

From: Judith Blakeman [mailto: [REDACTED]]
Sent: 20 March 2017 13:24
To: Edward Daffarn; 'William Thompson'
Subject: Gas Pipes

Dear Edward and Willie

I have written to the TMO to ask for an audit of the siting of these pipes by the Fire Brigade so that residents can be re-assured that this is not dangerous – or that works will be undertaken if they are not safely sited.

In the meantime, this is a response I received when I followed up the earlier issues raised on the Grenfell Action Group blog – although this dates from before the works undertaken by the National Grid.

Kind regards

Judith

From: Janice Wray [mailto:jwray@kctmo.org.uk]
Sent: 24 November 2016 08:51
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: Robert Black; Barbara Matthews
Subject: FW: Grenfell Tower (again!)

Dear Councillor Blakeman,

Robert has asked me to respond to your e-mail highlighting fire safety issues raised by Mr Daffarn in his blog.

With regard to fire procedures in Grenfell Tower, I can confirm that these were included in newsletters to the block and they are also documented on our website. Further, we do publish regular fire safety articles in “The Link” magazine to all residents and we write to all new tenants to outline the fire strategy for their block, the procedure to follow in the event of a fire in their flat and also a fire elsewhere in their block and advise them of the London Fire Brigade’s (LFB) free Home Fire Safety Visit and how to access this. Additionally, I can advise that we are currently considering a programme of installation of Fire Action Notices – similar to those now installed at Adair and Hazlewood Towers – across all blocks. There has been a difference of opinion amongst London Fire Brigade officers on the value of fitting these notices within a block with a “stay put” fire strategy, however, we are keen to be proactive about this and I can confirm that we will be proceeding with the fitting of these notices at Grenfell Tower. It is likely that this will be completed within the next two weeks.

I would emphasise that, despite extensive discussions with the LFB and other fire professionals including our Fire Consultant and Senior Consultants from specialist fire engineering companies in relation to Grenfell Tower at no point has the need to change the stay put strategy even been raised. Further, the LFB operational crews continue to be very proactive about undertaking regular familiarisation visits to this block and the other blocks on this estate and remain content with the arrangements in place.

I can confirm that Adair Tower was regularly audited by the LFB - most recent in the month before the fire took place - and no recommendations were made in relation to the design of either staircase or the lift lobbies. Requirements in relation to these areas were included in

the Enforcement Notices as it was only following the fire that the LFB recommended that changes to the Building's original design were required.

I hope this is helpful but please let me know if I can be of further assistance

Regards

Janice Wray

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