

Reinforced Autoclaved Aerated Concrete (RAAC) - Jennings and Barrett response to the risks in managed developments

Dear Directors,

Given the extensive news coverage regarding the use of RAAC in public buildings, we are aware that leaseholders are concerned that this material may have been included in the construction of properties within our management portfolio.

We have raised this matter with independent surveyors , CWA , who have provided some initial advice. They told us the RAAC is a product they see rarely used and that it would be particularly unusual to find it within residential developments.

Jennings and Barrett have identified those developments that were built within the specific period that RAAC was being used and that have the characteristics that suggest further investigation is appropriate.

We anticipate advising Directors of the specific developments identified and within 2 weeks will have a contractor carry out a simple resistance test to rule out use of RAAC. Where this cannot be ruled out, we will discuss with Directors further specialist tests or surveys that they may require.

We can advise that developments built prior to 1950 and after 1990 , high rise developments and any with pitched roofs will not require any investigation. We will be advising leaseholders who contact us with questions about RAAC accordingly .