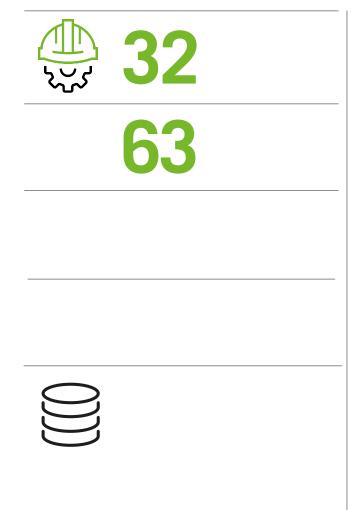




Each year, Fortem works with Acorn's children hospice to complete essential repairs and maintenance works to the building, including bereavement suite upgrades, replacing the summer house, and f tting a new kitchen and ceiling. Fortem has also donated £6,000 worth of materials since 2016 and completed 1,124 hours of volunteer time. Each year Fortem donates the Christmas tree and lights for the children in the hospice and lends support Equans has an annual commitment of £6.8million for social value work. Since their contract started over £2m has been delivered. This has meant:



## APPRENTICESHIP UPDATE

Currently Equans have 27 apprentices across Birmingham and over the course of the contract, Equans has committed to creating 32 apprenticeships for local people, alongside working with the city's schools and colleges to provide work experience and careers advice.

## Sam Evans, Leo Heath, Zohaib Ali, Ali asuhabi, Kieran ward and Jaheim Thomas

6 new apprentices have been recruited in 2022, undertaking apprenticeships in Carpentry, Plumbing and Electrical with South and City College. Equans are also working with supply chain



partners to increase the number of opportunities for apprentices across new programmes. Paul Bingham, Regional Director at Equans, said: "As part of our work in Birmingham, it's really important that we are



able to leave a lasting legacy for residents of the city by creating these opportunities to embark on a new career in construction, whilst learning skills that will last a lifetime'.

