Hackney Law Centre gets new patrons

A charity which provides free legal advice and representation to Hackney residents unveiled a host of high-profile patrons last month (Thursday 16 March), reports William Turvill.

Hackney Community Law Centre (HCLC) has appointed ten well-known public figures, including award-winning solicitor Louise Christian, to support its work in bringing greater justice to the borough.

HCLC chair Ian Rathbone said: "Our new patrons' support is good news for the poor and vulnerable in Hackney [who are] trying desperately to access justice in difficult times."

On making her first visit to the centre as a patron, Ms Christian, who has been involved in a number of high-profile cases across the world, said she hoped to add to the work of the HCLC by herself volunteering at legal advice sessions

She said: "The work that Hackney Community Law Centre is doing is enormously important for our community."