

The Granges

Newsletter

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Welcome to the Spring edition of The Granges newsletter which brings you up to date with everything going on at the regeneration.

If you would prefer this newsletter in print or email only, rather than both, no longer wish to receive the newsletter, or you have any other questions, please contact us at thegrangesteam@abri.co.uk



Demolition of Winwood Tower Block

Over the last few weeks you will have seen the first of the existing tower blocks, Winwood, coming down. To mark the occasion we invited former residents and the local ward councillors, Alison Carpenter and Helen Price, on to the site to watch the demolition of the building up close. With the focus on building the 413 brand new homes, this event was a chance for the residents to reflect and say goodbye to an old home – one that has been in the Dedworth skyline since the 1960's. Watch the demolition video here: www.the-granges.co.uk/plans/project-updates

The next tower block to come down will be Hale in early 2027.

Building activity on site

Once again we would like to thank you all, residents and neighbours, for your patience as we build The Granges and the noise and traffic that goes with it.

With our construction partners Hill we are working as fast as possible to get your homes built. We are now on the fifth floor on the first 61 homes (Block D) and making great progress on the second wave of 121 homes, where the foundations have been laid and we are on the first floor.

Three job opportunities on The Granges building site

The Hill Group are recruiting for a **general labourer role**. Contact residents@Hill.co.uk or pop by the site office if you are interested.

J. L. O'Rourke Carpentry and Joinery contractors are looking for a **Carpentry Labourer to join their team**. Alongside this they are looking for a motivated and hardworking individual to join the site team at Sawyers Close, Windsor, for a weeks work experience as a Trainee Surveyor. Contact them direct on Enquiries@jlorourke.co.uk or 01753 527808

New Windsor Community Association to provide extra contractor parking

We are aware it is very busy on the estate with vans and lorries. To help try to ease this, we have secured extra parking space for contractors off site and away from the residential streets. We are working with New Windsor Community Association; it has been agreed that contractors can use an area of its car park that will accommodate 40-50 vehicles from now onwards for the duration of the building works. In return for this, Abri & Hill will be providing social value in the form of free much needed repairs and maintenance.

We have already arranged for pothole repairs, temporary heaters and some roof repairs at the Community Association. Fresh lines will also be painted to ensure maximum capacity and considerate parking.

Have you logged in yet to see your new home?

All residents who have their new home details can log in and see details about their new property, such as floor plans and construction updates. You just need to click on yourgranges.co.uk to create an account.

Not a resident? No problem, you can also stay updated. Simply click on the link above and scroll down the home page where you can view the blocks under construction and watch regular video updates.

Second Residents Regeneration survey – what you told us

Thank you to everybody who answered the door to speak to us for our second resident survey, back in the rainy days of January. We want to know what is on your mind, what you feel is going well and what could be improved, so we can act where needed. The headlines from this survey reveal the issues bothering you but also show that you appreciate being kept up to date with news about the redevelopment and with the help and advice provided by the project team. Read the full results at www.the-granges.co.uk

Property Guardians

We recently wrote to you to let you know that we are looking to fill the small number of existing empty flats in Broadleys, Grasmere and Hale with Property Guardians. A few people have asked why we are

doing this. The answer is that we want to keep the properties safe and secure and deter vandalism and squatters. Additionally, the guardians will pay a monthly 'license fee' and this income will be reinvested into Abri's homes and services. We expect the first guardians, who must be working and who undergo strict vetting, to move in this Spring.

Parking Permits

Any questions about the parking permit scheme on site, please contact Parking & Property Management Ltd on 0207 7100 2929 or email info@pandpmanagement.co.uk

If any resident would like their parking permit laminated, then they can come to the regen drop ins in the community room on a Thursday 10-12 only and we will do this free of charge.

Community room to close for redecoration

The community room will close from Monday April 20th and re-open on Monday 4th May. The room has been redesigned by Alex of Daring Designs, our interior designer who is working on the regeneration project. The room will have a new carpet, a lick of paint, as well as furniture to improve the sound and feel of the room and provide a more comfortable setting to deliver activities.



