

Saltire Facilities Management provides temporary homes for those fleeing Ukraine war

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<u>Saltire Facilities Management</u> has been awarded a contract by North Lanarkshire Council to provide electrical services in 200 homes in Coatbridge and Wishaw.

On completion of the refurbishment of these 200 homes, Ukrainian families will be able to move out of hotel accommodation, and make themselves at home in North Lanarkshire until they are able to safely return to their home country.

The towers in Coatbridge and Wishaw had been earmarked for demolition as part of North Lanarkshire Council's strategy to demolish residential towers and replace them with new and different residences. With the war in Ukraine causing a refugee crisis this was reassessed, and they have since been reinstated as homes which will be fully refurbished to welcome people escaping the violence over the next few weeks.

Saltire's Electrical Division will be installing interlinked smoke alarms, new electric heating systems, and new hot water throughout the properties.

Councillor Jorden Linden, leader of North Lanarkshire Council, said "Across Scotland, so many have welcomed Ukrainian people into their homes and communities, and I am proud that we can play a leading role in the national effort by providing a large number of homes here in North Lanarkshire.

"I know that the people of North Lanarkshire will welcome those who face such an uncertain time with their usual warmth and generosity, and I am pleased that we can move quickly to assist.

Managing Director of Saltire Facilities Management Alan Murray, commented "Saltire is a key employer in



North Lanarkshire, and we have very close ties with the <u>community</u>. Our Electrical <u>Division</u> is really pleased to play a part in bringing these homes temporarily back to life, and we're delighted to be working ever more closely with our key client, North Lanarkshire Council, on this important project."