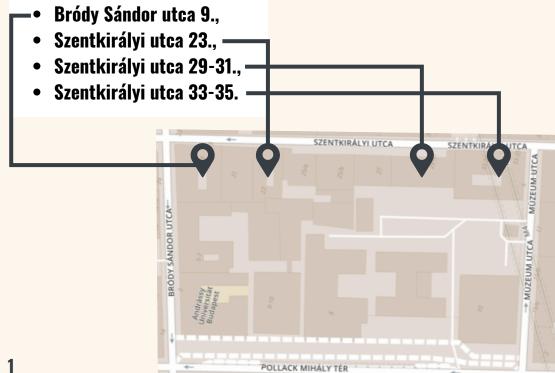


# **INFORMATION** ON THE STRUCTURAL ANALYSIS CARRIED OUT BY THE MUNICIPALITY OF JÓZSEFVÁROS

## Why and where does the municipality carry outstructural tests?

The Hungarian state is building the new campus of the Pázmány Péter Catholic University on the former site of the Hungarian Radio as a priority government investment on the order of the Hungarian Catholic Bishops' Conference. Demolition works started on 2 September 2024. Neither the residents concerned nor the municipality have been informed about the demolition, the expected changes in traffic organisation in the area, the timing and method of the works, and the security measures affecting the surrounding buildings.

In order to represent the interests of the residents, the Municipality of Józsefváros has ordered a structural analysis of the most affected buildings and apartments by the Budapest University of Technology:



The demolition company (WHB Zrt.) is also obliged to carry out a preliminary condition survey in the immediate surroundings of the project, in the houses and apartments. The municipality ordered the inspections independently of this.

The purpose of the studies commissioned by the municipality is to record the current condition of the buildings from a structural point of view, to monitor the changes in the condition of the buildings during the construction of the campus and to understand the expected changes in the buildings from the extension. In the case of the building at Szentkirályi utca 29-31, further investigations are also required in relation to the demolition of the neighbouring building, as the building to be demolished at Szentkirály utca 27 was, to the best of our knowledge, built in one phase and as one structure with the remaining building at 29-31.



The investigations will be carried out by staff of the Budapest University of Technology, who will be able to prove their credentials.

During the inspection, the experts will visit the buildings and common areas one apartment at a time, take notes and photographs of visible structural defects and damage and write a brief assessment of each building. For the building at Szentkirályi utca 29-31, the inspections are based on existing floor plans and a walk-through of the building, with small-scale excavations to clarify missing information where necessary. The surveyors will attempt to record the condition of the apartments, with the cooperation of the residents, by prior appointment.

# You can book an appointment for a visit to the apartment here: jozsefvaros.hu/go/allekonysag\_idopont

You can book an appointment by phone: +36 1/459-2100 +36 80/277-256

You can book an appointment in person: Customer Service Office 1082 Budapest, Baross u. 66–68.



#### You can also request a condition survey if:

- you have a business on your property
- you live in the property as a tenant
- you are carrying out renovations

### If you are a tenant requesting a condition survey, please inform the landlord of the survey.

The in-home assessment will take up to **half an hour**. No pictures taken inside the apartments during the inspection will be passed on to third parties.

#### What happens after the inspection?

The summary document of the condition survey for each apartment will be sent to the owners electronically by the Municipality of Józsefváros if they provide their email address when booking the appointment or when the survey is carried out.

What is currently happening with the Pázmány campus project?

Although demolition work has started, the legality of the underlying demolition permit is disputed. The permit issued by the government authority has been challenged by the municipality and the affected residents in an administrative lawsuit. The case is still pending.

In spring 2024, the Municipality of Józsefváros launched a public consultation on the project. The process itself and results of which can be found here: jozsefvaros.hu/go/ppke\_opinion\_summary



74% of people living in Palotanegyed are against or only partially in favour of the project. Residents reject the partial demolition of the radio building on Bródy Sándor utca and the demolition of the Stúdiópalota and Szentkirályi utca properties. Most of them would support the use of the buildings after renovation. In addition, the respondents recommend the abandonment of the dormitory and sports hall functions.

There was also a demand from residents to know the results of detailed soil tests prior to demolition, to review the changes in the traffic flow in the surrounding streets, especially with regard to the new underground car park entrances from Bródy and Szentkirályi utca, and to keep the investor directly and constantly informed about the process.

On 19 June 2024, the results of the public consultation were presented by the Municipality of Józsefváros to the Ministry of Construction and Transport, which is responsible for the implementation of the project. The municipality then drew up a package of proposals and sent it to the State Secretary for Architecture, Lánszki Regő, on 9 July 2024.

The package of proposals is available here:

#### jozsefvaros.hu/go/ppke\_javaslat



The municipality has not yet received any meaningful feedback on the amendments proposed by the public.



#### Do you have a question?

If you have any questions **about the structural test**, please contact the Mayor's Office, Urban Planning Office. **Chief Architect - Urban Planning Office Address:** 1082 Budapest, Baross utca 63-67. **Email:** foepitesz@jozsefvaros.hu **Phone:** +36 1/459-2157 +36 20/335-7449 (on Fridays!)

If you have any questions **about the public consultation**, please contact the Office of Community Participation. **Office of Community Participation Address:** 1082 Budapest, Baross utca 63-67 **Email:** reszvetel@jozsefvaros.hu **Phone:** +36 1/459-2139 +36 20/ 258-6713 (on Fridays!)

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