

## York Way Estate: Construction Meeting

<b>Date / Time</b>	20 September 2023 / 18:00 - 1900
<b>Attendees</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• RSG Member</li> <li>• RSG Member</li> <li>• RSG Member</li> <li>• RSG Member</li> <li>• RSG Member</li> <li>• Sophie Courtright (SC), City of London Corporation</li> <li>• Josephine Omoya (JO), City of London Corporation</li> <li>• Tony Read (TR), Higgins Plc</li> <li>• Ruzi Bibi (RB), Higgins Plc</li> <li>• Aaron Clarke (AC), Stace</li> <li>• Christopher Sharp (CS), CCUK</li> </ul>
<b>AGENDA ITEMS</b>	
<b>Project update</b>	<p>This meeting was held as an online webinar. Note that physical meetings are expecting to recommence in 2024.</p> <p>The format consisted of a construction update presentation from the Higgins' Project Manager, Tony Read, followed by a Q&amp;A with residents.</p> <p><b><u>Piling</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• TR confirmed piling is set to commence on Blocks A &amp; B on 25 September 2023, with works lasting three weeks. Piling on Block C is set to commence on 16 October 2023 and will be undertaken for two weeks. Piling at Block D will start on 2 November 2023 and will occur for eight weeks – this is a tight space with limited access in and out, hence why piling at this site is expected to last longer.</li> </ul> <p><b><u>Hoarding</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• TR confirmed that all hoarding and lighting has now been installed, with new artwork currently being painted.</li> </ul> <p><b><u>Flooding Mitigation</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Attenuation tanks have been installed at Blocks A and B – these are buried in the ground to take excessive rainfall to stop flooding. The water from tanks will be fed into the main drainage system at a slower rate to reduce risks of flooding.</li> </ul>

### **Haul Road**

- Between Blocks A & B, a Haul Road has been installed for construction traffic – another will be created for Block C soon, ensuring materials can be taken to and from site
- The tarmac section of the Haul Road via North Road will become a permanent entrance once work is complete.

### **Works Up To Christmas**

- In addition to piling, work and completion of the Haul Road leading to Block C is expected to take place
- Once piling is completed, the frames for the new buildings will be installed, starting with Blocks A and B.

### **Community Respite Centre**

- Now open for community use from Monday – Friday, between 10am and 4.30pm
- Coffee Mornings – every Wednesday, 9.30am until 11.30am – an opportunity to speak with members of the project team, with tea, coffee and free Wi-Fi available
- Resident Liaison Officer, Ruzi Bibi, is located within the Respite Centre – her office is open between 9am and 5pm.

### **Summer Pizza Party**

- A Summer Pizza Party was held by the City of London Corporation and Higgins in the summer.
- Competitions for arts and crafts were held, with prizes given
- A Christmas event is planned for families – further information will be provided in the coming weeks.

### **Public Art**

- 28 residents attended creative workshops in the summer, to design a mural for the hoarding
- The final design is currently being painted by the Project Art Coordinator, Rose Hill, and is expected to be completed in September 2023.

### **Naming Consultation**

- In October 2023, a community consultation will be held, asking residents of the Estate to vote for their favourite names for the new Blocks
- The inspiration for the names is drawn from the site's historic name, 'Sheep Lairs,' which formed part of the Metropolitan Cattle Market. Therefore, we are proposing names of sheep breeds for the new buildings
- Residents will be able to vote via phone, online or through the Estate Office.

<p><b>Q&amp;A</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• One attendee stated that he had experienced cracks to his property due to vibrations from the construction – he asked if he could expect further damage from future works, such as piling. TR said there is a possibility that the issues experienced have been caused by vibration. Vibrations are monitored and the levels are restricted. The site team is aware of potential issues and will continue to monitor potential damage. Piling not expected to cause considerable vibration, as it involves a slow-moving drill. SC asked the resident to keep a photographic record of cracks in his property.</li> <li>• Another resident asked when new residents could expect to move into the homes. TR stated completion is set to occur in Summer 2025. The completion date has been delayed due to slow progress involving ground works.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Actions</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Project completion date to be updated after Christmas.</li> </ul>

**Next RSG meeting scheduled in 2024.**