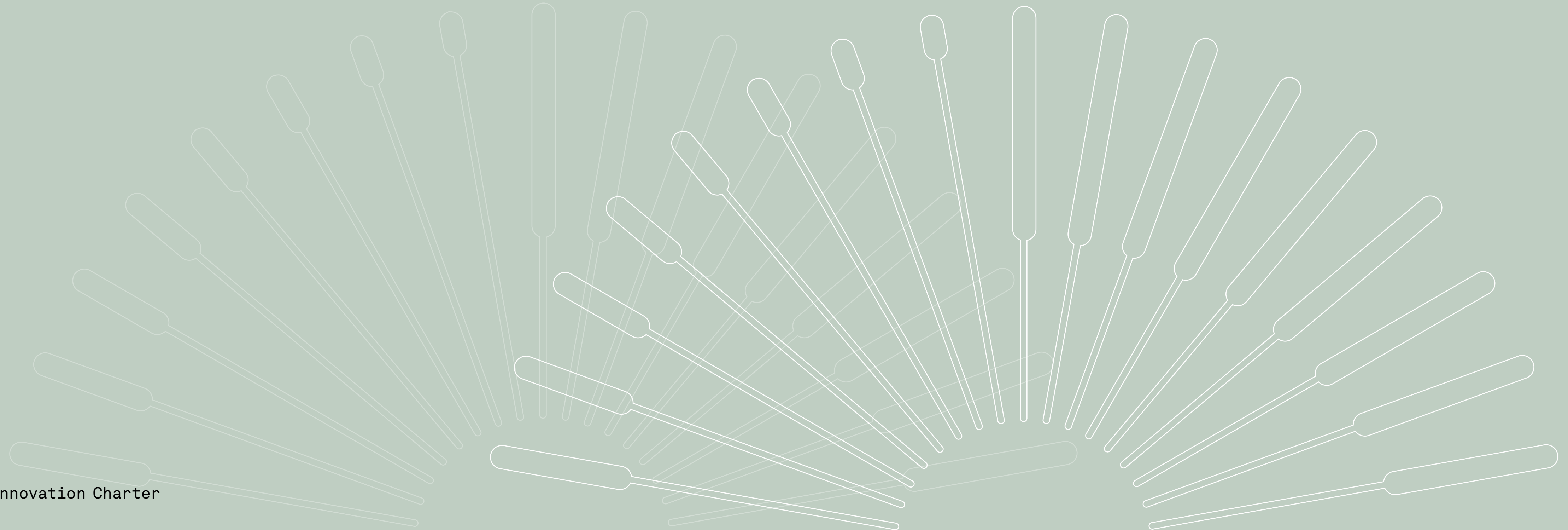


# Sheppard Robson Sustainability & Innovation Charter.

Unwavering focus on the big picture



## A critical moment in time

During the current Covid-19 pandemic, it is understandably easy to lose site of any crises beyond the most immediate—most notably the fight against climate change and global environmental degradation.

However, we believe at this critical moment in time, we must not lose focus on our responsibility to combat climate change. The challenge we are all facing is urgent—it is happening now and not slowing down.

In light of this, Sheppard Robson is committing to amplifying our long-standing engagement with sustainability, seizing new opportunities to move beyond ‘back to normal’ to accelerate sustainable development.

We recognise that a practice of our size and position within the industry should not be tied to a single solution; instead, we should be knowledgeable and confident in critically applying innovative, multi-faceted approaches to create deliverable, sustainable solutions.

We believe that optimisation will come from our dexterity and unwavering focus on the big picture, delivered through seven key tenets:

01/ Promote – environmentally and socially sustainable practice, innovation and action.

02/ Establish – ambitious and achievable mitigation targets and indicators.  
Monitor and Verify.

03/ Employ – sustainable design principles aligned to the RIBA 2030 Sustainable Outcomes.

04/ Evaluate – in-use project performance in order to inform and optimise.

05/ Realise – a comprehensive methodology for net zero whole life carbon.

06/ Integrate – health, wellness and fairness considerations into practices and operations.

