Case Study

Heyhouses Housing Estate, Lytham St Annes

This project involved full demolition of 105 houses and several blocks of flats on the Heyhouses estate for Principal Contractor Southdale Homes. The works included full asbestos removal, soft strip and mechanical demolition. The buildings were then stripped of loose furniture and soft stripped before mechanical demolition took place. The hardcore was crushed on site for reuse by the principal contractor

We realised when we started to demolish that the properties all had loose polystyrene cavity wall insulation. The client was also unaware of this. The polystyrene had to be removed prior to demolition and the task was made more difficult by the dry windy conditions. The houses were also built on sandy ground which gave rise to high levels of ground vibration caused by the excavators on site. We worked very closely with site management to overcome these potential problems and liaised with neighbours to allay their concerns.

Senior members of staff visited the site 2/3 times a week and also attended regular meetings with the project management team on site. We also attended a meeting with local residents.



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