

ALLAN, COURSINGTON & DRAFFEN TOWERS, MOTHERWELL

Newsletter: December 2025



IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR RESIDENTS

DEMOLITION OF ALLAN, COURSINGTON AND DRAFFEN TOWERS

SUNDAY 7 DECEMBER 2025 Please read this leaflet to find out what will happen on the day, where to go and how you can plan ahead.

When it's happening: The towers will be demolished on Sunday 7th December 2025.

The only reason the blowdown would be delayed is extreme weather, such as high winds, ice or snow. We will monitor the weather forecasts and give at least 48 hours' notice if the date changes.

SAFETY FIRST: EXCLUSION ZONE

For safety, an Exclusion Zone will be in place around the site and all residents will be required to vacate the exclusion zone.

This means some roads and footpaths will be closed and traffic diversions will be in place (see map overleaf).

- The zone will be active from 10:00am until the site is declared safe. The contractor expects this to be around 4pm but restrictions may be lifted sooner if possible.
- The local roads will be closed off from 8.00am and general traffic will not be allowed into the Exclusion Zone. If someone is coming to collect you after 8.00am they must enter by a designated ENTRANCE point and leave by a designated EXIT point. The entrances / exits will be controlled by security staff. The public and vehicles will not be allowed IN to the Exclusion Zone after 8.00am without a valid reason.

NOBODY WILL BE ALLOWED IN TO THE EXCLUSION ZONE AFTER 10.00AM.

Combined ENTRANCES/EXITS will be located at the junction of:

- Merry St. (A723) and Mill Rd.
- Merry St. (A723) and Jerviston St.
- Coursington Gdns. and Leslie St..

A dedicated EXIT will be located at the junction of Albert St. and Dalziel St. All of these points are shown on the map overleaf.

- A NLC minibus service will be available from 7.30am, however if you need to use this service we recommend you leave as early as possible. Please follow all directions from security staff, Police Scotland

and our contractors (Thompsons of Prudhoe) on the day.

- We really appreciate your patience and cooperation as we reach this important final stage.

