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From: DEWIS, BEN [/O=LONDON FIRE AND CIVIL DEFENCE AUTHORITY/OU=BRIGADE HQ/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=DEWISB]
Sent: 24/04/2017 08:12:25
To: 'Edward Daffarn' [REDACTED]
Subject: RE: Fire in Hazelwood Tower 2015

Dear Edward,

Thank you for drawing to our attention the out of date information on the public register. This has been passed to our admin team to update.

The works at Hazelwood Tower were completed and the register will be updated to reflect this.

It is the responsibility of KCTMO to carry out a suitable and sufficient Fire Risk Assessment for their buildings which should take account of all fire safety measures within the building, it is not the responsibility of the LFB to carry out Fire Risk Assessments.

If you would like to request information in relation to our correspondence with the TMO then you will need to put a specific Freedom of Information Request into the Information Management Team.

Kind regards,

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From: Edward Daffarn [REDACTED]
Sent: 19 April 2017 23:57
To: DEWIS, BEN
Subject: Re: Fire in Hazelwood Tower 2015

Dear Mr Dewis

Following tonight's fire in Trellick Tower I would like to know what the outcome of the following public notice order served on the KCTMO for a fire that occurred in a tower block in late 2015 was?

http://www.london-fire.gov.uk/notice_detail.asp?id=257447

It appears the TMO had until October 2016 to complete remedial works and I would have expected that these should have been completed by now. From the LFB records available online it is not clear what the outcome of the public notice order has been.

In relation to the above matter, I was concerned to read an email sent to our local labour Councillor from the KCTMO that seemed to insinuate that the LFB was at fault for not advising our landlord about safety issues at Adair Tower until after the fire had taken place.

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,

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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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TMO Health, Safety & Facilities Manager

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I find this statement from Janice Wray at the KCTMO very surprising as I was under the impression that an earlier fire that occurred in Hazelwood Tower (Adair Tower's twin block) some years ago had led the LFB to issue extensive recommendations re fire safety standards as reported in the Grenfell Action Group blog of November 20th 2016:

"What is shocking is that a decade ago a fatality occurred due to a fire at Hazelwood Tower and the Fire Investigation Team ordered that the grills on the fire escape staircase be covered over. This never happened and it is believed that the uncovered grills at Adair House (Hazelwood Tower's twin block) acted like a chimney and were responsible for the accelerated spread of the fire and smoke damage".

I would be very grateful if you could confirm that the KCTMO statement re Adair Tower fire is accurate and update me on the progress of the Public Notice regarding Hazelwood Tower.

I shall also be keeping a keen eye on the LFB investigations into the Trellick Tower fire this evening and whether the KCTMO have adequate fire safety provisions in place.

Kind regards,

Edward Daffarn

Grenfell Action Group