

**23<sup>rd</sup> June 2023**

## Network Rail Application Approval

Since our previous progress update, Starfish Construction are pleased to confirm that all necessary permissions have been received from Network Rail. The application included Blocks 1 to 5 and therefore no further applications are required.

We would like to thank you all for your cooperation and patience during the delay period.

## Cladding Remediation Work Update – Block 1

Please see below update from Adam Denton-Beaumont – Director Building Facades

Unfortunately, on Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> June 2023 we were notified by Adastras who are providing the mast climbers at St Georges Island, that the company have gone into immediate receivership which has caused the business to cease trading.

This significant event with Adastras will cause delay and disruption to the original planned installation and operational dates of the external access equipment.

Adastras demise within the industry as a leading access company established for over 30 years has come as a shock to us all. We are working to our best endeavours to appoint a replacement company that can provide us with the same access strategy and equipment. Currently we are awaiting further instruction from the appointed administrator in regard to the possession of the currently installed plant of Adastras.

Please let me assure you that we are working to our best endeavours to mitigate the delays caused by this significant event. Due to the complexity of the situation with the numerous parties involved, further communications will be issued to you once clarification is sought.

This event will not affect the dates and cladding remediation works to Block 2,3,4 and 5.

Work will continue to Block 1 with the installation of scaffolding and Haki staircases as shown in the pictures below.

Residents of Block 1 will be notified of the progress with the access equipment and dates for the cladding remediation works in a separate notice.



Block 1 – Installation of a Protected Walkway  
Scaffolding along the front entrance of Block 1 is for the protection of the public and will not be built any higher than the level shown in this photo. All access to the front entrance and emergency exit will be maintained throughout the work.

Block 1 – Installation of a Haki Staircase  
Haki staircases are required for the emergency exit of Operatives working on the balcony areas.



## Commencement of Enabling Works – Block 2

Enabling work has commenced to Block 2, to prepare for the installation of access equipment which will commence in August 2023. Areas have been fenced off and Operatives have been excavating the soft landscape areas and filling this with hardcore in preparation for the access equipment. The removal of shrubbery and trees to the North Elevation will also take place in the coming weeks.

All areas which are affected during this enabling work, will be reinstated to its original condition on completion of the cladding remediation works.

Investigative surveys have also commenced at Block 2, and Operatives will be working on the communal balconies and terracotta tile system over the next 2 weeks, along with various other balcony locations. If a survey of your balcony area is required, we will contact you directly to discuss.

We apologise for the disruption and inconvenience this work may cause.

Residents of Block 2 will be notified of the dates for the next stages of work in a separate notice.



Block 2 – Excavation of soft landscape areas



**Should you have any questions or concerns about the cladding remediation work, please don't hesitate to contact the Resident Liaison Officer, Melissa Buckley on the below details.**

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