

25 April 2024

Dear Resident,

Last September, we informed you of delays to the Barnsbury Transformation due to the Government's changes in building safety. Thank you for your patience during this construction pause.

Since our last update in December, we have been busy working through the required planning changes together with Islington Council, monitoring closely the emerging building safety guidance.

By the end of May 2024, we will be ready to share new plans for phase 1a, showing how they meet the Government's new fire safety requirements and how moving into your new homes will be affected.

We will be looking to gather feedback from residents on these plans ahead of submitting a revised application for phase 1a. We hope to obtain planning approval by October, enabling a start on site in Spring next year. We will also need to submit a revised planning application for the remainder of the site and we will be working on this while phase 1a is underway. We will confirm plans to consult you on these proposals in due course.

We understand the delay resulting from the new fire safety requirements is hugely frustrating, and we are looking at ways to accelerate construction of your new homes, so that you can move in at the earliest opportunity. As always, ensuring the safety of all Barnsbury residents in your new homes remains our top priority.

We will be holding a drop-in session on **2 May 2024 at The Barnsbury Community Centre, 3pm to 7pm** to share further details of the new programme and what this means for your homes. We hope to see you there.

For residents of Old Barnsbury, we are progressing with plans for kitchen and bathroom refurbishment works. These will commence at Fisher House. Other estate upgrades are planned for this year including drainage repairs and other improvements. These will be carried out in phases and will include a new playspace next to Fisher house. More details will follow as soon as possible.

For any questions, please contact us at 020 8709 9172 or best@newlon.org.uk.

Yours sincerely,

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