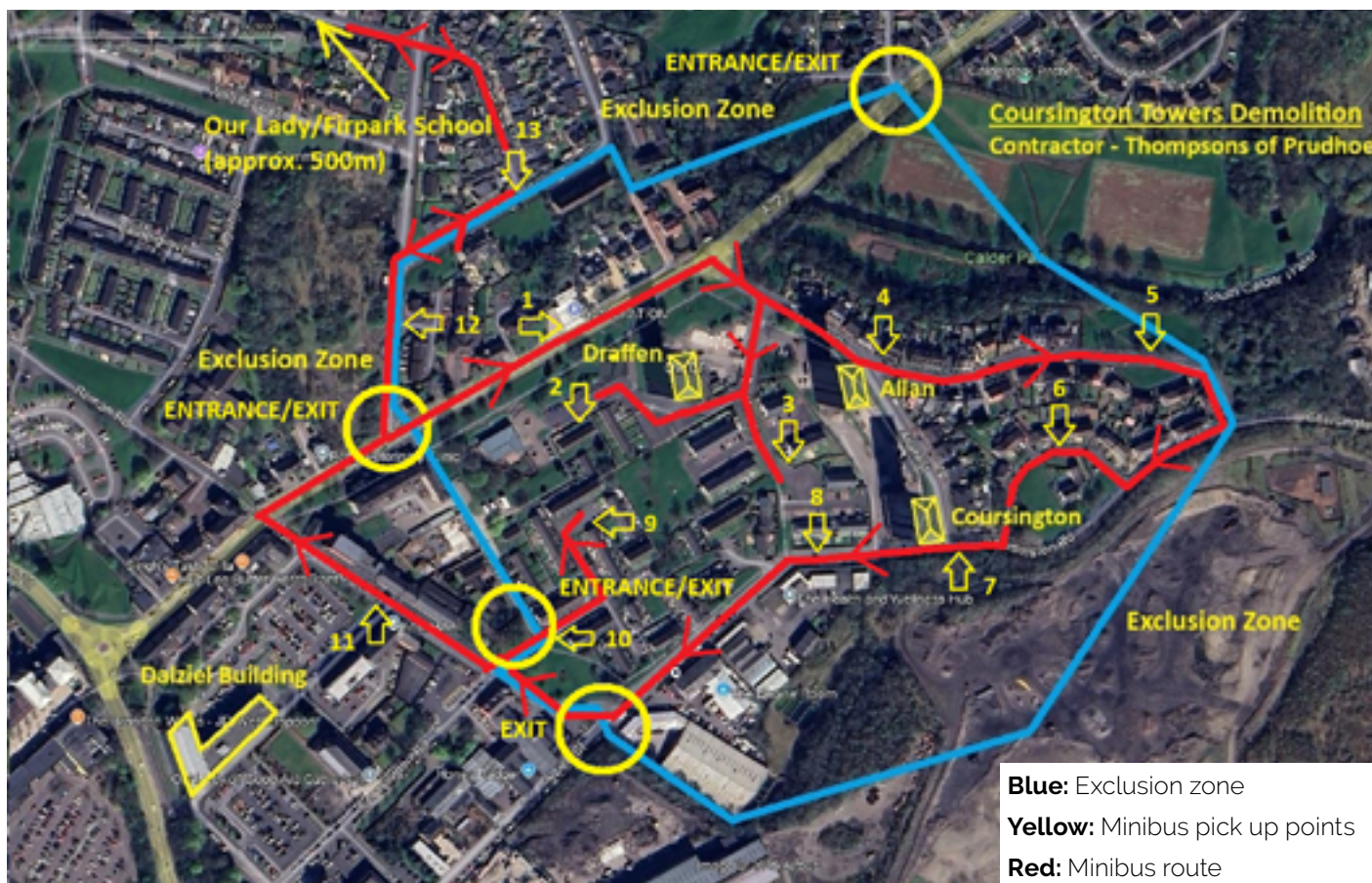
Where you can go

For safety reasons all residents will be required to vacate the exclusion zone. We're providing a drop in centre at:

**Our Lady of Good Aid Cathedral
Firpark Primary School Campus,
Milton Street, ML1 1DH from 7.30am
till around 5pm.**

Tea/coffee, snacks and a light lunch will be available as well as toilets and seating.

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Blue: Exclusion zone
Yellow: Minibus pick up points
Red: Minibus route

We are also aiming to provide a TV news channel and a WIFI link.

What to take with you

You should take the same belongings you would normally bring if going out for the day. This includes:

- Any medication you may need within the next 24 hours.
- Items for children or dependents such as snacks, nappies or comfort items.
- Pets are welcome at the drop-in centre if they are on a lead or in a suitable carrier.
- Your mobile phone, charger and any personal items you usually carry.

Parking

If you want to move your car out of the area before the demolition, free parking will be available for residents who live inside the zone at the Dalziel Building, Scott Street, ML1 1PN. Please note however the number of spaces may be limited. Limited parking will also be available at the drop-in centre.

Travel and support

A minibus service will run between 07:30am until about an hour after the

contractor has declared it safe to return home and the restrictions are lifted. The service will operate on a continuous loop basis and take residents between the pick-up points, the Dalziel Building car park and the drop-in centre (see map above).

If you or someone in your household has additional mobility needs, please get in touch and we'll arrange extra support.

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A few simple preparations

Before leaving your home, we would advise that you please:

- Turn off gas fires or cookers.
- Close windows and vents.
- Lock doors and outbuildings.



During the blowdown

- A loud siren will sound around one minute before demolition begins.
- Once the site is confirmed safe, security staff will let residents know when they can return home.

- Updates will also be shared on our social media channels (@My Motherwell) and the council website northlanarkshire.gov.uk

Thank you for your understanding and support as we safely complete this major project.

This is an important milestone for Motherwell, and your cooperation will help make the day run smoothly for everyone.



Where to find more information

You can find the most up to date information on our website:
northlanarkshire.gov.uk/motherwell-towers-demolition

If you have specific questions and want to discuss your individual circumstances, email:
investment@northlan.gov.uk
 or call **0800 953 025**.