

## Media release

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### Stay fire safe at home

Hackney Homes is reminding all residents to stay fire safe at home and make use of the FREE Home Fire Safety Visits (HFSVs) run by the London Fire Brigade.

The HFSVs, carried out by locally based firefighters, provide information about how to reduce the risk of a fire occurring in your home as well as advice about reducing the risk of injury or death in the event of a fire.

The visits include the fitting of a FREE smoke alarm where required and advice on electrical safety, heaters, escape plans and safety routines.

Hackney Homes Chief Executive, Charlotte Graves, said: "At our recent Residents Open Day held in February, around 150 households signed up for the Home Fire Safety Visits. I am keen to see this figure increase and more awareness raised about how to be fire safe at home."

Phone 08000 28 44 28 or email [smokealarms@london-fire.gov.uk](mailto:smokealarms@london-fire.gov.uk) to book a free HFSV. For more information, check out the London Fire Brigade website [www.london-fire.gov.uk](http://www.london-fire.gov.uk)

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### Notes to Editors

- Hackney Homes is an Arms Length Management Organisation (ALMO) launched in April 2006 to manage the Council's social housing stock. Hackney Homes is led by a board which includes residents, councillors and independent representatives and is responsible for managing 22,000 tenanted properties and 8,000 leasehold properties in the borough. For further information visit [www.hackneyhomes.org.uk](http://www.hackneyhomes.org.uk)