



Locks Court, Coates Court, Sea House & Grange Court - Balconies Frequently Asked Questions

Q) Why can I not use my balcony?

We commissioned our consultants to complete a balcony survey ahead of an interim package of works that needs to be carried out on our blocks of flats. The survey highlighted that some balcony structures need additional support, that sections of concrete are failing and that some balcony railings require extra support. To ensure your safety, you **MUST NOT** use your balconies until we can make arrangements for these works to take place.

Q) How long will I have to stop using my balcony?

We had originally intended to install some temporary measures that would allow the balconies to be used again safely. However, now that we know the full extent of the works required it has become clear that these would not be practical. Instead the works required to make them safe will be included as part of the interim package of works due to start in the coming months.

Q) I have items on my balcony - what should I do?

Please remove any items on your balcony and store them temporarily either in your flat or your store cupboard. If you do not need the items, they can be left there for now.

Q) What areas have you fenced off and why?

Any areas at ground level around balconies have been fenced off. The fencing loops outwards 6 metres either side of the balconies. We have also increased the fencing to overhead protection at the rear entrance of Locks Court and Coates Court. We have done our best not to block pathways. No entry or exit points to the building are blocked.

Q) Are there other major works needed in the building?

We have carried out a number of surveys on the Southwick Estate and are planning a package of interim external works to commence in the coming months to make sure the buildings are maintained. This coincides with other programmes of work like the Fire Safety Works Programme and Flat Front Door Fire Door Replacement Programme which are already underway.

Q) How are Adur Homes continuing to maintain my block?

We are continuing to complete regular estate inspections on the Southwick Estate and any urgent reactive maintenance work required will be completed by Building Services.

If you have any further queries or questions, please contact us on 01903 221023 or email southwickestaterepairs@adur-worthing.gov.uk.