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Dear Resident,

### **Gainsborough Studios: Confirmation received on Joint Funding Application**

Further to our last update on 25 March, we are pleased to confirm that we have now received formal confirmation from the GLA that the MHCLG has approved full funding for Gainsborough Studios cladding remediation.

#### **Funding for all external works as per the specification on the East Block has been approved.**

We are pleased to tell you that the majority of the balcony remediation will be covered by this funding, despite initial indication from the Ministry that balconies are not normally eligible for funding.

If you completed the State Aid form in December, you may shortly be sent a letter from the Ministry confirming your State Aid grant. This will be just for your information and no action is required as we understand that no leaseholders in East Block breached the threshold.

As previously advised project arrangements are now underway with the first pre-project start meeting having taken place on 15 March. Further updates on programme progress will be provided once the works get underway and we will update our project microsite regularly with all the latest developments and documentation.

We would like to thank everyone for the support on this project. It has been long and challenging journey, but we are now moving towards a positive outcome for all residents.

**Yours sincerely,**

**Southern Housing Group Building Safety Team**