



The Gateway

Monthly Newsletter | External Wall Systems
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Hello,

I hope this finds you well in the new year!

Please see below the latest update for your development in relation to the Building Safety Fund.

Building Safety Fund

Unfortunately, there has not been much change in relation to the Building Safety Fund since December, as we are still awaiting feedback from the BSF on our submitted application.

We have prepared and submitted a full application to the Building Safety Fund for the Render on the North, South and East blocks; however, we will not enter this contract until the Building Safety Fund responds to our request for confirmation that completing these works will not prevent us from returning and appealing the Zinc decision on the blocks.

Once we have this in writing, we will share with you a full update on the project, including timescales and funding outcome as we progress. As we mentioned previously, this will be a significant chunk of the work completed and moves The Gateway closer to the goal of a satisfactory EWS1 form.

In other news, it was recently announced that the Grant Funding Agreement negotiations had concluded and that the government was due to complete a revised version of the Grant Fund Agreement.

Other Options

We have recently appointed the Fire Engineer to re-review all blocks and system in-line with PAS 9980:2022.

PAS 9980:2022 is a new code of practice for the fire risk appraisal of external wall construction and cladding of existing multistorey and multi-occupied residential buildings. The code has been developed by a steering group of experts in the fields of construction, fire, housing and safety. It is for use by competent fire engineers and other competent buildings professional when undertaking a fire risk appraisal of external walls (FRAEW).

The withdrawn CAN had caused a disproportionate reaction to the level of risk in medium and lower-rise buildings. It drove a cautious approach to building safety in buildings that are safe, which went beyond what the Government considered necessary.

You can download PAS 9980:2022 from the BSI website and access further information on the new code of practice [here](#).

I wish to once again say that the Freeholder is committed to standing by Leaseholders and is not moving forward with any works until the full outcome of any investigations or changes in government policy is fully understood.

Contact Changes

As 2022 starts, we wish to update you on key contact details for any query at your development:

Gateway Building Manager – Resident Queries – gatewaybuilding.manager@liv-group.co.uk
Accounts Enquiries – Account Queries - AccountsEnquiries@liv-group.co.uk
Building Safety – Cladding / Building Safety – BuildingSafety@liv-group.co.uk

Please contact these teams directly, instead of individual members of the LIV team who may not be available or may change as we restructure over the next few months the management team at your development.

Thank you for taking the time to review our latest newsletters. As always, you can find copies of this and all previous newsletters [here](#).

I hope this fully updates you on the current situation. As always, our team are on-hand to answer any questions at BuildingSafety@liv-group.co.uk

Thanks,

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