



Latest update

Kilburn Quarter January 2021

Coronavirus (Covid-19) service updates

We're still providing our services throughout the Government's national lockdown. We're following government guidelines and advice to ensure your safety when we deliver our services therefore please continue to give our contractors access to attend to repairs and complete safety checks. You can read more about our service updates on our website at www.networkhomes.org.uk/covid19.

Security

In early January 2021 the lone security guard for Kilburn Quarters was viciously attacked by criminal non-residents. Although badly hurt the guard has since recovered and has bravely returned to his duties on the scheme. Following the attack United Guarding carried out a risk assessment and concluded that they could not continue the service with only one guard and as a result we withdraw the service at that time. On 7 January, we reinstated security on the scheme but with two guards with a promise that the cost for the second guard will not be recharged to residents. The second guard will remain until we've completed a consultation regarding an introduction of a two-person guarding contract. There will be no retrospective charges for the second guard.

ASB

We told you in the last newsletter that we've developed a toolkit to help you identify ASB and understand the steps you need to take if you're experiencing it. You can find the toolkit on our website at networkhomes.org.uk/asbtoolkit.

Building Safety Team update

We've got an EWS1 form for the North Block (15 Hansel and 72 Cambridge Road) which are available on our website

Hansel form https://www.networkhomes.org.uk/media/9799/ews1-signed-20919-network-homes-kilburn-quarter-north-block-hansel-1-26.pdf

Cambridge form https://www.networkhomes.org.uk/media/9798/ews1-signed-20919-network-homes-kilburn-quarter-north-block-72-cambridge-1-20.pdf

Letter https://www.networkhomes.org.uk/media/9922/20919-kilburn-north-block-ifc_ews1_cover-letter.pdf

We are working with a fire engineering consultant to obtain EWS1 certification for all the remaining blocks. We'll send you a letter with an update about this in the coming weeks.

You can email <u>customerservice@networkhomes.org.uk</u> if you have any questions.



Please keep an eye on our website especially the dedicated building safety section at www.networkhomes.org.uk/your-home/building-fire-safety-and-cladding/ for the latest updates

Parcel deliveries

We strongly recommend that you arrange for parcels to be delivered on dates when you will be at home to receive them. Alternatively, you may want to use the 'click & collect' service provided by many retailers. Network Homes accepts no liability for thefts of parcels as we are unable to monitor parcels left by delivery personnel.

Car park

Please be vigilant and do not allow any vehicles to tailgate you to gain access to the estate. We are aware that unauthorized vehicles are entering and taking up valuable parking spaces.

Fire safety and fire strategy

Network Homes has a zero tolerance to items being in the communal areas, including in riser cupboards. This is to ensure escape routes remain clear for if you need to evacuate in the event of a fire. Any items found in these areas will be removed and disposed of without prior notice. We must also remind you that smoking in enclosed spaces is illegal and barbeques are not allowed anywhere at this estate. **This is dangerous and puts everyone's safety at risk.** Anyone found to be ignoring this law could be found in breach of their tenancy.

The fire strategy is a stay put policy. This means unless you're directly affected by a fire, told by the emergency services or a Network Homes staff member to evacuate, you should stay in your home. Remember if you do need to evacuate because of a fire, do not use the lifts. Close the door behind you and safely make your way out of the building before calling the emergency services on 999. If you are unable to self-evacuate or evacuate using the stairs, please contact our Fire Safety Team on 0300 373 3000 so we can visit you and discuss a personal evacuation plan.

Stay connected with online community forums

We want to help you get to know people in your community by accessing or setting up online community forums. You can use them to provide support to other people or keep in contact with your neighbours and residents in your local area. If you want to find out if there is an existing forum in your area or set up and promote a new one, then our Resident Engagement Team can help. You can get in touch with them at get.involved@networkhomes.org.uk or on 0300 373 3000.

Report your repair through your My Network Homes account!

My Network Homes is your online account with Network Homes where you can report and book an appointment for most non-emergency repairs. You can also check your rent balance, pay your rent, and raise other service requests.



If you have a tenancy with Network Homes, you can register and set up an account. All you need is your customer reference number, a unique PIN which we sent to you and an email address. To find out more, including how to request a new unique PIN, visit

www.networkhomes.org.uk/mynetworkhomes.

Do you need support with claiming benefits?

Did you know Network Homes has its own welfare and benefits advice team? If you want to speak to the team call **0300 373 3000** or email <u>welfareadvisors@networkhomes.org.uk</u>.

Important contacts

If you have any **issues with communal cleaning or grounds maintenance service**, call Pinnacle on 0330 332 0845 or email networkhomes@pinnaclepsg.co.uk.

Got a repair? Or need any other information? Get in touch by:

- Your My Network Homes account www.mynetworkhomes.org.uk
- Phone -0300 373 3000
- Email customerservice@networkhomes.org.uk
- Website www.networkhomes.org.uk/contact-us
- Facebook Networkhomesuk
- Twitter -asknetworkhomes.

If you need to report crime or anti-social behaviour, please visit https://online.et.police.uk to report minor or non-urgent crimes.

