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## **Horwood Estate receives £80,000 lighting upgrade**

An £80,000 lighting improvements package at Horwood, Newcourt and Nordon Houses on Horwood estate, Bethnal Green, is set to finish by the end of March.

The work, funded by Tower Hamlets Council and carried out by Tower Hamlets Homes, involves the installation of new energy efficient lighting on staircases and outside each residents' front door.

There's also new floodlighting on the first floor balcony wall; and a number of lighting columns have been installed around the paths and car parks serving the estate.

Lighting projects are about making residents feel safe in their neighbourhoods, as well as helping to deter anti-social behaviour.

Tower Hamlets councillor and Deputy Leader Sirajul Islam recently visited Horwood Estate and said the lighting improvement works so far had made a significant difference to the area.

He said: "In the past when I have visited in the evening the whole area looked dark and gloomy but just recently when I visited, I felt safe and secure talking to residents at 9pm.

"The residents I spoke to also appreciate the lighting improvements. They have told us that they are feeling much safer at night and genuinely appreciate how much the extra lighting installed so far has improved the area."

The improvements are part of a £7.5 million investment by Tower Hamlets Council to improve conditions and safety at local estates.

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### **Notes to editor:**

1. Tower Hamlets Homes (THH) is an arm's-length management organisation (ALMO) managing approx. 22,000 tenants and leasehold properties on behalf of the Tower Hamlets council. Tower Hamlets

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