Gilbert-Ash

Newsletter

02nd February 2015

Ref: Wates House, University College London

Dear Residents,

We have been appointed as the Main Contractor to undertake the refurbishment of Wates House, 22 Gordon Street, London for University College London (UCL). These works are anticipated to take approximately 85 weeks to execute, and will commence in January 2015. The strip-out phase of the project has just been completed and we will be taking possession in January. The project involves the internal demolitions, facade removal, rear extension, perimeter extensions, 2 storey roof level extension, new facade and internal fit-out works.

The perimeter of the building will be enclosed in full height scaffolding wrapped in protection membrane to reduce dust and noise migration. Access to site will be via entrance gate on Taviton Street. Internal lifts will be utilised for the vertical movement of material between floors and a tower crane will be erected within the site to distribute material around the perimeter of the site. This will limit the environmental impact on the locality as noise dust and vibration will be confined to within the building.

During the early stages of the project we will be commencing site establishment with tree protection on Endsleigh Gardens and timber hoardings on existing foot-paths to secure the site. Once the site has been secured, works will commence with the demolition of the ground floor perimeter wall and floor slab, basement excavations, piling to basement foundations and perimeter scaffolding. There will be some intermittent noisy works associated with these activities; specifically the cutting back of the existing slabs and loading out of scaffolding materials.

Gilbert-Ash Limited are required to protect nearby residents and commercial occupiers from noise, dust and other environmental effects, and will take every reasonable action to meet this requirement. We apologise in advance for any inconvenience that we may cause during the period of our works.

We will re-issue a programme of our works on a 4 weekly basis to keep all our neighbours informed of the forthcoming activities and site progress.

Our Site Manager is Mr Eamon Laverty who will be on site daily from 8:00am to 6:00pm and can be contacted on 028 9066 4334 for any information, questions or general help you may require to do with the contract being undertaken.

John Davis

Contracts Manager