

Safety in your building

10 October 2022

Templar House, Northolt Road, South Harrow, HA2

Dear residents,

Changes to 5th floor temporary move dates

We've completed the removal of the ceiling in the evacuation manager's old flat and this has been an extremely worthwhile experience. We have been able to more accurately define the scope of the firestopping work required to floors 5 and 6. We did not find anything unexpected, and we have identified fixes for the various issues we saw.

At the resident meeting with 5th and 6th floor residents, we outlined that we would be beginning the temporary moves in late October. We had intended to send the required eight week notice letter soon after the meeting, however this was delayed as we had not yet reached an agreement on the final scope of work with the contractor.

We sent the notices on 16 September, so we are now expecting moves to begin eight weeks after that on 11 November. We're booking one on one appointments with 5th floor residents now that the notice has been sent and will be able to answer all your queries and concerns about parking, your furniture, valuables and storage etc.

If you're on the 5th floor, you will shortly receive a copy of the Access Agreement you'll need to sign when you move out. If you have any questions, please ask these at your one to one appointment. This will give you time to review the document before your meeting.

Sixth floor remediation and appointments

At the moment, we're not expecting the above to affect the dates provided for the 6th floor. If that changes, we will let you know.

Your one on one appointments will take place when we send out the eight week notice to you – the earliest this will be is the beginning of December. We'll need to focus on liaising with 5^{th} floor residents as they will be moved first. We also hope that the feedback we get from residents on the 5^{th} floor will mean a smoother process for you when it is your turn to move.

Two bedroom accommodation

We've now been able to secure two bedroom accommodation at Atrium Point, where we have already secured the one bedroom accommodation. For those of you who require a two bedroom property, please familiarise yourself with the information about the temporary accommodation contained in the following document on page 22: https://www.networkhomes.org.uk/media/15032/20220825-templar-5-6-firestopping-resident-meeting-sent.pdf.

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A summary of this letter

Due to ironing out the final scope of the work, the dates of the 5th floor moves have now moved by around three weeks, to 11 November.

At the moment, we don't expect this to affect 6th floor moves in late January, but will notify you if that changes.

Two bedroom flats have now been secured at Atrium Point as well as one bedroom flats.

External wall remediation will restart in October and fire door replacement is very nearly complete.

<u>A reminder</u>

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.

External wall remediation and fire door replacement

Remedial work to the external wall system on the top two floors will restart on 10th October 2022. In addition, the work to replace fire doors is nearing completion, with one communal door and two flat entrance doors to complete.

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/templarbuildingsafety/
- Get in touch with us on customerservice@networkhomes.org.uk if you have any questions.

Kind regards

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