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Many (Tiny) Hands Make Light Work

**Letchworth Garden City, Hertfordshire, 9<sup>th</sup> May 2007**

Children from the Tiny Hands Pre-school got involved with improving their local area and had fun planting a tree at the centre of the new community garden on The Grange estate in Letchworth. Children and staff from the pre-school joined an officer from Groundwork Hertfordshire, the county's leading environmental regeneration charity, to plant the final tree in the garden.

Children helped to dig a hole for the tree and water it to help it grow. The tree planting is part of the completion stage of the Grange Central project, which has turned two unused car park areas in the centre of the estate into a community park. The area now includes a children's playground, a basketball area and a community garden and seating area. The site will officially be opened to the public at an event on June 16<sup>th</sup>. The project is managed by Groundwork Hertfordshire, working in partnership with North Herts District Council and North Herts Homes. Funding was also received from the BIG lottery fund, Letchworth Garden City Council, Biffaward, and Hertfordshire Police Authority.

Stephanie Head, head supervisor at the pre-school, said:

*"Our pre-school planted a tree in 1973 and one more in 1974 and we couldn't resist asking Groundwork if it would be possible to plant one in 2007. We are thrilled to be allowed to do this."*

Grace, aged nearly 3, summed up the experience:

*"It was good."*

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## **Notes to Editor**

### **Groundwork Hertfordshire**

Groundwork Hertfordshire is a leading member of a federation of over 50 Groundwork trusts across the UK. Groundwork Hertfordshire works with all sectors of the community to improve the environment and create sustainable communities that are vibrant, healthy and safe. For more information, please visit our web site at [www.groundwork.org.uk/hertfordshire](http://www.groundwork.org.uk/hertfordshire)

### **Grange Tiny Hands Pre-School**

Grange Tiny Hands Pre-School has been running in the Grange Community Centre for 41 years, currently with 63 children aged 2-4 on register.