



Ebury Bridge Estate Construction Works

April 2020

During these uncertain times, the health and welfare of residents is our primary concern. If you need help because of coronavirus, or you know of anyone who does, please email us at westminsterconnects@westminster.gov.uk or call us on **020 7641 1222**.

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Coronavirus update on construction

The Coronavirus (COVID-19) outbreak has meant the Council has had to implement a series of measures designed to help reduce the spread of the disease and protect our communities.

Following current Government advice, the Council has taken steps to help ensure the wellbeing of its residents, staff and the wider community, while also keeping essential services running. You can read further information about the impact on our services and how to protect yourself against the coronavirus by visiting westminster.gov.uk/coronavirus

As part of these measures, the Council is following advice from the Government and Public Health England so that construction work can continue safely. Whilst the Government's advice is that people must remain at home and work from their homes wherever possible, many construction projects can continue safely with staff following social distancing guidance.

There are currently a number of contractors working on the Ebury Bridge estate. We will be working closely with them to ensure that they have effective, workable mitigations in place to prevent the spread of the virus.

Our top priority remains the health and safety of residents, our contractors and the community within the Ebury Bridge area. We will continue to monitor the situation as it develops, and we will keep you regularly updated. The measures in place are subject to review in light of changing circumstances and advice from the Government.

We wish our residents and the community well at this incredibly difficult time. To contact the regeneration team, please use our contact details found on the back of this leaflet.

Ensuring safe construction practices

Current guidance means contractors must demonstrate they are consistently implementing a set of measures to ensure they are protecting their workforce and minimising the spread of infection. Our contractors have provided a commitment that they will work in line with these measures, and safely manage their sites. A summary of the measures is set out below, which you can read in full at constructionleadershipcouncil.co.uk:



Self-isolation if a worker falls ill



Avoid use of public transport



No site access for non-essential visitors



Avoid close working by keeping a distance of 2 metres



Additional site cleaning and disinfection

The Council will ensure our contractors will abide by these measures for the safety and protection of residents and construction workers. We will continuously review their site safety plans in order to comply with government guidance to reduce the spread of Covid-19 and keep the public safe.

Current works

In preparation for the renewal of the Ebury Bridge Estate, there are currently several contractors carrying out work on the estate.

At the beginning of the year, **HA Marks**, began construction of Ebury Edge, a temporary four year project with a community café, hall, retail and workspaces on the site previously of Edgson House. Work is currently progressing, with the laying of foundations and floor steels before the work on the timber framed buildings begins to take shape.

The completion of Ebury Edge is expected to be in August 2020. You can visit eburyedge.com for more information on the project.

In February, **Project Dewatering**, began work on ground investigations across the estate. This work continues to see if a greener energy system – a ground source heat pump- could provide the new Ebury Bridge

homes with heat, hot water and cooling. We wrote to residents and neighbours earlier this year with a factsheet detailing the process of the works. You can view this factsheet online at eburybridge.org. This work is due to be completed around the end of June 2020.

Our contractor, **Concept**, has carried out a number of deep boreholes and shallow excavations across the entirety of the estate. This work will inform the substructure of the future estate development. This work is also expected to be completed in early June 2020.

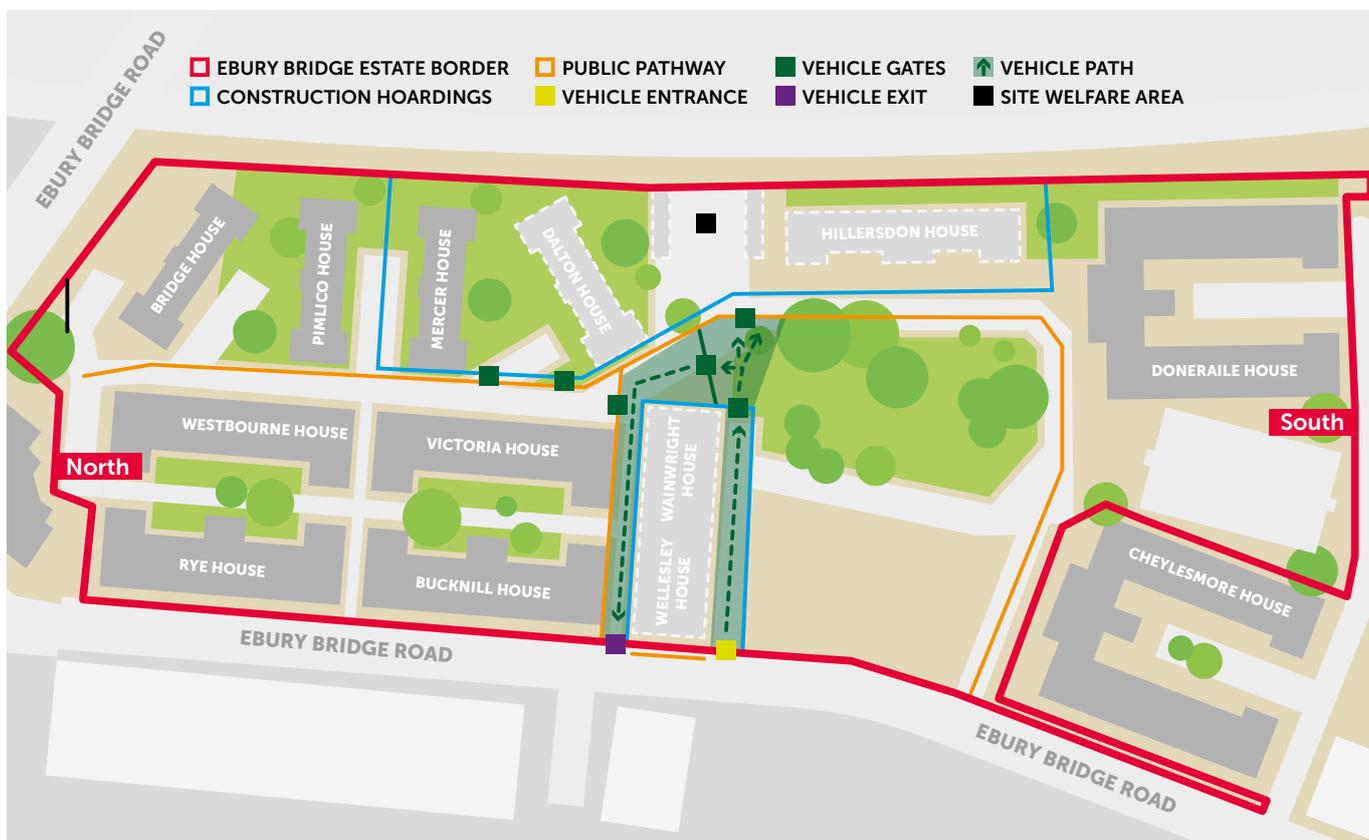
Most recently, in early March, our principle contractor **John F Hunt** setup on the estate in preparation for the removal of empty buildings. This includes the removal of Hillersdon, Wellesley, Wainwright, Dalton and Mercer houses preparing for new homes to be built for phase 1 of the renewal. The shed area has now been taken down to create an onsite welfare area and hoarding is in the process of being completed to make the site safe and secure. In addition to the site setup a temporary portacabin will be set up for community uses as part of JF Hunt's social value commitments to Ebury.

