

pioneering community

the power of community Relieving poverty, advancing education and overcoming discrimination

Introducing our new CEO, Simon Dancey

With a rich background in community development, education and international research, Simon has a track record of developing and delivering collaborative ventures and a passion for empowering local communities. Eager to bring these skills to help in promoting cooperative enterprises within the vibrant community of Hackney. Throughout his career, Simon has championed the principles of inclusivity, transparency, and community ownership.

"As I step into this new role, I am dedicated to leveraging my expertise in various leadership capacities, including as former CEO of the UK Skills Council, University Assistant Deputy Vice-Chancellor and British Council Global Research Director, to propel Hackney Cooperative Developments to new heights, driving economic resilience and social impact in the heart of Hackney."

Together with the team at HCD and the community, we are confident that we will forge a path towards a more equitable and cooperative future for all stakeholders involved. We welcome Simon.





May the joy of the season fill the hearts of all our stakeholders this Christmas, bringing warmth and cheer to you and your loved ones. As we approach the end of this year, let us embrace hope and extend our wishes for a healthy and prosperous 2024.

In the spirit of togetherness, we cordially invite you to **join us for the GS Festive Lunch on Thursday, December 14th, from 2pm to 4pm.** Let's share in the joy of the season with a potluck-style lunch where we can celebrate our collective journey. Your presence will add to the fun and festive spirit.

While this year has had its challenges, let us carry the torch of hope forward, believing that 2024 holds promise and opportunity. Together, we look forward to brighter days ahead filled with success, unity, and positivity. Wishing you a Merry Christmas and a New Year filled with peace, joy, and good health.

Here's to a hopeful and uplifting 2024!



Our groundbreaking Women's
Accountancy Project is aimed at qualified
accountants seeking paid work
placements.

Contact Hackney
Co-Operative Developments CIC at
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- 14th of December Festive
- Get-Together from 2-4 PM
- ZoOM Bike project on Thursdays from 3
 PM
- Pop-up Play returns next year

We close for the Christmas break.

See you in January!

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