07/ Share – knowledge, research and data in an effective and considered manner.

Responsible sustainable design requires an informed approach—one that cultivates thought leadership in addition to exemplary results. We aim to demonstrate leadership in the following ways:

### Projects

We work diligently with our clients to realise practical, exemplar solutions—from designing the Lighthouse, the UK's first net zero-carbon house; to Deloitte's London headquarters, both the largest WELL Certified™ Gold interiors' project and the highest ever scoring BREEAM 2014 Refurbishment and Fit-out project in the world; to setting a new standard for urban greening with Citicape House, featuring the largest green wall in Europe (40,000ft²).

Many of our projects are recognised for their outstanding sustainability achievements, including a 2019 RIBA Sustainability Award for the University of Birmingham Collaborative Teaching Laboratory, a 2019 CoreNet Global UK Sustainable Leadership Award for Deloitte, and the 2019 British Council for Offices Innovation Award for Interserve's UK Hub and Refurbished / Recycled Workplace Award for Hanover House.

### Practice

The practice has gained industry recognition as sustainability leaders, having won and been shortlisted on several occasions for the AJ Sustainable Practice of the Year Award, with our most recent shortlisting in 2019.

### Staff

Our established Sustainability & Innovation team, with a fully dedicated Head of Sustainability, spearheads meaningful research and practice initiatives, including an annual award-winning Green Week and a comprehensive internal education curriculum—ensuring the entire Sheppard Robson family is empowered in our journey towards a more responsible future.

Our staff initiatives were recognised as Best Employee Engagement programme by the Camden and Islington Sustainability Awards 2019.

### Community

We actively contribute to a range of social and community initiatives, exemplified by our 'Opening Doors, Opening Minds' programme. Initiatives include facilitating over 1,350 hours of youth work placements, mentoring students in Camden Highline Urban Learners STEAM education programme, and collaborating with Lifeshare to contribute towards meaningful volunteer projects.

### Operations

We maintain an ISO 14001 compliant Environmental Management System, continually improving our performance across all locations and aspects of the practice. We have achieved formal recognition for our carbon reduction initiatives through the Camden Climate Change Alliance Marks of Achievement award in 2018.

### Qualifications

Our team holds multiple third-party qualifications in leading sustainability and wellbeing rating systems, including industry recognised BREEAM, Passivhaus, WELL Building Standard, RICS Ska Rating, and FitWel systems.

### Our supporting commitments and certifications:

- Signatories of UK's Architects Declare Climate and Biodiversity Emergency commitment.
- Signatories of the AJ's RetroFirst Campaign.
- Camden Climate Change Alliance Members.
- UKGBC and Advisory Group Board Members.
- ISO 9001 and 14001 Certified.

## 01. Hardman Square Pavilion

Sheppard Robson's Hardman Square Pavilion features an expressed timber frame, which mitigates environmental impact due to its low embodied energy, exemplifying our belief that design sustainability should not compromise function or beauty; rather, it should be informed by an ambition to improve efficiency and reduce a building's impact on climate change.

## 02. Deloitte

Designed by Sheppard Robson's interior group, ID:SR, Deloitte's 270,000ft<sup>2</sup> addition to its London campus embraces agile working and an intelligent building system to drive efficiencies and set new standards for wellness and sustainability, becoming the largest WELL Gold, New and Existing Interiors project worldwide, and the first to achieve both BREEAM Outstanding and WELL Gold.



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02. Deloitte



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## 01. Lighthouse

The Sheppard Robson-designed Lighthouse was the UK's first net zero-carbon house. The design set the precedent for homes where innovative environmental systems and construction methods do not compromise the quality of the occupants' life, but add to it—creating adaptable, flexible spaces designed for sustainable modern living.

## 02. Citicape House

Citicape House, a hospitality-led, mixed-use project, is characterised by the largest green wall in Europe (40,000ft<sup>2</sup>), creating a distinctive architectural addition to a gateway City of London site, while absorbing eight tonnes of pollution annually and setting the standard for urban greening in London.



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02. Citicape House

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