



## NEWS RELEASE

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### RJC CERTIFIES BROWN AND NEWIRTH LIMITED

LONDON - RJC announced today that Brown and Newirth Limited, the UK-based jewellery manufacturer has achieved Certification by meeting the highest ethical, social and environmental standards established by the RJC.

"RJC warmly congratulates Brown and Newirth Limited on its Certification. The successful verification assessment was conducted by Roshini Wickramasinghe from SGS, one of the independent third-party auditing firms accredited by the RJC," says Catherine Sproule, RJC's Chief Executive Officer - Interim.

"As a jewellery manufacturer we are delighted our business has achieved this significant status. Receiving RJC Certification means we can demonstrate our customers that our jewellery practices and processes meet the highest standards set by the RJC. It gives our customers assurance that the beautiful piece of jewellery they have acquired has been manufactured in a responsible way," says John Ball, Director, Brown and Newirth. He adds: "It was important for us to begin the process two years ago at the time we joined the RJC. The journey to RJC Certification has enabled us to appreciate and fully understand the Council's requirements for ethical, responsible and social practices across all areas of our business. This certification signals a new chapter for Brown and Newirth as we fast approach our 50th anniversary."

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#### About RJC

The Responsible Jewellery Council is an international not-for-profit standards and certification organisation. It has more than 470 Member companies that span the jewellery supply chain from mine to retail. RJC Members commit to and are independently audited against the RJC Code of Practices – an international standard on responsible business practices for diamonds, gold and platinum group metals. The Code of Practices addresses human rights, labour rights, environmental impact, mining practices, product disclosure and many more important topics in the jewellery supply chain. RJC also works with multi-stakeholder initiatives on responsible sourcing and supply chain due diligence. The RJC's Chain-of-Custody Certification for precious metals supports these initiatives and can be used as a tool to deliver broader Member and stakeholder benefit.

The RJC is a [Full Member of the ISEAL Alliance](#) – the global association for sustainability standards. For more information on RJC Members, Certification, and Standards please visit [www.responsiblejewellery.com](http://www.responsiblejewellery.com)

#### About Brown and Newirth Limited

British jewellery manufacturer Brown and Newirth have been handcrafting collections of fine jewellery since 1967. Their team of highly skilled and experienced craftsmen create bespoke pieces to accommodate their customers' individual taste and desire. Combining state of the art technology and marrying it seamlessly with traditional hand craftsmanship, Brown and Newirth create truly unique rings in platinum, white, yellow and pink gold and palladium.

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Based in Hatfield, they specialise in creating beautiful collections of bridal, commitment and partnership jewellery.  
For more information visit [www.brownandnewirth.com](http://www.brownandnewirth.com)

**RJC Certification Information – Brown and Newirth Limited**

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