

Subject: RE: Grenfell Tower

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Date: Thu, 04 Sep 2014 09:52:08 +0100

To: Janice Wray <jwray@kctmo.org.uk>

Hi Janice,

Mr Daffarn has not had any indication that we are unhappy. When he emails I simply thank him for raising a concern with me and that I will look into the matter. I trust you have everything under control so just pass his concern onto you without needing to carry out any inspection.

Is this helpful?

Thanks,

Ben

Ben Dewis

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From: Janice Wray [<mailto:jwray@kctmo.org.uk>]
Sent: 08 July 2014 17:12
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Cc: Claire Williams; Adrian Bowman
Subject: FW: Grenfell Tower - DRAFT response to LFB

Hi Ben

Thank you for your e-mail. I have spoken to my colleague, Claire Williams, Project Manager for the work at Grenfell Tower and we would advise as follows –

- There has been no change in the fire strategy at the block, which is 'stay put'. Tenants' flat doors were renewed with FD30s in the last 2 years and our Fire Risk Assessor has confirmed that the leaseholders' doors are nominally fire rated. Please see below for the action proposed to remind residents of this strategy.
- A Newsletter is being sent to all Grenfell Residents on a regular basis with updates on the works and I can confirm that the July Newsletter - which is currently being drafted - includes confirmation of the blocks Stay Put fire evacuation strategy, what this means for the residents and the intention to maintain this for the duration of the work
- The principal contractor maintains a noticeboard in the lobby of the block where a copy of the Newsletter plus further information on fire safety will be posted
- All contractors have also been briefed on the evacuation strategy at this block
- One of the planning conditions is that a Construction Management Traffic Plan had to be submitted prior to start on site. This is with the RBKC planners, and we are awaiting discharge of this condition.
- The local Station Manager at North Kensington, Dan Hallissey, attends the 2-monthly liaison meetings between the TMO and the LFB and my colleague, Claire has also been attending so that local operational crews are updated on the situation at Grenfell Tower
- The LFB undertook a familiarisation exercise at Grenfell Tower in June last year (when 6 tenders were in attendance) and since then, whilst construction on the school and leisure cion to inform them of changes to access points and riser access. The local station are making arrangements to carryout a familiarisation visit for local crews. Unfortunately, it would appear the same courtesy has not been given to the residents to update them on their Emergency Procedures. Could I ask what the measures being taken in regard to Fire Safety at the premises are during the refurbishment works.

Regards,

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