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## Newsletter 03

Date: October 2024

# **Craigmillar Court and Peffermill Court Retrofit**



# Your Home Improvements are Moving Forwards

Dear Residents of Craigmillar Court and Peffermill Court.

We are pleased to provide you with an important update regarding the upcoming retrofit works on your homes, and share future engagement events:

#### What We've Done So Far

We are pleased to announce that we have successfully completed the redesign phase of your building improvements. This careful planning period has been essential to ensure that every change we make will effectively address the challenges the blocks face while maximizing the benefits to your daily life.

The improvements will begin with extensive fabric upgrades to the building's exterior through an external insulation system. These changes will significantly improve your home's ability to retain heat, leading to warmer living spaces and potentially lower heating costs throughout the year.

To improve air quality, each flat will have a mechanical ventilation and heat recovery system. These systems will ensure a constant flow of fresh air through your homes, preventing the formation of mould and creating a healthier living environment for all residents.



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In addition, an upgraded comprehensive fire protection system ensures each flat will have its own sprinkler system, providing an additional layer of security and peace of mind for you and your family.

At ground level, we are creating enhanced communal spaces. Increasing the size of entrance lobbies, bringing in more natural light and creating a canopy to provide shelter from the rain. The new shared spaces at ground level will provide opportunities for interaction with your neighbours and activities with the wider community, making better use of previously underutilized space in your building.

#### A Contractor is joining the Design Team

We are also delighted to inform you that the council has successfully appointed an experienced Contractor to join the project design team. The contractor will help to finalise the designs to ensure they are buildable and help organise the works.

The chosen Contractor will bring their expertise in tower block retrofitting, having completed similar successful projects across the country. Their proven track record in minimizing disruption to residents was a key factor in their selection. As soon as this has progressed, we would look to set up a separate event for residents to meet the Contractor to ask any questions.

# **What Happens Next?**

#### **Engagement Event: Share your Thoughts**

3 - 6:30pm, 29th October 2024

The design team will be in the entrance lobby of both Craigmillar Court and Peffermill Court on the **29th October** to discuss the revised design and any questions you may have. Please come join us and share your thoughts.

#### **Future Events:**

We understand that you may have questions about these upcoming changes and their impact on your daily life. In the coming weeks, we will provide more detailed information about the project timeline, specific work phases, and what you can expect during the renovation process.

We will be back in the community to share feedback you have given us, provide an opportunity to meet the contractors appointed to complete the works and give an update on timescales.

Your comfort remains our highest priority as we move forward with these essential improvements to your homes.

This Engagement Activity is being carried out by **AtkinsRealis and Collective Architecture**.

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