

Eastfields

Regeneration update

Autumn 2023



Welcome to the autumn issue of the Eastfields Regeneration update. Inside you can read more about the progress of the regeneration. We also want you to get in touch if there have been any changes to your circumstances which may affect your housing needs.

Phase one underway

We have appointed a contractor to build the first new homes at Eastfields. JJ Rhatigan started on site in October and the first 32 homes will be ready to move into around spring 2025.

You will have noticed a flurry of activity in recent months as residents move to temporary homes on other parts of Eastfields. This will allow us to prepare the site for the construction of the long awaited homes for existing residents.

In the summer we introduced vehicle restrictions to the road in front 87-110 Clay Avenue.

The next step will be to erect hoarding around the construction site to keep residents safe.

Meet the contractor

JJ Rhatigan was chosen after a rigorous tender process. You can find out more about JJ Rhatigan by visiting their website at: www.jjrhatigan.com.

We will arrange an event to meet the contractor so you can find out more about the company, opportunities for employment and their track record in delivering high quality homes and neighbourhoods.

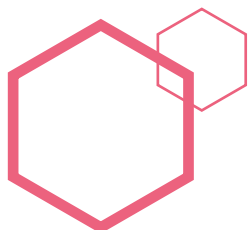
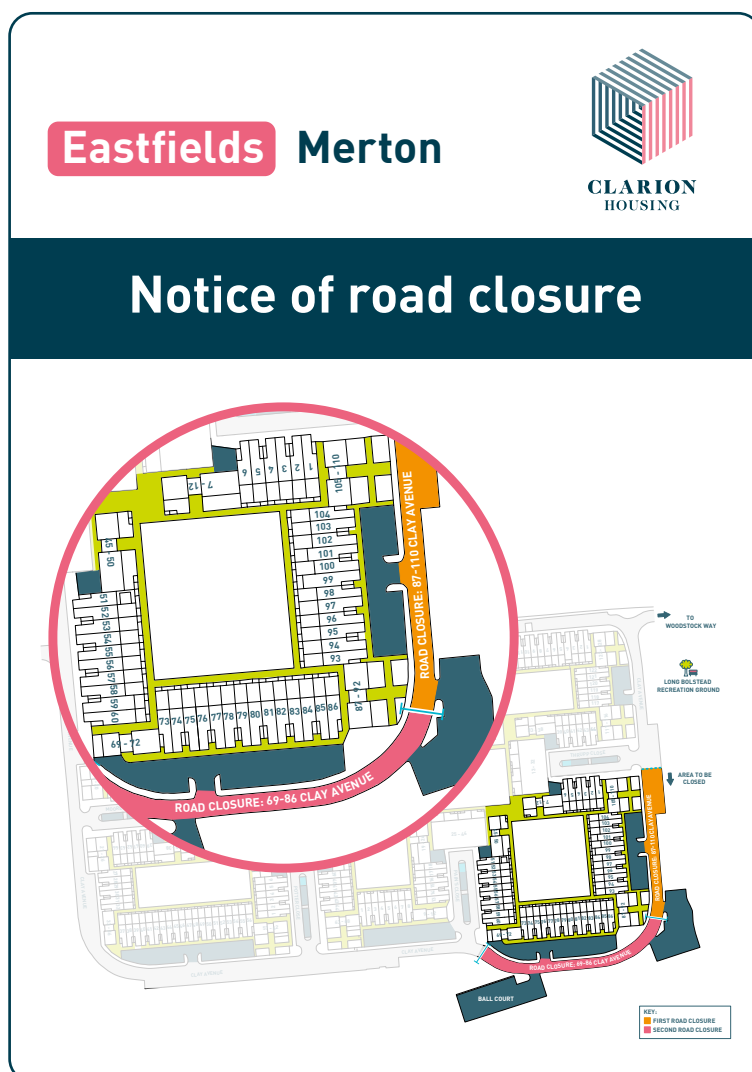
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Clay Avenue - temporary road closure

To ensure residents are kept safe and the contractors can access the phase one construction site with as little disruption as possible, we have closed a part of Clay Avenue to motor vehicles while the first homes are built. The road in front of numbers 87 to 110 Clay Avenue is blocked temporarily and hoarding will be erected around the site soon.

