



Safety in your building

14 September 2022

Blanche Court and Larkspur Court,
Rectory Park,
Northolt,
UB5

Dear residents,

Awaiting fire engineer approval for contractor proposal

We last wrote to you to let you know about further assessments to your buildings which would disrupt parking in June. Following those inspections, the original contractor of your building has written up their findings and we've now received a proposal from them to remediate the issues within the external wall system.

As a reminder, our original investigations identified some issues with the installation of cavity barriers – these are designed to restrict the spread of smoke and flames in the external wall system.

Next steps

Over the coming weeks, our fire engineer will be reviewing the proposal to remediate your buildings. If they approve the proposal, we will be able to start the project to sort the issues in the external wall system. If we get to that stage, we'll write again to let you know our expectations for the project start date and subsequently will invite you to a resident webinar to go over all the details.

Further support

If you need further support, you can:

- Go to the London Fire Brigade's website, which is offering a free online tool which guides you through a fire risk assessment of your home (home visits are available for more vulnerable residents): <https://www.london-fire.gov.uk/safety/the-home/home-fire-safety/>
- Visit our website where we have a building safety section with lots of information and frequently asked questions: <https://www.networkhomes.org.uk/buildingandfiresafety/>
- View resources which may help: <https://www.networkhomes.org.uk/buildingsafetyresources/>
- Remind yourself of our top fire safety tips, including not using BBQs on balconies: <https://www.networkhomes.org.uk/advice/health-and-safety/fire-safety-top-tips/>
- Check our document library for your building's letters and documents – it takes a little while to load: <https://www.networkhomes.org.uk/rectorybuildingsafety/>
- 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

Following further checks made in June, the original contractor of your building has produced a proposal to fix issues with the installation of cavity barriers.

Cavity barriers are barriers in the external wall designed to slow the spread of smoke and fire.

Our fire engineer is reviewing the proposal and will let us know if it is approved over the coming weeks.

A reminder

Your building's fire strategy is **simultaneous evacuation**, which means you must evacuate if you hear the fire alarm, even if you think it is a false alarm.