

# press release



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## Work Starts on Church Walk Demolition Next Week

The regeneration of Denny Town Centre will reach an important milestone with work commencing Monday 15th August on the demolition of part of the Church Walk Blocks. Local company Central Demolition Ltd have been appointed by Falkirk Council to pull down two of the four blocks earmarked for demolition as part of the regeneration plans for Denny town centre. Under the contract each block will take 12 weeks to be fully completed.

The first phase of the demolition work is at Block A opposite the Post Office. Part of the block will be retained to enable two traders to continue operating from their premises whilst the regeneration masterplan for the town centre is finalised. Thereafter in January, the contractor will commence demolition of Block D opposite St Alexander's Roman Catholic Church, again taking 12 weeks to complete.

Members of the Community Council, retailers and local schools have been advised of the disruption involved in the works and alternative safe pedestrian routes have been planned.

During each phase of demolition it will be necessary to close Davies Row for approximately six weeks to comply with statutory safety regulations. Temporary arrangements to give continued access for cars, taxis, retailer deliveries and pedestrian access to Davies Row car park, retailer service areas and Broompark Community Centre will be put in place.

The first temporary closure to vehicles of Davies Row at Duke Street will be effective 19th September for six weeks.

Cllr Craig Martin, Leader of Falkirk Council said: 'It has been a long wait for the town but we are pleased that the local community has persevered and can now see the start of the real work to transform the centre into a modern and attractive location.'

'There will be some disruption to traffic in and around the Duke Street and Davies Row areas and but we believe that this temporary arrangement will be worth it in the longer term. We have been liaising with the local schools to ensure safe routes to schools are maintained.'

A town centre regeneration office staffed by Falkirk Council Economic Development Officers will be open at 97 Church Walk each Tuesday morning for Denny residents and Business to obtain further information about regeneration activity progress for the town centre.

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