

## Press release

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### **Hackney Homes puts the spotlight on the achievements of local people**

It is not often that we get a chance to celebrate the achievements of local people making a difference in our community. The Hackney Homes Active Residents Awards gives us a chance to do this.

It could be your neighbour, your local Tenants and Residents Representative, your youth club coordinator or the boys who organise the football sessions on your estate weekly.

Why not nominate them for an award by logging on to [www.hackneyhomes.org.uk](http://www.hackneyhomes.org.uk) and clicking on the link for Active Residents Award 2007? There are three categories to choose from – Resident of the Year, Group of the Year and Young Person of the Year.

All nominated residents will be invited to a special awards ceremony hosted by Hackney Homes and they could be the winner of £1000 prize money to spend on local projects within your community.

Resident Board Member Rupert Tyson is encouraging residents to get involved and nominate their neighbours. “We want to recognise the residents who make Hackney a better place to live. There are lots of people who put in a lot of time and effort, or who are role models to others, and this is one way we can say thank them,” Rupert said.

Hackney Homes Chief Executive, Susmita Noonan said “Celebrating the achievements of local people is very important. Not only do we get a chance to thank them for a job well done, they can also inspire others to play their part to make a difference locally”.

The closing date for nominations is Friday 16th November 2007.

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