

Apartment Defects Campaign Update, 27 August, 2024 – PLEASE SHARE

Considerable progress made with Interim Remediation Scheme

We're pleased to let you know that in the month since the last newsletter, considerable progress has been made with regards to the Interim Remediation Scheme which is designed to keep people safe in their apartments while their complexes await full defects remediation.

As we mentioned at the end of July, the Construction Defects Alliance asked the Minister for Housing, Darragh O'Brien TD, to personally intervene to sort out the issues that had delayed the processing of the applications for funding from the four initial 'pathfinder' projects – and the Minister agreed to do so.

So, even though he was on holidays for part of this period, he chaired a number of meetings which had the desired effect of moving the application process along.

As a result, two of the pathfinder projects have recently had their proposed fire remediation works approved by the local authority fire services and are now in the process of having their funding processed by The Housing Agency.

It's expected that these two pathfinders will have their funding sorted in the next few weeks and will then be in a position to commence works.

The remaining two pathfinder projects are working through a number of issues with the fire services and should be through this stage by the end of September or so.

Once, the pathfinder process has been completed and the learnings digested and communicated to key stakeholders, then the task of assessing the other Interim Remediation Scheme applications will begin in earnest.

Ends.