

Safety in your building

21 December 2023

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

Dear residents,

Remediation work completed

I'm pleased to say the remediation work to the external wall system of buildings at Matthews Close has been completed.

EWS1 form

Our fire engineer is now drafting an EWS1 form (EWS – external wall system) which certifies the fire risk level of a building. This can sometimes be a requirement for lenders to lend on a building. The fire engineer is also drafting an FRAEW (Fire Risk Assessment – External Wall) which is an assessment that will be completed on a regular basis going forward. We expect to receive both of these in January and will send them over once we have received them and carried out our own due diligence.

Remaining items in January

There are some minor areas where scaffolding is still in place at lower levels, while the majority has been removed. The contractor will complete the removal of the scaffold in January.

The contractor will also be returning to carry out some light repairs to areas of panels and brickwork that were damaged during the work. This will be at their cost. These repairs should not affect the issuing of the above EWS1 form.

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A summary of this letter

The external wall remediation is now complete – some small repairs will be completed in January when all the scaffold comes down.

We expect to receive an EWS1 form in January.

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 the fire brigade. There is no communal alarm in the building.

Further support

Previous letters can be seen here: https://www.networkhomes.org.uk/matthewsbuildingsafety/. You can get in touch with us on customerservice@networkhomes.org.uk if you have any questions.

Kind regards

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