

Safety in your building

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9-19 Robsart Street and 1-11 Thornton Street.
Stockwell,
SW9

Dear residents,

Protective external window film to be applied from next week

Our contractor Higgins will be applying a clear protective window film to the outside of windows at 1 and 7 Thornton Street. The protective film will ensure there is no damage to your windows when we begin to apply the render over the coming weeks. The render is a thick paste-type substance and so without the film, there could be a risk of it spilling and marking your windows. The film is clear and so will have a minimal effect on the light coming into your home.

Window film will begin to be applied from **Monday 14 August** and we expect it to be in place for 4-5 weeks while we apply the new render. This is subject to the weather, as we cannot apply the render materials in the rain.

How and when will the film be applied?

We only need to apply the film to 1 and 7 Thornton Street, and this does not include the Ground Floor as it is not in a render area. We'll apply it during working hours (Monday-Friday, 8am-5pm) You can choose to open windows during the period of application of render materials – however, we do ask that you only open them on the restrictors. These limit the amount your window can open and will allow you to benefit from airflow and will assist in any render materials potentially reaching the inside of your property during the application process.

Please do be aware that operatives will be at your windows – you may wish to draw your curtains/blinds or move to another room for privacy reasons.

Next steps and project completion

This is a really positive step as once the render is applied to the building, the remediation will be complete and shortly afterward we'll be able to begin removing the scaffolding. This will happen from the top of the building down and we'll of course make sure the film is removed as well. There may still be small sections of scaffolding that need to remain in place near 1 Thornton Street to provide support to the scaffold erected to 11 Robsart Street.

Thank you all for your patience while we begin the final stages of the project; we're still looking like finishing in December if all goes well with the render.

Further support

You can check our previous updates here: www.networkhomes.org.uk/robsart2buildingsafety/. Or you can 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 last phase of the remediation will be beginning soon – applying the insulated render paste to the external wall.

From Mon 14 Aug, Higgins will be applying a clear, protective film to the outside of windows at 1 and 7 Thornton Street (except Ground Floor) to ensure no paste gets on your windows.

It'll be on your windows for 4-5 weeks, depending on the weather.

You can choose to open windows, but put them on restrictors to ensure no paste gets into your home.

Once the render is applied, we can begin to remove the scaffolding starting from the top floor. We're still on track to finish the project on time.

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.