

# **Cartier House**

### Monthly Newsletter | External Wall Systems January 2021

We hope this newsletter finds you and yours safe and well in the first part of the New Yearl Firstly, please accept my apologies in the tardiness of this newsletter. We will be back on track in Februaryl

#### Monthly Update: January 2021

As you know, early last month we had to share the news that the Government have unfortunately only accepted part of our application to the Building Safety Fund. However, we haven't given up hope, and neither should you. We are actively appealing the decision with the support of the appointed expert fire engineer.

We can confirm that the copper cladding system and the aluminium honeycomb cladding system are eligible for funding from the BSF.

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 to support leaseholders at this time.

#### What Next

Our project team have always believed and continue to believe that Cartier 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 fully eligible for funding from the BSF. It is for this reason that we are appealing the current decision.

We have submitted our appeal application, and our fire engineers have provided an eligibility note on each material. The revised report will be sent along with our appeal.

Meanwhile, Stage 1 of the BSF has been submitted as we were informed the appeal decision will not affect the initial information we submit.

## $Q\&A\ Session$

Last month, we hosted a live Q&A session with our team and our local MP, Hilary Benn. For those who were not able to attend, we wanted to share the answers to some of the questions we heard from leaseholders that day:

#### In a worst-case scenario, how much could we be charged?

Unfortunately, with the government expected to make an announcement in the coming weeks and the building still being under an appeal for funding, it is impossible to say at this time. As soon as we have concrete answers, we will share them with you.

### Are LIV looking into the Waking Watch Relief Fund?

Yes, we are already looking into this fund and have registered interest. Over the next week we will be looking to move this forward and will keep you updated every step of the way.

#### How long does the appeal process take?

We're expecting an answer in the next 2 weeks.

## What happens if the appeal is rejected?

The freeholder has asked LIV to prepare scenario planning, establishing all the possible next steps and looking at the potential impact for all parties. Once we know the true position of the building, we will be in a position to plan.

#### When will you update me next?

You'll hear from us again in our February Newsletter, which we will send in the week commencing 22 February 2021. However, if we receive the appeal decision before this date, we will let you know immediately.

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

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