

## **Public statement – Covid Fashion Commitments**

Hallenstein Glassons are committed to standing alongside our suppliers in these unprecedented times. In support of the Tearfund Covid Fashion Commitment, we fully endorse the call to action in supporting garment workers in our supply chain.

In recognising our responsibility throughout the impact of COVID-19, we have worked closely with our suppliers and ensured flexibility on payment terms to support the respective businesses. We have paid in full for all goods that left factories prior to lockdown and remain committed to taking delivery of all finished orders. Whilst for a brief period in lockdown we did pause buying, we are now back trading and receipting orders from previously made garments and proactively working with suppliers on fabrics that we have committed to.

We recognise the importance of collaboration with our partners to ensure we have a clear understanding of the challenges facing their business and workers. We value the continued support from SgT Qualspec and the work they do in supporting worker welfare and assessing compliance to our Code of Conduct. To further enable our commitment to support workers, we have engaged China NGO – Inno, offering independent support and guidance to workers on a case by cases basis.

We value our relationships, with many of our suppliers having worked with us for over 10 years. The strong partnerships that we have formed has allowed us to work collaboratively to help mitigate the economic impact on supplier's businesses and workers as the world responds to COVID-19.