

Spring 2020

Eastfields regeneration update



Artist's impression of the flats in phase one

At the end of last year we let you know that we had to delay the submission of the reserved matters planning application for phase one of regeneration. We are still reviewing our regeneration projects and costs, so we are not yet in the position to submit the planning application.

We will write to you with an updated timeline once we are ready to submit the planning application.

However we are pressing on with preparations for the early phases and the first new homes. We're temporarily moving some residents who currently live in phase one to homes in later phases, freeing up the site and allowing us to get on with building homes as soon as we secure planning permission.

In this newsletter we're asking you to let us know if your housing needs have changed and answering some questions that we have received about the moving process.



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Have your housing needs changed?



Artist's impression of the sparks

We need the latest household information about resident homeowners and Clarion Housing tenants to build the right replacement home for you.

Please contact Doreen Jones, your regeneration manager, on **0300 500 0596** to confirm your housing needs and any special adaptations you may require.

It is important that you let us know when your household circumstances change as we will use the information we have on record to determine which home to build for you.

Your questions answered

We have included some answers below to the questions you've been asking us.

Q: I'm a tenant and want to stay on Eastfields, what does that mean for me?

A: If you are a Clarion Housing assured tenant we will build a replacement home for you as part of regeneration. You will be allocated a home based on your housing need.

Depending on where you live you may need to move temporarily before your replacement home is built. We will always give you plenty of notice before you need to move.

Q: I've decided to move away from Eastfields, can you help me do this?

A: If you are a Clarion Housing tenant and would prefer to move away from Eastfields permanently, you have the following options:

- Register for a transfer with Merton Council if you wish to remain living in Merton. Visit merton.gov.uk
- Seek a mutual exchange where you can swap your home with other housing association or council tenants. To find out more visit houseexchange.org.uk.
- Apply to register for Home Choice, Clarion Housing's online scheme, to bid for a new home outside of Merton. Visit myclarionhousing.com/homechoice

If you choose to move away from Eastfields permanently you'll give up all rights of being rehoused once regeneration is complete. If you would like more information, please contact **Doreen Jones**, your regeneration manager.

If you are a resident homeowner you can sell your home to us and move away. We'll buy your home at market value, plus an additional 10%. We'll also pay you £3,000 to cover the cost of moving home, a payment towards Stamp Duty Land Tax and pay towards legal fees and disbursements.

Any questions?

Do you have any questions about regeneration that you would like us to clarify?

Please contact your regeneration manager, Doreen Jones, on **0300 500 0596** or email mertonregen@myclarionhousing.com.

Keep a look out in the next newsletter for answers to more of your questions.



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Contact

If you have any questions, or would like to arrange a meeting to discuss what regeneration could mean for you, please contact Doreen Jones, your regeneration manager, on **0300 500 0596** or email mertonregen@myclarionhousing.com.

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