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Minister in town

By *Sarah Cosgrove*

LOCAL government minister David Milliband came to the borough to visit a new volunteer "job centre".



• Trevor Moss (left) with David Milliband

The Volunteer Centre in High Road, Leyton, is one of several around the country which aim to help people find the volunteering placements they are looking for.

It is the largest of its kind in outer London and has been open since January after moving from the Alpha Business Centre in Walthamstow.

Executive director Trevor Moss said: "The idea of the Volunteer Centre brand is that people will think of us when they think of volunteering. It is like a job centre for volunteers.

"The minister was keen to see the centre and to understand what it was."

Mr Moss said that the centre saw 1,500 people a year, dealt with 200 organisations and will play a key role in finding the volunteers needed to help with the 2012 Olympic Games.

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Volunteers played a key role in all sections of society, he said, even the police and the council.

"There's no reason why the community cannot help itself," he added.

Mr Milliband said: "I was delighted to visit the Volunteer Centre in Leyton and can see it is a real hub for a wide range of much needed services, run for the public by volunteers.

"Leyton Volunteer Centre leads the way in bringing under one roof a whole host of voluntary projects run by community heroes. Those who contribute to it deserve recognition for delivering a local voluntary service which merits national attention and recognition."

Saying that he was interested in people who worked with children, the minister also dropped in to say hello to Sure Start, the Leyton and Lea Bridge Children's Association and Alert Children's Nursery which share the same building.

If you are interested in volunteering, visit the centre at 806 High Road, call 8539 8163 or visit www.volunteering.org.uk.

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