

Further improvements at shopping centre



Pennywell shopping centre makeover takes another step forward.

A few weeks ago the doors were removed, and this week workmen started taking down the full lower screens within Pennywell Shopping Centre. Once this phase is completed it is hoped the roof will be lifted early next year. Unfortunately this has been delayed at present due to structural concerns.

In an email from John McDonald regeneration senior project manager from The City of Edinburgh Council back in October, he stated that the work to the roof would be completed on Monday 22 October 2012, but for reasons unknown it has not yet happened.

"I have recently taken over as Senior Project Manager in the Regeneration team, replacing Michelle Fraser and I hope that I will have the chance to meet you in the coming weeks to introduce myself in person.

I just to make you aware in advance (albeit short notice), that the damaged doors and lower screens at the Pennywell Shopping Centre will be removed on Monday 22 October 2012.

I have been in contact with the local office who are notifying the community through Twitter and I will arrange for notices to be put up either this evening or tomorrow morning along with hand deliver letters to the local shops.

The contractor will be on site all day but access to and from the shops will be available all day and care will be taken to keep disruption to a minimum.

Apologies for the short timescale of notifying you of this however I am keen to have this work complete as soon as possible and have managed to negotiate with the contractor to get on site now rather than risk delays as we head into the winter months.”

Despite the delay locals were delighted to see workmen taking down the screens.

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