



Network Homes

Safety in your building

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Best House, Moss House, Smith House, Yashin House,
Matthews Close,
Wembley Park,
HA9

Dear residents,

Resident webinar to be held soon, site logistics being finalised

We last wrote to you to say we were hoping to hold a resident webinar in late August or early September. We were slightly ahead of ourselves as we're still ironing out the last few parts before we can hold the webinar. We apologise for the delay. Instead of overpromising again, we'll next write when we've got the date confirmed. This will be over the next few weeks.

We met with our contractor Mulalley and their subcontractors at Matthews Close on Wednesday (7 September), to finalise the site logistics ahead of the work to the cavity barriers to the stair cores. They are currently preparing their final programme and method statements which our consultants will need to review prior to starting on-site.

What work is required?

As a reminder, the work we need to do is contained to the stair cores – the cavity barriers (fire barriers that inhibit the passage of smoke and flames) and insulation which are found behind the glass spandrel panels. The scope of work has been identified by our chartered fire engineer, International Fire Consultants (Kiwa) and on completion of the work, they will be able to issue a PAS9980 compliant Fire Risk Assessment (FRAEW) and an EWS1 Form with a B1 rating. Along with International Fire Consultants, we will also have our consultants Airey Miller and John Rowan and Partners overseeing the remediation work. We will talk through the project, EWS1 form and our consultants' role in the webinar.

Lender letter

Lenders have said they may lend on a property without an EWS1 form if they receive a lender letter, which outlines the scope for the work, timelines and funding arrangements. Once we've got the project dates finalised, we'll be able to provide you with a 'lender letter'. This may allow you to sell, remortgage or staircase (buy more shares in your home) before the project is complete and you have received the EWS1 form.

You can view previous letters here: www.networkhomes.org.uk/matthewsbuidingsafety/. Get in touch with us on customerservice@networkhomes.org.uk if you have any questions.

Kind regards

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A summary of this letter

The resident webinar pencilled in for late August/early September will not be held yet as we're finalising the last few items. We'll write again once we're able to confirm a date.

We met with Mulalley and their subcontractors on Wednesday 7 September to finalise site logistics. Our consultants will need to review the final programme before we start on-site.

Work is required to the cavity barriers and insulation in the stair cores.

You may be able to sell, remortgage or staircase before you receive an EWS1 form, with a 'lender letter'. We'll provide this once we confirm the project dates.

A reminder

Your building's fire strategy is **stay put**, so you should stay in your home unless you are directly affected by smoke, heat or fire, or are told to evacuate by emergency services.