

Brown Street Recommencement Comms

Friday 29th May 2020

Following the announcement on Friday 24th March 2020, Trafford Council, Novo and the Development Team have been analysing how to deliver the remaining works at Brown Street in Hale. We are pleased to confirm that lengthy discussions with subcontractors and suppliers have concluded positively giving the team confidence that this development can re-start within the coming weeks.

The approach taken to work collaboratively with those affected has saved jobs and businesses during these very difficult times. The experienced team taken over by Novo have produced a remobilisation plan that works safely with the social distancing requirements and Covid-19 precautions.

During the lockdown the site team have managed the security of the site and ensured no risks are present for the general public. This proactive intervention and stabilisation allowsthe project to restart with as little disruption as possible, to ensure this much needed development is delivered.

Ben Fearn, MD at Novo said:

"It was with great sadness that we learned of the administration of CPUK, an organisation with whom we had an excellent working relationship with and held in high regard. Our goal now is to ensure the scheme is ready to recommence on site as soon as it is safe to do so, and we are working hard behind the scenes to ensure this happens.

In the face of significant constraints, we are very pleased to be securing local jobs and keeping this excellent project on track."

Cllr James Wright, Trafford Council's Executive Member for Housing and Regeneration, said:

"The resumption of construction at Brown Street is a priority for Trafford, as not only will the scheme deliver much needed affordable homes in the area, but the return to work will provide a welcome boost for the local suppliers and sub-contractors working on the project. In line with Novo's social value strategy, the remaining procurement packages will seek to offer local individuals and SME's the opportunity to get back to work on the scheme, helping to inject much needed stimulus to the local economy."