

The Project

Higgins Partnerships has formed a development partnership with Hillingdon Council to jointly deliver the regeneration of Hayes Town Centre Estate and Avondale Drive Estate.



The new homes we are building

Social Rent

- 7 one bedroom homes
- 16 two bedroom homes
- 5 three bedroom homes
- 2 four bedroom homes

We will start to formally allocate new homes early Summer. Allocations will be carried out in accordance with the council Social Housing Allocation Policy and Local Lettings Plan. The new homes are planned to be complete by late Summer 2025.

Car parking for residents

As the redevelopment progresses, we have demolished the car parking cages and have constructed a temporary car park located between Glenister House and Fitzgerald House.

Please refer to the image below. This has provided enough parking for existing residents. We have also provided residents with permits.

Longer term we will create parking spaces that will be positioned on the new estate roads and within podium car parks, depending on where your new home is located on the new development. We will provide further information as the development unfolds.



Hi!

Avondale Drive

April 2024

Upcoming Schedule of Works (March 2024 - May 2024)

- 1 Foundations being formed
- 2 Excavations for drainage
- 3 Installation of concrete to foundations
- 4 Installation of drainage

Safety Awareness - Please do not enter the site while works are ongoing as there may be hidden dangers.



Recently Completed Works (December 2023 - February 2024)

- 1 Construction of new parking area between Glenister House and Fitzgerald House
- 2 Construction of new vehicular cross over and new access road between Glenister House and Fitzgerald House
- 3 Diversion of Electricity cables
- 4 Commencement of drainage works.

We would like to thank you in advance for your patience and understanding.



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Community Engagement

Children's Playground Clean Up

To start off 2024, we decided it would be a positive impact for the local community and surrounding environment, to tidy the existing children's play area at Avondale Drive.

The clean-up operation was completed in January 2024, primarily by one member of staff, who worked hard over two days in order to achieve the end results.



National Apprenticeship Week February 2024

Our Resident Liaison Officer, Gemma attended the 'Skills for Life Careers Fair' at Harrow Richmond Uxbridge College's (HRUC) Uxbridge Campus for National Apprenticeship Week.

The event was a huge success with a lot of attendees actively engaging with Gemma showing an interest in future potential work placements. Contact details were taken in order to follow up with candidates when future opportunities arise.



Have a catch up & a cuppa with Higgins



Come along to our event, all local residents welcome!

TIME: 10am - 12pm

DATE: Every Tuesday

LOCATION: 1 Wellings House, Avondale Drive, EB3 3PN



www.hi-higgins.co.uk

You will find updates about the project on the Hi! Website, as well as community news and information about upcoming events and more.

You can also use the camera on your phone to scan the QR code here to visit the website:



Did you know?

Fire safety is a top priority for the council. In line with reformed Building Safety Act regulations to improve building and fire safety across residential tower blocks, the estate maintenance team carry out quarterly checks to all tower blocks above 7 floors. All doors are checked and if necessary repaired.

If you are interested in attending the next inspection, please contact a member of the Housing Team or look out for the service sticker on the doors clearly showing the last inspection.

Glenister House



Fitzgerald House



Wellings House



Age UK - Hillingdon

Age UK – Hillingdon offers a range of free and confidential advice. To make an appointment with one of their advisers or for any information, contact them on: 0208 756 3040 between 9am – 3pm.



Below are just some of the services that Age UK – Hillingdon provide:

Help at home

This service assists elderly with day-to-day tasks such as groceries, cleaning and laundry.

Phone: 0208 756 3053

Dementia Activities

This service offers a 6 week programme for individuals based on Cognitive Stimulation Therapy such as music therapy and arts and crafts. For more information about this service, please contact Kelly Mattoo on:

Phone: 07925 148 169

Email: kmattoo@ageukhbb.org.uk

Resident Engagement Panel (REP)

Dates for your diary

We are currently reviewing the community activity timetables for Avondale Drive and once they have been agreed with the Resident Engagement Panel (REP), we will provide a link on the next newsletter issue, which will allow you to view the timetables on the HII website.

How new homes will be allocated?

Early Summer we will be contacting all residents with the right to return to the estate and those of you living in the Phase 2 and Phase 3 areas to arrange an appointment to discuss your requirements and allocate the new homes being built. We will make sure that you are allocated a home that fits your housing need which is assessed in line with the council's Social Housing Allocation Policy and Local Lettings Policy.

Priority bidding - How the system works?

If you would prefer to move off the estate, you will be given priority banding on the council choice based letting systems six months before your move. You will be able to bid for properties that you are interested in across the borough.

For residents taking a new home on the estate we will take into consideration your preferences in terms of location, floor level and neighbours as part of our commitments.

Leaseholders

We are working closely with leaseholders and to date have purchased several resident and investor held leaseholders' homes. Resident leaseholders who choose to remain on the regenerated estate can buy one of the new homes being built in phase one.

The affordable buying options available to resident leaseholders are:

- Shared equity
- Shared ownership

A resident leaseholder may of course buy a new property on the regenerated estate outright.

Alternatively, you may be looking to sell your property to the council and buy an onward property either in or outside of the borough on the open market.

We would also like to hear from investor landlords that are ready to sell their property to the council. If this is the case and you can provide your property with vacant possession, please contact us.

Our contact details are, Dave Saunders on Tel: 07761757815 or the Regeneration Team located in the Hub Office at Hayes Town Centre on: 01895 556461.

Employment & Training

The development of Avondale Drive Estates will offer ongoing opportunities for our residents, by welcoming them to help with the redevelopment of the estate by offering training / work placements.

We encourage more women in construction currently. If you would like to be considered for a work experience placement on the development, get in touch with us on csr@higginspartnerships.co.uk

Reporting Repairs

We have improved our services when reporting a non-emergency repair.

The best way to report a repair is by using our online repair report:

<https://www.hillingdon.gov.uk/requestrepair>

or call us on: **01895 556 600**

You will receive:

- Confirmation of works order
- 24-hour text notifying you when
- On the day of the repair a 20-minute confirmation text stating operative is en route
- Opportunity to let us know if we got things right or wrong



Duty of care

We understand that working closely with the community, residents and stakeholders is important. We always aim to limit disruption to all, whilst the works are in progress.

All machinery used is fitted with noise suppression devices where possible.

Deliveries are scheduled to avoid peak periods wherever possible.

Please note: Staff and Operatives will start to arrive on site from 7:30am, but will not commence works until 8:00am and works will cease by 6:00pm.

Housing Matters

Car parking

We have terminated all the bays outside the garage area therefore residents can no longer park in these areas. We thank residents for their co-operation.

Reporting a crime

If you wish to report any crime happening on the estate, you can do so anonymously through the charity Crimestoppers. No one will know you have reported it.

Contact crimestoppers on www.crimestoppers-uk.org/give-information or **0800 555 111**

In an emergency call **999**

Police Officer for Avondale Estate:
SNTXH-Townfield@met.police.uk
Sean.Creaby@met.pnn.police.uk

For queries relating to the regeneration please call **01895 556461**

For general housing management queries please call **01895 250111**

For the Independent Tenant and Leaseholder Advisor (ITLA) please contact Public Voice on **0800 169 8677** or email: info@publicvoice.london

Project Key Contacts

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Emergency out of hours
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Site Working Hours
8:00am – 6:00pm weekdays
8:00am – 1.00pm on Saturdays

We will not be working on
Sundays or Bank Holidays

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