

Press release  
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## **Hackney Homes and Mulalley take to the water to raise money for charity**

Hackney Homes staff teamed up with Mulalley to take part in a Dragon Boat Race in aid of CRASH, the construction and property industries' charity for homeless people.

The team of eleven named Mulalley & Hackney Homes Dragons went up against 39 teams over the 200m race course and were crowned the champions and they set the fastest time on the day. They were watched by hundreds of spectators who cheered them on at the West Reservoir Centre.

The team jointly raised over £12,000 for CRASH which will go a long way to help homeless people in London and across the South East.

Charlotte Graves, Chief Executive of Hackney Homes said: "We are proud of the team for joining up to help such a worthwhile cause. They have achieved a great deal and they deserve a pat on the back".

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### **Notes to Editors**

- Dragon boat racing is an ancient Chinese tradition where up to 10 people paddle each 30' boat with a drummer at the front beating time and a helm at the tail steering a straight course.
- CRASH is the construction and property industries' charity for homeless people. CRASH offers practical help that focuses on improving the buildings used by homeless men and women. We do this in three ways;
  - Providing on-site professional expertise
  - Supplying free building materials
  - Awarding cash grants
- For further information please visit [www.crash.org.uk](http://www.crash.org.uk) or call the CRASH office on **020 8742 0717**.