

Sanctuary Housing Group Fire Door Upgrade Works, Newtown Tower Blocks, Chester

WORKS DESCRIPTION

FR Fire Protection continues to secure contracts with social housing providers, delivering fire risk management works, the latest being a £1.3million scheme with Sanctuary Housing in Chester City Centre.

The firm, which has already carried out a series of contracts for the housing association, including related fire management work, was awarded a six-month project involving the installation of some 1250 fire doors across nine tower blocks.

The works will not only improve security for residents but increase fire compartmentation reducing potential fire spread throughout the tower blocks.

OVERCOMING NON-ACCESS

We employed a dedicated Customer Liaison Officer who worked tirelessly with Sanctuary site agents supporting timely access to all flats to install new fire rated doors. We provided all residents with a "Frequently Asked Questions" sheet explaining why works were necessary and time required to install new doors.

We established a small compound as not to reduce valuable resident parking across site complete with joinery workshop storing a minimum of 100 door sets supporting a team of 6 qualified joiners and apprentices deliver over 50 door set installs per week.

Introducing labour operatives prior to commencing works supporting Sanctuary clear communal landings of discarded resident belongings reduced immediate fire hazard while minimising risk to our operatives working within confined corridors.

We maintained daily block cleaning schedules ensuring corridors, stairwells and circulation spaces always remained clear and clean promoting positive resident feedback.

Mike Travis, Snr Contracts Manager at Frank Rogers commented:

"This latest contract win comes following the completion of a number of schemes successfully handed over to Sanctuary in the last 12 months. We are now very familiar with the area, the homes and the local community and will work closely with them and members of Sanctuary's team throughout the project duration."

