

All Residents Fitzhugh Estate London, SW18

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Dear Resident

Re: Housing for All: Ongoing Feasibility Study on the Fitzhugh Estate, London SW18, Paused

Further to our previous letter of 11th September 2020, we have met with the Fitzhugh Estate Residents' Association to provide them with an update on the progress of this project and wanted to share with you an update on the current status of the project.

We have been liaising with colleagues who are carefully considering potential renewal of the heating system for the estate. The communal heating system on the estate requires updating due to its age and inefficiency. What this might look like and the method by which this will be undertaken are currently being investigated and will require careful coordination with our own study due to the variety of options being investigated and the impact they might have on current and future potential residences.

As a result of the heating upgrade team undertaking further investigatory works, we need to pause our planned public consultation until we know the outcome of their work. Regrettably it is difficult to say when we may in a position to resume the design and consultation process – estimated timeframes at this stage are as broad as six to twenty-four months. Subject to the outcome of the heating renewal study, we would revisit our study and investigate how that might affect our emerging proposals for providing new homes.

In the interim, our focus will shift to other projects in the programme until such time that our works can be progressed in tandem with the heating infrastructure upgrade works. Meanwhile, we will continue to be in contact with the Residents' Association when we have more news and will come back to you with a further update and a firmer timetable.

As always, if you have any questions or comments at this stage, then please do not hesitate to get in touch with the project team via e-mail at developmentteam@richmondandwandsworth.gov.uk or alternatively you can write to me at the above address.

Yours sincerely,

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