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COLPAI Construction Public Webinar – Thursday 7 April 2022, 7pm

The presentation from the online webinar can be viewed at the link – please click here

The recording of the webinar can be viewed at the link – please click here

Overview of the COLPAI Project Webinar and Summary of Questions Raised

Welcome and Introductions		
Overview	 Jessica Stewart from Comm Comm UK welcomed everyone to the online webinar and thanked the attendees for their time. Jessica outlined the format of the webinar and introduced the project team, including: Paul Murtagh, City of London Corporation Mark Lowman, City of London Corporation Michael Gwyther-Jones, City of London Corporation Sandra Brown, City of London Corporation John Macleod, ISG Christopher Sharp, Comm Comm UK 	

Construction Progress		
Overview	Residential Building	
	General Construction Progress Across Building Elevations	
	John Macleod from ISG presented project slides to update residents regarding construction progress.	
	Brickwork is up to level ten and the first sections of scaffolding have been struck. Cleaning work will commence after the brickwork has been completed.	
	Glass-reinforced concrete is currently being installed across the building and on levels six, eight, ten, and twelve. Once the building mast is taken down, the glass-reinforced concrete will be placed on the odd floor numbers, including levels three, five, seven, nine, and eleven.	
	Mast climbers are being used to install balustrade sections and lower levels of brickwork. John explained that the mast climbers will come down with the hoist and stair core very shortly.	
	Building Services (Mechanical, Electrical, Plumbing, and Heating)	
	John presented an image of the basement boiler plant room, explaining that the storage units, boiler units, and pipework have been installed and are currently being insulated.	
	An image presented shows one of the balconies, where the services come through the central risers and feed into the walkways at a high level, moving into the units above the main doorways. John explained that a cement board ceiling will be built, which hides these services.	



Another image was presented of a heat interface unit cupboard, from which water and energy are provided to every flat. John explained that there are ventilation units included, which run above the ceiling and feed the flats.
Brickwork, Glass-Reinforced Concrete, and Fablite
John presented two images of the walkways (left and central images in presentation), showing precast soffit sections and the fablite, and a brick slip system sitting above the balcony private windows.
The green covers seen in one of the images are used as protection for windows during building work. John explained that there are doors behind the green covers as well, which provide access to private balconies.
John explained how the concrete soffit contains temporary emergency lighting for construction work. Furthermore, the soffit acts as a drainage mechanism for the walkways above. The walkways will be screeded before a roof membrane is installed and the walkway is paved.
The third image presented is the core area, which shows a mixture of fablite at a high level, some hanging lintel areas, and solid brickwork in the main core area itself.
Kitchens and Bathrooms
John presented an image of a typical kitchen, where work is currently in progress. The kitchens are manufactured by Howdens.
John presented another image of a bathroom under construction, where a vanity unit is currently being installed. Bathroom floors are grey tiled, contrasting with white tiled walls.
Lift Lobby
John then presented images of one of the two internal lifts, which is currently being tested.
Another image showed the service cupboards within the lobby. All the main services come through to these cupboards, before being distributed into the balcony areas and into the flats.
Working Hours and COVID-19 Guidance
It was explained by John that work will not take place over Easter, and the site will be shut between 15 and 18 April.
ISG still works to Build UK COVID-19 Guidance, which advises anyone infected with the virus to stay off work until they provide a negative result. Hygiene and welfare areas are still being managed to high standards.
Key Milestones
 Temporary substations are to be removed in May 2022 Site huts are to be removed in June 2022 External works to commence in June 2022 Hoists and mast climbers are to be removed in June 2022



 Completion is due in September 2022 Once complete, the school entrance will be operational from Golden Lane.

Q&A	
	There were no questions from audience members

We are looking at holding the next online webinar regarding works on-site on **7 July 2022**. We will circulate more information as well as details to register in due course.

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