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Development opening up new links to Millbay's waterfront

Work is under way on the next major phase of development at Millbay including opening up new access to the historic docksides and waterfront from Plymouth's West Hoe Road.

A stretch of the imposing wall along West Hoe Road is being lowered and some sections removed completely as part of the project to develop 102 homes on Millbay's East Quay. The project is being taken forward by Millbay's lead developer English Cities Fund (ECf), which is a joint venture between Muse, Legal and General Property and the Homes and Communities Agency.

The scheme will feature a mix of townhouses and apartments on East Quay, with many enjoying views out over the docks and Plymouth Sound. On West Hoe Road, an innovative use of the change in levels either side of the dock boundary will see new townhouses built facing West Hoe Road with maisonettes below, together with the construction of a new staircase leading down to Millbay's waterfront.

The East Quay project will also include work to lay out and open the first section, up to Millbay Road, of a planned new boulevard aimed at linking Plymouth city centre with the waterfront.

Work has already been completed to raise ground levels on East Quay - using material recycled from the dredging of Millbay's inner harbour and the restoration of its original quay walls in 2010. Piling operations for the foundations of the new homes is also nearing completion.

The East Quay development, including the interim boulevard, is scheduled to be completed by December 2014 thanks to the Homes and Communities Agency's (HCA) agreement to invest in the scheme through its Get Britain Building programme.

It's an exciting time for Millbay with the imminent completion of the second phase of development - Cargo 2 - which has already seen more than 20 of its 36 homes snapped up off-plan. Cargo 2 follows the success of the award-winning original Cargo development in Millbay Road and is close to the new 171-berth King Point Marina, which has been built by Sutton Harbour Holdings within Millbay's inner harbour.

Duncan Cumberland, development director for Muse said: "We're very pleased to see the progress being made on East Quay and we are looking forward to the changes this will bring in opening up new links from the city to Millbay its waterfront and marina.

"Our focus now is on the work we are continuing to do with our partners at Plymouth City Council and the HCA in refining the masterplan for the further regeneration of Millbay as a prime waterfront destination which everyone in Plymouth can enjoy and be proud of."

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