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Ref: Martlett Court T154

Dear Resident,

Martlett Court Major Works (project T154) – Major Works Update

I am writing to update you on the results of the ‘Your Views’ survey that was sent out to all residents at the end of October 2023. Thank you to everyone who completed the survey.

Background

After the Planning Committee meeting on 22 August 2023 concerns were raised that we had not considered uPVC windows as an alternative, therefore the planning team agreed to consider a planning application for uPVC windows.

United Living has submitted this application and it will be ready to view and comment on in the coming weeks. The planning team will write to you informing you of the application and inviting them to comment. You can also search the Planning Portal on the Westminster website. I can't include the link as the address is too long.

In the meantime, and to understand the views of the residents, we sent out a ‘Your Views’ survey asking a couple of questions and gathering opinions on the windows and site location. I am pleased to be able to share the results with you.

Your Views – windows

There are 125 flats at Martlett Court, of which two are currently void (no one in residence), and we received 44 responses, this is 35.77% of the estate.



We asked you to tell us your preferred option of timber or uPVC for the windows.

The results are:

- Timber – 18 votes.
- uPVC – 26 votes.

Next steps

These results have been shared with your Ward Councillors. They will also be shared with the Planning Team.

It is important to remember that we don't have planning permission for the uPVC windows and until the planning application is reviewed and heard by the Planning Committee, we are unable to comment further.

Your Views – site location

We also asked for your preference on the site location. Our initial site location is within half of the garden area at Martlett Court. However, after a meeting with the Chair of the Garden Committee and Ward Councillors, we were asked to consider an alternative. The suggested alternative is outside the estate in the Martlett Court pedestrian walkway.

The views expressed by most of the residents that completed the survey, is to locate the site outside the estate in the pedestrian walkway of Martlett Court.

Next steps

We will now consult with London Fire Brigade and Westminster City Council Highways Team on the suggested alternative. A meeting with the Chair of the Garden Committee and Ward Councillors will be arranged to talk about this in more detail. When we have more information regarding the site location, we will update you, as we know how important it is to residents.

Major Works Working Group

Thank you to those residents that have already expressed interest in joining the working group.

The role of the working group is, to comment on communications, give a resident perspective and advise on resident opinion, scrutinise performance, hold us to account and help to resolve issues.



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If you would like to join the working group, please email me. Once we have a group in place, a date for our first meeting will be arranged, and we'll provide an update to all residents after the meeting.

We will continue to update you when we have more to share, and please contact me if you have any questions.

My mobile number is 07816 280 745 or email ljenkins1@westminster.gov.uk if you would like to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'LJ' with a flourish.

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