

Crucial knotweed control for London property developer



Specialising in prime residential property ranging from single homes to multi-unit, mixed use developments, London developer Intra Urban Developments works on various projects which involve converting existing housing or transforming distressed properties into high value assets.

In common with many in the property sector, Intra Urban has seen several of its sites prone to Japanese Knotweed infestations and Japanese Knotweed Control (JKC) has always proved a reliable treatment partner.

One such site was 1 Palace Road in Streatham, South West London. It previously had a single dwelling house on the plot which was demolished to make way for a mixed use scheme, but a large section of knotweed infestation needed to be controlled or completely removed in order for the proposed new-build to progress.

Having previously worked together, Intra Urban again contacted JKC on this problem and the treatment specialists carried out several visits to Palace Road and prepared a thorough report before outlining various treatment methods. The two companies then worked jointly on an effective eradication programme intended to prevent costly delays to the build schedule.

Whilst JKC is able to offer a full range of treatment options, because of the nature of this luxury residential development and the construction timescales, it was decided to have all knotweed excavated and removed off site. This was to prevent any issues with further growth or problems arising in the future which might compromise sale of the properties.

Adam Ramalingum, Project Manager at Intra Urban, commented, "We were very happy with the work carried out by JKC and its assistance throughout the various stages of the treatment

process. The knotweed was successfully excavated and removed from the Palace Road site and there have been no further issues. We have used the company on a number of sites now and would highly recommend the use of JKC's services to any other developer suffering with knotweed issues."

JKC at Amenity Conference

Meanwhile, JKC is looking forward to attending the Amenity Forum Conference on 16th October at Leicester City FC, an event which attracts delegates from across the amenity sector. Entitled 'Staying in Control', this year's conference will specifically address the many challenges facing the amenity sector in terms of its approach to weed, pest and disease control.

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