

Dear resident

Making the Golf Links estate a better place to live

Having recently completed the redevelopment of Dormers Rise and Peterhead Court on the Golf Links estate, we are now working on the redevelopment of Alnmouth and Portrush.

As part of this work, an outline planning application was approved by the council's planning committee on 18 March to replace the existing 84 flats in those blocks with a new scheme of up to 147 flats. The final mix of tenures will be determined at the detailed design stage.

This represents a significant opportunity to continue the ongoing improvement of the estate by replacing these existing blocks with a high quality, modern and sustainable development that better connects to the wider estate while continuing to provide 100% affordable housing.

The council's cabinet has also authorised officers to look at options for further redevelopment of the estate. This will involve consulting residents on the wider estate to consider how redevelopment could work and how tenants and leaseholders would be affected.

A rebuilt estate would have the advantages of producing homes built to modern standards, which better meet the needs of our tenants and are much more energy efficient and easier to maintain.

Each phase of redevelopment will be informed by a housing needs survey of the residents living in that phase of work, which will ensure that we produce the homes that fit the needs of our residents.

To help move this project forward, we will set up a residents steering group which will help shape the future development of the estate. Any estate resident is welcome to join the group. I will write to you again in due course explaining how you can get involved. The group will meet once the current coronavirus emergency has passed and it is safe for people to gather.

In the meantime, council officers will also consider appropriate solutions to the current maintenance issues affecting the estate, especially those related to drainage, condensation and mould growth. These issues will need to be assessed and addressed while the feasibility study looks at options for wider estate redevelopment.

You can find out more about the overall regeneration programme for Golf Links at www.ealing.gov.uk/golflinks.

If you have any questions, please call me on 020 8825 5935 or email me at abrahams@ealing.gov.uk.

Yours sincerely