



Tuesday 27 September 2022

Dear Neighbour,

I wrote to you last year, ahead of the University taking possession of the former Madras College site in South Street, to update you on planned works. Core demolition work has now begun on the site and external contractor, Avison Young, as project planner for the development, has been in contact with the owners of properties in the immediate vicinity. It is, therefore, likely you have already engaged with our colleagues regarding the demolition phase.

I would like to take the opportunity to share some additional details on this activity. We hope this will ensure you are kept informed and reassured by the commitment to ensuring demolition works have minimal impact on the local community. We will continue to update you on the project, which now has the working name 'New College', as works progress.

### **Timeframe**

Demolition of the buildings to the rear of the A-Listed building have begun and will continue for the next three-four months. Should there be any significant delays that impact these plans, I will endeavour to keep you updated.

### **Operational Hours**

Operational hours will be 8 am to 4 pm Monday to Friday. Some work may be undertaken outwith these hours, but no demolition will be undertaken outside of the dedicated timeframe.

### **Impact**

All parties involved in the demolition process have extensive experience in this field of work and will strive to ensure that any disruption is kept to a minimum. Precautions and actions are in place to ensure that the impact in terms of noise, dust and removal of waste is kept to a minimum.

### **Waste Removal**

Avison Young intends to reuse as much of the existing on-site material as possible. What cannot be recycled on-site will be contained in two-three skips. To minimise disruption and limit environmental impact regarding transporting of waste from the site, lorries will only remove waste material when these skips are at capacity. Lorries will follow a route along Queens Terrace, onto Abbey Street and along North Street.

### **Future developments**

Plans for the New College site are still being developed. The University will be in contact with all residents, elected members and the wider community when these plans have been fully developed. A dedicated has also been set up to provide updates on the development – [www.st-andrews.ac.uk/capital-projects/new-college-development](http://www.st-andrews.ac.uk/capital-projects/new-college-development)

Should there be any questions or issues raised regards the demolition please contact Murray Watson, Avison Young Director by email [murray.watson@avisonyoung.com](mailto:murray.watson@avisonyoung.com) or University Project Manager Kevin McMullan, by email [kam32@st-andrews.ac.uk](mailto:kam32@st-andrews.ac.uk)

In the meantime, thank you for your continued patience and understanding. We look forward to creating a new and exciting University space that we hope the community will also enjoy.

Kind Regards,

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Community Engagement and Social Responsibility Officer