

Hamilton House

Monthly Newsletter | External Wall Systems January 2021

I hope this letter finds you and yours safe and well. Instead of the typical email newsletter, I wanted to reach out to you personally to share some news regarding the external wall project at Hamilton House.

We have received confirmation from the Build Safety Fund (BSF) on the status of our application in relation to the External Wall Systems at Hamilton House. Thankfully, we can confirm that the render system has been deemed eligible for funding from the BSF.

However, I am sorry to say that, despite our best efforts, the Government have unfortunately rejected other wall systems that make up Hamilton Houses external walls. This is very disappointing, but we haven't given up hope, and neither should you.

We have always tried to prioritise and maintain both transparency and a connection with leaseholders. Our entire team join leaseholders in your extreme disappointment of this partial acceptance. Our project has always been driven with the safety of residents in mind; however, the financial impact of these decisions has been taken out of both the freeholder's and the leaseholders' hands and are fundamentally being driven by the government.

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Our project team have always believed and continue to believe that Hamilton House should be granted full funding. As such, we strongly object to the government's decision and remain committed to proving that the building is eligible for full funding from the BSF. We have already submitted an appeal on the building and are currently awaiting the response from the BSF team.

Over the next few weeks, we will have to make many tough decisions. We are working closely with the freeholder and discussing every possible next step including alternative plans for remediation, seeking more tenders on the building and what we can do now to support leaseholders at this time.

In order to progress this application further, it is key that leaseholders complete and return their state aid declaration or confirm to us that they are not required to complete this information.

More information on the state aid guidance can be found at:

Private sector ACM cladding fund: state aid guidance and declaration - GOV.UK (www.qov.uk)

What can I expect next?

You will receive a letter in due course regarding state aid declaration.

I know this letter is not easy reading for anyone, but I hope that our

transparency and commitment to keeping our communication open shows you how dedicated we are to working with leaseholders on our next steps and throughout this entire process.

You'll hear from us again with the February Newsletter the week of 22 February 2021 with our next update and the response to our appeal.

As always, if we have anything to share before then, we will do so via bulletin. In the meantime, if you have any queries or concerns, please reach out to <u>HamiltonHouse@liv-group.co.uk.</u>

Thank you,

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