

Press Release  
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## **HACKNEY HOMES RESIDENTS REAP FRUITS OF THEIR LABOUR**

Green fingered Millfield residents joined forces with the "Beecholme & Casimir Community Growing Project" on Sunday 20 Feb to transplant 2 fruit trees in North Millfield Park. Both groups were helped by the Tree Musketeers, volunteers who plant, protect and help preserve trees in Hackney to plant a semi-dwarf almond tree and a plum tree.

Christine Williamson (Beecholme and Casimir TRA vice-chair) with help from fellow TRA member Evans arranged the hand over and donated the trees which were moved from Beecholme Estate allotments to make way for a new greenhouse.

Cabinet Member for Crime, Sustainability and Customer Services Councillor Sophie Linden says: "Trees play a large part in enhancing our quality of life in busy cities and help preserve the eco-system." She adds: "It's great to see a group of residents taking time out to plant these beautiful trees and I hope that it encourages more local people to get involved."

A further tree (cherry) was transplanted on Sunday 27th March.

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### **Notes to Editors**

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