

## **MEDIA RELEASE**

## Remedial Works to begin at Charford Courts (Building E)

October 10, 2023

The Trinidad and Tobago Housing Development Corporation (HDC) wishes to provide an update regarding an incident in which a small portion of concrete spalling from Building E fell onto four vehicles on Sunday October 8.

On Monday October 9, the Estate Management Division at the HDC visited the site to complete an assessment of the area. Following this, materials were ordered and will be delivered on the site on Wednesday October 11. Pending removal of the vehicles from the affected area, scaffolding will be erected on the site following which remedial work will be initiated. This involves cladding using rendered concrete to secure the underside of the exposed metal beam, and reinforce the structure of the building.

The HDC will also conduct individual assessments of all six buildings on the compound, from A to F, to determine the structural integrity of the properties. Remedial works will be completed on the buildings that need repair. In the interim, HDC officials will meet with the four residents whose vehicles were damaged by this unfortunate accident, on Wednesday, to initiate compensatory proceedings.

The HDC remains committed to the safety and well-being of its residents, and will continue to take proactive measures to address these and other challenges through its subsidiaries. One such entity is our newly-established Facilities Estate Management Company Limited (FEMcol) which will be overseeing all elements of property management including maintenance of rental housing units. The HDC intends to continue to deliver on its promise to upkeep communities and promote sustainable community development.

The Corporation thanks the residents for their patience, as it strives to enhance the quality of life for all stakeholders within its community.

For further assistance this matter, residents can email the HDC at communications@hdc.gov.tt

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