

# FOSS\* For The Third Sector Case Study

## Hackney Cooperative Development Dalston4London Project

<http://www.hced.co.uk/>



I was interested in exploring the use of Linux for the organisation I work for, Hackney Co-operative Developments. After attending an excellent seminar by Fossbox organised by HCVS I approached Paula and Fossbox directly about installing Ubuntu\*\* on a test machine. Their help was invaluable in assisting me to install, configure and run the software, so much so that felt confident enough to successfully upgrade the software to the latest version on my own (with just a single phone call to establish some facts, actually).

In addition to this I have installed and run Open Office firstly under direction of Fossbox, and I am now running Open Office on my work PC with a view to replacing Microsoft Office at our next technical refresh, possibly saving my organisation hundreds if not thousands of pounds in license fees.

In summary, I have found Paula Graham and Fossbox excellent to work with. They have been very proactive in help and support, and are extremely knowledgeable in their field. I would have no hesitation in recommending them to other companies for consultancy.

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\* Free and Open Source Software (FOSS)

\*\* Ubuntu is a free alternative to MS Windows: [www.ubuntu.org](http://www.ubuntu.org)

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