## Safety in your building

11 August 2023

Rainbow House, Water Lane, Watford, WD17

Dear residents,

## Cladding remedial complete, final scaffold to be removed

I'm pleased to say that the remediation of the external wall system has been completed. We could not have done this work without your engagement and cooperation, so I'd like to extend my thanks to all of you.

There are still a few things that need to be finished before the project is completely closed:

• Final scaffold removal

There is a small scaffold section on the railway line side that needs to be removed. This will be taking place during daytime hours as the line will be closed by Network Rail to carry out some scheduled maintenance.

## This section of scaffold will be removed on Monday 21 and Tuesday 22 August.

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A summary of this letter

The final scaffold will be removed during the day on Mon 21 and Tues 22 August.

We're expecting to receive the EWS1 form soon.

We'll be replacing flat front doors free of charge and expect this to happen in September.

• EWS1 form to be issued soon

Once we receive the EWS1 form from our fire engineer, we will carry out our due diligence checks and then pass this on to you. We anticipate this process will be completed within six to eight weeks.

• Fire doors

We'll be in touch again soon with details about the replacement of new flat front doors that meet the latest fire safety regulations. The doors are currently being manufactured and we aim to begin site set up on Monday 4 September, provided the burst water main in front of the garage entrance has been resolved.

Landscaping

The shrubs at the front of Rainbow have been replanted. Please bear with us as it might take some time for the plants to re-establish their growth.

• Fire strategy

Your building's fire strategy is still **simultaneous evacuation**, which means you must evacuate if you hear the fire alarm, even if you think it's a false alarm. Once the fire doors have been installed, the strategy will change – we'll share further information at the time.

Again, I would like to extend my thanks to all of you for your patience while we carried out this complex safety work. I wish you all the best. If you have any questions, you can reach us in the normal way on <u>customerservice@networkhomes.org.uk</u>.

Kind regards

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