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# DEMOLITION ZONE

**WORK HAS BEGUN TO TEAR DOWN  
TEANA SANSON'S UNIT BLOCK – EVEN  
THOUGH SHE'S STILL LIVING IN IT**



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A STOP work order has been issued after a demolition team moved in yesterday afternoon and began taking apart a block of Coolium flats still occupied by a ground floor tenant.

A spokesperson for Workplace Health and Safety Queensland said the matter was under investigation.

"We are taking this matter very seriously and will continue inquiries," the spokesperson said.

"As this is now under investigation, WHSQ can't make any further comment."

Teana Sanson, who has lived in the ocean-view building on David Low Way for the past five and a half years, has been left

rattled by the work that included removal of asbestos material from the upstairs of the premises which was then dropped into a skip placed outside her bedroom window.

Ms Sanson was on April 5 issued an FI2 Notice to leave which allowed her until June 6 to vacate the premises recently purchased for redevelopment.

The buildings behind and beside her flat have been demolished.

Yesterday at about 3pm workers dressed in asbestos safety suits began demolishing the

upstairs floor of the block.

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UNDER INVESTIGATION: Demolition crews tear down a unit block in Coolum still occupied by a ground floor tenant.

PHOTO: CHE CHAPMAN

## Woman left stranded in demolition site

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Building site tape was placed in the doorway access to her laundry from her kitchen.

Ms Sanson said she was ordered to get her washing out of the room and to not place them on the clothes line because of the danger of 0 contamination by asbestos fibres.

She said she was told to not go outside and to keep her back door shut.

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The Sunshine Coast Community Legal Service has been negotiating with the project's developers for the past two weeks because of the potential impact of asbestos removal from the buildings around the unit.

Julian Porter of the service said he had thought agreement had been reached with Paul Hercus,

a representative of the developer Coolum Terrace Holdings, for Ms Sanson to vacate this Saturday instead of June 5 with compensation of \$2100 to assist the relocation.

Mr Hercus told the Sunshine Coast Daily he could not comment.

"I don't know anything about it," he said. "I need to

check the files."

Coolum police and building certifier Stewart Magill, who authorised the demolition work, both visited the site Friday afternoon.

Mr Magill said when he was told what was happening he inspected the site as soon as possible and issued a verbal instruction to stop work.

"I will issue the appropriate notices to stop

work until the time the premises are vacated," he said.

"They should not have carried out work while people were in the building."

Ms Sanson said she had been reduced to tears by the noise and smell of the work and left coughing.

Documents show Ms Sanson had been given until the completion of the statutory notice (June 6) to vacate the premises.