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Subject: RE: Grenfell Tower refurbishment -mission unaccomplished by the KCTMO and their appointed Contractor Rydon
Attachments: Outstanding Issues Matrix May 2016 (August 16).pdf

Dear Shah and Tunde

Thank you for your kind words.

The ward councillors are continuing to work with the Grenfell Compact and residents of the Tower. We have together drafted the attached matrix of a number of outstanding problems, which includes the TMO's initial responses to them.

I have taken the liberty of updating the comprehensive list of recipients of your e-mail, since some are no longer in post.

Kind regards.

Cllr Judith Blakeman

From: Grenfell Tower Leaseholder's Association [mailto:grenfellleaseholdersassociation@hotmail.co.uk]
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Subject: Grenfell Tower refurbishment –mission unaccomplished by the KCTMO and their appointed Contractor Rydon

Dear Cllr Judith Blakeman,

We hope this email find you well.

Please accept our heartfelt gratitude especially to you and rest of the councillors at north Kensington including Cllr Coleridge (former cabinet member of housing at RBKC) and Ms Laura Johnson the director of Housing at RBKC for their contribution and involvement to create long lasting legacy for the Lancaster Green. You and the Councillor Coleridge were the main architect and worked tirelessly to see it through. We, very much appreciate for your memorable contribution to our local community. Our heartfelt thanks also goes to Cllr Rock-feilding-Mellen, Cllr Paget Brown, the Leader of the council and the Head of KCTMO, the chief executive of KCTMO Mr Robert Black and Peter Maddison and others at KCTMO to made nearly successful project.

The landscape at Lancaster green has change forever for the better including Grenfell Tower apart from few issues and concerns left undone. We strongly believe that the whole regeneration project more like mission unaccomplished. For the benefit of the double, we also believe that this may not be intentional by the KCTMO/RBKC/RYDON.

The following issues and concerns are:

Staircases:

Please find attached some pictures of the staircase at Grenfell Tower. How on earth KCTMO/RBKC invested £10M for improvement of Grenfell Tower and left the staircase like this, it is unbelievable, unprofessional and unacceptable. When they spent £1m on consultancy fees along and it does not make sense. It would only takes few litres of paint to paint the whole staircase with minimum afford but welcoming, fruitful outcome.

Concierge and Security Guard at Grenfell Tower:

We the residents are well aware of the fact that we voted to remove the concierge for the EMB/KCTMO not the security guard because for the simple reason it was nothing to do with GT but so call to serve the EMB (Estate management board). We the resident of Grenfell Tower couldn't make sense as to why the mirror still hanging (call EMB) inside the two lift.

Please find attached bill to demonstrate the residents were paying £44K a year the contribution towards the concierge/security of the former EMB/KCTMO when EMB/KCTMO were based at Grenfell. Its make sense to preserve the legacy and to protect the £10m investment from the vandalisms and anti-social elements at Grenfell Tower. The KCTMO **MUST** provide the security guards at Grenfell tower if they could provide for the former EMB (Estate management Board). As you can see the cost were recharges to the residents and residents of Grenfell Tower never benefited from the so called security guard because it was never meant for the Resident of Grenfell Tower in the first place?

Two lifts at Grenfell Tower and simple cause for regular breakdown and malfunction.

As you are well aware of the fact only 2005 the two lift were replaced after 40 years of services of the old lifts for the cost of over 700K. The useful life for the two lifts MUST be at least 40 years as compare with previous replacement of two lifts. We strongly suggesting that without any room for refuting our genuine issues and concerns and agreed by every residents of Grenfell Tower that, main cause of the breakdown and malfunction are over uses and misuses of the Lifts during refurbishment of Grenfell Tower by the KCTMO's appointed contractor Rydon. We request you, the KCTMO/RBKC to visit and investigate the state of the two lifts. The new lifts were replaced only over 10 years ago in 2005, BUT malfunctioning like 40 years old. It appears that the two lift depreciated to its residual value to zero within 10 years unless the KCTMO takes drastic action to recondition (refurbish) the two lift immediately to extend its useful life. If KCTMO reluctant to take action, there is a high chance they may have to replace the two lifts within

near future and it may cost them at least estimated cost £1.5m. Not only that, at the moment, it's costing the residents lots of money for the maintenances of the two lifts and let along the untold inconvenience has to go through the residents of GT.

Fire Drill at Grenfell Tower:

As you may know few years back there was a fire at Grenfell Tower and there were some kind of negligence by the managing Agent the KCTMO and they are all documented. Also as you may know that, there is an inconsistency between London fire Brigade report and the Fire Risk Assessment for Grenfell Tower by Carl Stoke on the 20th November 2012 in relation to the incident dated 30.04.2010. And since then you have organised one fire drill yourself NOT the KCTMO and we strongly believe that one is due NOW.

As you were fully involved, only few years ago in relation to the catastrophic power surges at Grenfell Tower, it could easily escalated to serious fire in the building. We, the resident of GT, were very fortunate enough on this occasion that wasn't the case **BUT** left permanent scare and financial losses for the residents of Grenfell Tower.

Please kindly see attached link the blaze at shepherds' bush tower block

https://www.theguardian.com/uk-news/2016/aug/19/fire-crews-tackle-blaze-at-shepherds-bush-tower-block-london

It is paramount important that, KCTMO/RBKC look into this as a matter urgency and you as our local councillor, could you please kindly find out what went wrong. We also request you to get all the answer and we expect KCTMO/RBKC to take full responsibility for the above mention issues and concerns.

We wait to hear from you and the KCTMO/RBKC urgently.

Best wishes

Chair and the vice chair of Grenfell Tower leaseholders Association

Shah Ahmed and Tunde Awoderu