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New children's play areas are a huge boost to residents on Camden estate

Youngsters on Camden's Juniper Crescent estate in Camden are now enjoying brand new playground facilities thanks to a £68,000 grant awarded by the People's Millions Big Lottery Fund.

The funding, which was received following a televised vote in December 2007, has helped transform the estate, providing a ball games area and new play equipment. A communal gardening project will also be set up as part of the regeneration programme.

Alasdair Gordon, Youth Services Manager at One Housing Group said: "The creation of new communal areas will bring huge benefit to residents at Juniper Crescent, particularly for children and young people living on the estate."

"Juniper Crescent previously suffered from considerable anti-social behaviour and drugs related crime however during 2007 One Housing Group and Camden Council invested in new fencing, gates and CCTV for the estate, which significantly reduced the problems. With the estate now being safer and more secure, it is the ideal time to invest in new communal areas, providing spaces where people are happy to spend time."

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Notes to Editors:

Community Action is a registered charity and undertakes a range of fundraising activities to enable the delivery of a range of social inclusion programmes. Community Action is part of One Housing Group.

One Housing Group currently manages over 12,000 homes in 26 local authorities across London and adjacent counties, with over 2,700 homes in the development pipeline. These include affordable rented homes, shared ownership schemes, intermediate rent homes for key workers, and homes for private sale. All new schemes look at the need for balanced communities and therefore include a mixture of tenures and uses.

Community Housing Association, Island Homes and Toynbee Housing Association joined to form One Housing Group in September 2007.

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