



Press release

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One Housing Group raises money for Lewisham Hospital through charity football match

One Housing Group (OHG) is encouraging residents, staff and local people to get involved in their first charity football match to raise money for Lewisham Hospital's Paediatric Intensive Care Unit (PICU).

Taking place on Thursday 14th January at 6:30pm at the Dulwich Football Ground, the OHG team will take on a team from recruitment specialists Medicare First. There are still a few places left on the One Housing Group Team and anyone wishing to play should contact Shaun Phidd, Community Investment Officer on 020 8821 5377 or 07814 211503. Players of all ages and abilities are welcome. All those taking part are asked to contribute £20 to cover costs and a small charity contribution. Spectators are also welcome, with tickets priced at £2 for adults and £1 for children. All proceeds will go to Lewisham Hospital's PICU.

Shaun Phidd, Community Investment Officer at One Housing Group, said: "We hope that the football match will bring together residents, staff and local people for an evening of fun as well as helping to raise money for this very worthy cause."

Lewisham Hospital's PICU was selected as the charity for the event following the kindness shown by staff at the unit and the excellent level of care provided when an OHG staff member's child was recently admitted to the unit.

Shaun commented: "Staff at Lewisham Hospital's Paediatric Intensive Care Unit are doing an amazing job and are helping to relieve the stress and anxiety of parents at times when their children are critically ill. We are delighted to donate all proceeds from the event to this worthwhile cause so that it can continue its fantastic work."

“Provided there is sufficient interest, we hope to organise similar events on an annual basis, with a different charity being selected on each occasion.”

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For further information please contact Fiona Crook at One Housing Group on telephone: 020 7428 4107 or email: fcrook@onehousinggroup.co.uk

Notes to Editors

The charity football match has been organised by One Housing Group’s Community Investment Team. All proceeds from the event will go to Lewisham Hospital’s Paediatric Intensive Care Unit.

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 shared ownership schemes; intermediate rent homes for key workers, affordable rented homes and homes for outright sale.

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