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Work under way on next chapter in Millbay's regeneration

Work is under way on the next phase of development in the transformation of Plymouth's Millbay.

The project will see regeneration continue on the eastern side of the historic former docks, located next to and following on from the multi-award-winning Quadrant Quay development.

In total there will be 137 new homes, featuring a mix of apartments and split level homes. The scheme will also continue the new waterside promenade and Quadrant Quay's coastal-themed, landscaped garden rooms, which recently won Best Public Space in the 2017 Abercrombie Awards for Plymouth.

And as part of Millbay's aim to open up the historic waterfront and reconnect the area with the city, a further new pedestrian link will be created from West Hoe Road down on to the quayside.

Initial preparation and site clearance works has been completed and work on the build has now started with Galliford Try Partnerships and is scheduled to last two years. The first homes are expected to be finished in summer 2019 with the project set to be compete in late 2019.

It's the second significant development to start in Millbay this year following the commencement of a new 80-apartment Abbeyfield Extra Care Scheme.

The wider Millbay regeneration project is an exciting mix of residential, leisure, business and retail development, with high quality public spaces and direct access to the waterfront. Its lead developer English Cities Fund (ECf) is a joint venture between Muse Developments, Legal and General and the Homes and Communities Agency.

Duncan Cumberland, Development Director for Muse Developments, which is one of the partners in ECf, said: "It is always a significant moment to see the start of a new phase of development at Millbay and we are delighted to be moving ahead with this exciting mix of new waterfront homes so soon after the start of the Abbeyfield scheme just along the guayside.

"We have worked closely throughout the regeneration with our partners, including Plymouth City Council and the Homes and Communities Agency, in bringing forward these projects which will contribute to the already growing residential and business community here and add to Millbay's reputation for the innovative design and high quality of its buildings and public spaces."

Considerable progress has already been made in delivering the Millbay vision, with over £90 million of a planned £200 million invested in the area. Millbay now has more than 400 new homes, new businesses, the new 1,000-pupil Plymouth School of Creative Arts, the 171-berth King Point Marina and the successful Dock Restaurant, all contributing to an increasingly busy and vibrant local community.

The regeneration has won numerous awards along the way, including the most recent development, Quadrant Quay, winning the Michelmores Property Awards for Residential Project of the Year (41 units and over), The Business Insider South West Residential Development of the Year and being shortlisted for the RICS South West Awards in the Residential category.

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