New notice board outside the Community Room

Have you seen the new noticeboard outside the community room. Another way for you to find out what is coming up at The Granges.

Upcoming Events

30 March 10am-12 noon

Easter Family Craft with Creative Communities, The Granges Community Room. Booking essential, contact Danielle.Welburn@abri.co.uk to book your place.

31 March 2-5pm

Easter Baking for adults, make Simnel Cake and Hot Cross Buns to take and bake with Community Chef, The Granges Community Room. contact office@communitychef.org.uk or 07766526217 to book your place.

8 April 12:30-2.30pm

Careers with Hill Group, The Granges Community Room. More details to follow

Every Monday afternoon (Except Bank Holidays) 1- 2.30pm.

Coffee afternoon. The Community Room

Every Wednesday 10am-12 noon

The Community Hub. The Community Room

Every Thursday 10am-12 noon

Regeneration drop-in. The Community Room

Every second Saturday of the month (Except May) Community Fridge Pop up 11-11:30am

Open to anyone to come along to save supermarket food from landfill in The Granges Community Room, don't forget to bring your bag

Keep an eye on the digital boards as we will also have lots more events coming up in 2026

Easter closing dates -Good Friday and Easter Monday- and then from 20th April with reopening on 4th May.

Update on Building and Fire Safety

- **Cooking Safety:** The fire service has been called onto the estate recently due to a few cooking related incidents. Please stay safe whilst cooking. For instance: if you leave the room, take frying pans off the heat, make sure cookers, hobs, and appliances are fully switched off after use and always double check this before you leave the kitchen, Never place metal objects inside a microwave, Never use water to extinguish a pan fire.

Do not try to tackle the fire yourself - Get out, stay out, and call 999.

- **We are looking for Building Safety Champions:** If anyone would like to discuss the possibility of becoming a Building Safety Champion for Broadleys, Hale or Grasmere please contact Samsondeen.Akindede@abri.co.uk. A Building Safety Champion is a voluntary, informal role that helps strengthen communication between residents in your building and the building safety team. Part of this could be gathering feedback where appropriate, acting as a friendly liaison, not a decision-maker or technical expert, but to pass any concerns or suggestions to us. Your input and support would be incredibly valuable.
- **Waking watch** remain in place as we are still wait for access to a few properties to complete the necessary alarm work. Once we have managed to complete this work, Waking Watch will finish.

Your Homes -let us know if your circumstances have changed

It's important that you let us know if your circumstances have changed since we visited you last year to undertake your housing needs assessment. If there is anything we need to know about, please contact either Gemma or Janet on 0300 123 1567 or alternatively, at [Hello@Abri.co.uk](mailto>Hello@Abri.co.uk)

Recent events picture gallery



We welcomed local MP Jack Rankin for a tour round The Granges. Here chatting with Martyn Lane, Hill Project Manager



The Royal Borough of Windsor & Maidenhead's Chief Executive Stephen Evans, Leader of the Council Simon Werner and Executive Director Andrew Durrant visited the redevelopment recently



We held a successful Skip day earlier this year, with residents filling the skips with their unwanted rubbish, helped along by Paul and Danielle from the project team



A young family enjoy the chance to be creative at our recent craft event



How to get in touch:

We are here to help you and will do our best to answer your questions. When we don't have the answers ourselves, we'll point you to the team who do.

Some disruption is inevitable on a building site of this scale, but we will try to minimise this as much as we can. Our contractors work to set hours of Monday -Friday: 8am-6pm and Saturday: 8am-1pm. Sunday & bank holidays are closed.

On occasion they will need to work outside these times, but we will endeavour to alert you to these in advance.

If you are a resident or a neighbour and you have a question about the regeneration or would like to raise an issue that affects you, please write to us at thegrangesteam@abri.co.uk and we will get back to you with an answer.

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