

PRESS RELEASE

Work begins on regeneration of disused garages in Corby



Pictured left to right; Shadi Shabankar, Assistant Quantity Surveyor and Piers Thomas, Construction Manager - Ashley House plc, Lisa Abbott – Corby Borough Council (Housing Regeneration Officer), Anthony Walters, Chief Executive - Ashley House plc, Councillor Julie Riley – Corby Borough Council, Tahir Majid – Development Programme Manager, Corby Borough Council, Norman Stronach – Chief Executive, Corby Borough Council, Councillor Tom Beattie – Leader of Corby Borough Council, Councillor Bob Eyles – Lead Member for Housing, Corby Borough Council, Gareth Davis – Employers Agent, DSPM Ltd, Councillor Jean Addison, Deputy Leader of Corby Borough Council, Andrew Cotton, Head of Housing, Corby Borough Council

Corby Borough Council and F1 Modular marked the start of work on the site of a disused garage block at the head of Wilby Close, Corby.

The latest regeneration project will see the demolition of twelve garages to be replaced with a block of four modern, one-bedroom council flats as part of a wider regeneration scheme for new council housing in the town. The homes will be built using modular construction techniques by specialist company, F1 Modular.

All units, including kitchens and bathrooms are being built in a factory and will then be lifted onto the site before the brickwork and landscaping is finished off, meaning less labour work will be visible to residents.

The project will be complete by Autumn 2019 and is funded by Right to Buy Receipts. The four new modular construction properties will add to Corby Borough Council's housing portfolio and will bring the number of properties built by Corby Borough Council to 246 since 2010. Once complete, all four of the new flats will be available for rent and added to Keyways.

Corby Borough Council's lead member for housing, Councillor Bob Eyles, said: *"We are extremely happy to be working with F1 Modular on yet another project that will bring more much needed, modern and affordable homes for the people of Corby."*

Antony Walters, Chairman of F1 Modular, added: *"F1 Modular is delighted to be working with Corby Borough Council to provide these high-quality affordable homes for its local residents."*

"The units are currently being manufactured in the factory (I saw them there a few days ago!) and will shortly being transported to site. Modular construction enables the energy efficiency of the houses to be increased as well as minimising the disruption on site."