

CASTLEWOOD HOUSE AND MEDIUS HOUSE NEWSLETTER



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Update on the works from Deconstruct UK

Since our previous newsletter issued in October last year, the following works have been undertaken or are upcoming in the next few weeks:

Castlewood House

- The external elevations of Castlewood House have been shrouded with scaffolding and monoflex sheeting to contain the works. This involved some works being carried out over weekend periods with pavement and road closures negotiated with Camden Council and TfL to maintain local services and coordinate with the West End Project works.
- The demolition of Castlewood House subsequently commenced in early January 2020, with the removal of the roof level plant equipment and lift shaft housings, progressing onto the roof slab removal and down to the 8th floor slab. These works were carried out with excavator machines fitted with pneumatic hammer and cruncher attachments with all arisings being removed internally within the building.
- Groundworks, in conjunction with the installation of a steelwork support frame, are now ongoing which will allow the current site accommodation

within the building to be moved to welfare cabins. This means UKPN Temporary Sub Stations can be constructed within the site boundary on Earnshaw Street.

- During March, UKPN will be laying new cables within New Oxford Street pavements and Earnshaw Street to join up to the new Temporary Sub Station slab. Welfare cabins will be installed in mid-March.
- Demolition will continue progressively and systematically through the building levels from the 8th floor down to the 5th floor slab level with all arisings being removed from site via the Bucknall Street traffic management system.

Medius House

- Medius House has seen the phased breaking out of the basement slab to allow MOLA (Museum of London Archaeology) to carefully explore and record the underlying soil stratas for potential artefacts of historic interest.
- The external area has been enveloped with hoardings to contain and manage the removal of arisings via a conveyor belt into waiting lorries within the Dyott Street traffic management system.

Temporary Traffic Order (TTO)

A Temporary Traffic Order (TTO) has been implemented in both Dyott Street and Bucknall Street. This commenced in January 2020 and allows us to safely manage the movement of vehicles and keep pedestrians separate from our operations. These traffic management schemes have been developed and agreed with Camden Council Highways Department and coordinated with the surrounding West End Project and neighbouring site works to minimise disruption to the area.

The barriers, signage and gates are installed with clear segregation and are administered by traffic marshals at all times.

Local businesses have been consulted prior to the TTO installation and allow for their deliveries and safe passage through the Bucknall Street system with coordination at the gate with the traffic marshal upon arrival - local residents are afforded the same facility upon request at the gate.



Temporary TTO in Bucknall Street.



Temporary TTO in Dyott Street.



View of demolition works on 8th floor of Castlewood House.

Demolition works update

Castlewood House

Demolition of the superstructure down to ground floor level will be ongoing through to mid-May with the ground to basement level 2 temporary support work and subsequent demolition carrying on through to end of July this year.

Medius House

The Museum of London Archaeology works will complete in early March, allowing enabling works for façade retention, groundworks and crane-based works to follow on. Scaffolds will be erected in early April with a tower crane being installed at the end of April to facilitate the installation of the façade steelwork, in conjunction with demolition.



View of demolition works on 8th floor of Castlewood House.

Considerate Constructors - Site Registration No. 118132

Deconstruct UK are a registered Considerate Constructors Scheme business, which underpins our commitment to minimising disruption to the local community surrounding our scheme.

Our commitment to the schemes Code of Considerate Practice means we make every effort to ensure our site teams care about the appearance of the site, respect the local community, protect the environment, secure everyone's safety and value our workforce.

In order to avoid disruption to local residents, noisy works will be subject to 2 hours on and 2 hours off on weekdays during the following times:

Monday to Friday

8.00am – 10.00am
12.00pm – 14.00pm
16.00pm – 18.00pm

Saturday

8.00am – 13.00pm



Contact us

Deconstruct UK are committed to keeping the local residents updated regarding the construction works taking place and will regularly be sending further correspondence throughout the project - Newsletters outlining progress and future works will be issued quarterly.

Should you have any questions at any point of the coming months, we encourage you to contact our construction team on the following email address: howcanwehelp@deconstructuk.com

Alternatively, you can call our Team directly on the following number:



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To ensure that all resident's are kept informed of our plans to minimise the impact our works may have on the local community and the wider environment, we have created a WeTransfer portal (<https://we.tl/t-mDHqumDx3p>) to allow everyone direct access to the latest Construction Management Plan (CMP), as submitted to Camden Council.



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