



Safety in your building

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Rainbow House,
Water Lane,
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Dear residents,

The latest on your block

It has been a few months since we've written to you with an update on the building safety situation in your block. I wanted to provide you with a short update, to reassure you that we are still working hard on your behalf to progress your project as safely and efficiently as possible.

Please note the building continues to operate a **Simultaneous Evacuation procedure**. This means in the event of a fire, you should leave the building immediately.

Building Safety Fund

You'll know that we have applied for the government's £1bn Building Safety Fund: <https://www.networkhomes.org.uk/media/10448/20200916-rainbow-fund-application-submitted-sent.pdf>. We have been in regular contact with the Ministry of Housing and have sent them over some additional information that they have requested. The fund is very heavily subscribed and so it is taking the government longer than anticipated to give us the application outcome.

We are hopeful that we will receive the outcome within the first quarter of 2021, but of course, this depends on the government. When we receive the outcome, we will write to you to let you know.

Contractor discussions

We're also continuing in our discussions with the building's original contractor. These are complex liability discussions which take time to progress, but we are committed to progressing these discussions on your behalf. Again, if/when we reach an agreement, we will write to you to let you know.

Webinar at next significant update

Depending on the outcomes of the two above, we may want to organise a webinar to discuss the next steps of the project and enable you to ask us questions. We'll also have a webinar close to the start of any construction work to go through things like scaffolding, security and disruption.

I hope you all remain well and had a pleasant festive period.

Kind regards

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Helpful information

Our website has a variety of pages dedicated to building safety and FAQs on issues you might be facing:

www.networkhomes.org.uk/your-home/building-fire-safety-and-cladding/.

We've got information covering lots of topics:

- EWS1 forms
- Remortgaging and product transfers
- Resident Associations
- Leaseholder groups
- Compensation eligibility
- Government position on funding.

We also upload all Building Safety letters sent to you: www.networkhomes.org.uk/your-home/my-block-documents-fras/.