Preparing for phase 1 removal

Before work begins on the removal of the empty blocks, contractor JF Hunt are installing hoarding around phase 1 of the renewal. When all the hoarding is in place, scaffolding will then be erected around the perimeter of the empty buildings with work starting on Hillersdon and Wainwright Houses first.

Hillersdon, Mercer and Dalton Houses. From Ebury Bridge Road hoarding will be installed either side of Wellesley & Wainwright Houses. A pedestrian walkway will be constructed to maintain use of footpaths shown below.

The below plan shows where the hoarding will be on the estate. Hoarding is currently installed around



Safety measures

During the removal work, measures will be undertaken to ensure the safety of all Ebury Estate residents, visitors and the public:

- Dust, noise and vibration monitors will be installed on the estate to make sure work is carried out at suitable levels
- All hoardings adjacent to pedestrian walkways will be well illuminated
- External scaffolding will be wrapped to reduce the risk of dust or debris escaping the works inside
- Scaffolding intruder alarms will be installed
- CCTV cameras will be installed for extra security
- Out of hours security on site seven days a week
- Entrances/exits will be controlled by traffic marshals at all times to guide deliveries and ensure the safety of residents and the public during the movement of vehicles
- A scaffold pedestrian walkway will be constructed next to Wellesley House (on Ebury Bridge Road), to maintain the use of the footpath
- Emergency vehicle access will be maintained at all times

Reducing disruption

We are working hard to reduce the impact of construction work on you.

Hours: All of our contractors hours of work are limited to WCC guidelines (weekdays 8am-6pm). If work is required outside these hours there will be prior agreement and notification to residents.

We have recently reduced our working hours for the test wells completed by Project Dewatering taking place across the estate. The working hours for this work will now be 8:30am-4:00pm, with a mandatory one hour break at lunchtime. We have also repositioned acoustic barriers and reduced the drilling speed to reduce noise levels of these works on residents and neighbours.

Traffic Disruption: Site access plans and procedures are in place for all our contractors on the estate. This includes procedures for the entrance and exit for construction vehicles, whilst ensuring emergency vehicles and refuse services can continue to access the estate. We do not expect there to be traffic disruption on or near the estate, however we will continue to monitor and adjust work accordingly.

Estate access: Whilst we are aware of the increased presence of construction work on the estate, access into the estate and your home should not be significantly affected.

Tree removal works

In preparation for the removal of phase 1 buildings, work will commence to remove five trees located at the back of Wainwright House and next to Dalton House. These trees have previously been identified and granted permission for removal as part of renewal process. The planning application for the new Ebury Bridge Estate will secure the planting of

260 new trees, of which improving green spaces and enhancing biodiversity are at the heart of the project's sustainability goals.

The work to remove the trees is expected to take place towards the end of April, and the site will be safely secured whilst work is carried out.

Getting in touch

Due to the 'stay at home' Covid-19 advice the Ebury Bridge Regeneration Base at 15-19 Ebury Bridge Road is currently closed, except for emergencies. However, the Ebury Bridge Team can still be contacted by the following ways:

Call Freephone **0800 011 3467**
(Monday-Friday 10am to 4pm)

Email eburybridge@westminster.gov.uk

Visit eburybridge.co.uk

The Ebury Bridge Team will continue to update you through our newsletters and leaflets during construction work.