

HOLLOWAY PARK COMMUNITY

Project Update – January 2026

Dear Neighbours,

Green Skills Hub Recognised by Islington Adult Community Learning

Peabody and London Square were awarded Outstanding Partner by Islington Adult Community Learning (ACL) in recognition of the ongoing support for adult learners at Holloway Park.

The award celebrates the strong partnership that has enabled ACL to use space on the development and provide positive learning experiences for local residents. The award was presented at ACL's Celebration of Achievement event at Islington Town Hall by Mayor of Islington, Councillor Jason Jackson & Councillor Santiago Bell-Bradford.



Careers in Construction: Engaging Year 9 Students

London Square and Peabody recently took part in a careers fair at La Sainte Union Catholic Secondary School, engaging with Year 9 students to discuss careers in construction. Students learned about different roles within the industry, what a typical day on site looks like, and the wide range of pathways available beyond traditional stereotypes.

The session encouraged young women to consider construction as a viable and rewarding career option, with a focus on confidence, skills, and progression.



Next Drop-In Session
will be the **4th of February**
between 17:00pm to
19:00pm

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Opening Doors to Construction: Ruby Rixon's Story

Ruby Rixon took part in the plumbing pre-apprenticeship delivered at the Green Skills Hub at Holloway Park after hearing about the programme while she was unemployed and not in education. Interested in learning a trade but unsure how to access the industry, Ruby chose to join the course because she has always been a hands-on person and was intrigued by plumbing. She described the pre-apprenticeship as an enjoyable and positive experience, particularly valuing the practical, hands-on activities and the opportunity to visit an active construction site. The course gave her a real insight into the industry and helped build her confidence in a working environment she had not previously been exposed to.

Following completion of the pre-apprenticeship, Ruby progressed into on-site work experience, which enabled her to apply the skills she had learned and gain first-hand experience of working on a live development. This progression led to Ruby successfully securing a Level 3 Plumbing and Mechanical Apprenticeship, and she has now started working on site at Holloway Park.

Reflecting on her decision to pursue plumbing, Ruby explained that she has always wanted to learn a trade, describing it as "a skill for life – nobody can take it from you." Looking ahead, she hopes to complete her apprenticeship, gain several years of experience and progress into a supervisory role, adding that "Holloway Park has given me insight into the various pathways my career could go, and I'm excited for the future." When asked what advice she would give to other women considering construction, Ruby said: "Don't be scared. It can be nerve-racking, but it only takes a maximum of three days to feel settled. Don't let that be the reason you miss out on opportunities."



PROGRESS ON SITE

- All blocks: Concrete Frame Completed
- Block D1 – D3: Internal fit out up to level 5 and façade works in progress
- C1 & C2: façade works started, scaffolding, brickwork and SFS in progress

UPCOMING WORK

- Block D1 - D3: Scaffolding, brickwork and SFS, as well as internal fit out

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