In a few months we will extend the closed section to include the road in front of numbers 69 to 86 Clay Avenue. The road closures are shown on the map (right). The homes affected can still be accessed on foot but you will not be able to drive through or park within this part of Clay Avenue. Any households that remain when this work begins will still have plenty of parking within a few metres of their home.



42 Station Road – your chance to move early

We are still offering all permanent Clarion tenants at Eastfields an opportunity to move to a new home in a car free development in Colliers Wood. The offer is currently only open to Eastfields tenants but if there is no more interest we will offer the remaining homes to Clarion tenants living elsewhere.

Construction of the riverside homes at 42 Station Road will begin in the autumn. There will be 98 new affordable homes comprising one, two and three-bedroom flats which will be finished and ready to move into in 2025.

This means some Eastfields residents could move in to a new home much sooner than planned. Moving to Station Road will be entirely your choice – if you wish to remain on Eastfields and wait for your new home there, you can do so.

To find out more please contact your Regeneration Manager, **Doreen Jones** on **07584 365629** or email **mertonregen@clarionhg.com**.

You can also visit our virtual exhibition room to discover more about the new development here:

www.stationroadproposals.co.uk/clarionresident

Around Eastfields



Coronation celebration

Eastfields residents and neighbours had fun at the community fair and celebrated the King's Coronation in the spring. Around 200 people explored the stalls run by small local businesses selling hand made cakes, jam and preserves, books, artisan jewellery, doggie toys and treats, crystals and face painting. Thank you to everyone who attended.



Beside the seaside

Residents enjoyed a day at the seaside in August. Travelling by coach, they discovered the beauty of Brighton's beach and explored the Lanes and local sights.

Your community garden

This summer your neighbours and gardeners from Urban Growth started a community garden. Residents joined a fun planting day in August. The garden, on the Central Green, includes eight large planters which were built by the resident volunteers and the team from Urban Growth. They include a selection of ornamental and edible plants.

Urban Growth are also supporting residents to set up a gardening club. You can join a regular drop in session run by an experienced gardener and share gardening tips and information.



Residents of all ages are welcome to join the gardening club and work in the community garden. If you'd like to take part please contact your Regeneration Manager, **Doreen Jones**, at **mertonregen@clarionhg.com**.



Pooch free area



A dog free area was created on the Central Green following feedback from residents who decided to use LEAF (Large Estate Allocation Fund) money for this space. Dogs are not permitted in this clearly marked area to allow small children and others to enjoy the outdoor space undisturbed. **Dogs are welcome in other communal spaces.**



Repairs update

We've brought the repairs service in-house.

Clarion Response

will be handling your repairs in the future.

Please continue to report repairs on our website:
myclarionhousing.com/request-a-repair
or scan the QR code.

Emergency repairs:

Call us on **0300 500 8000**



Neighbourhood Projects

The Large Estates Allocation Fund for Merton, also known as LEAF, offers residents an opportunity to have a say in how money is spent on the neighbourhood. Each household gets to vote on project proposals and the most popular are implemented.

LEAF money was used to develop the dog free area on the Central Green and the fund will support other projects in the future.

Eastfields regeneration and housing drop-ins

Pop in or make an appointment to discuss:

- **Eastfields regeneration plans**
- **Merton Residents Offer**
- **Your housing needs**

Your regeneration manager will be available at the portakabin on Clay Avenue, on Tuesday and Thursday from 10am to 6pm.

The housing team will also be available Monday to Friday from 9.30-11.30am to discuss any housing, tenancy and repairs issues you may have.

Contact us

If you have any questions or would like to arrange a meeting to discuss what regeneration means for you, please contact your Regeneration Manager, **Doreen Jones** on **07584 365629** or email mertonregen@clarionhg.com.

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