

Sheffield Tower Block update

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Grenfell Tower Block



What we know:

- 24-storey tower block, managed by TMO
- Single central staircase –UK regulations do not require a second staircase
- Gas – boilers installed
- Reynobond (Composite aluminum material) rain-screen cladding with Celotex thermal insulation installed in 2015/16
- The fire was not contained
- Over 80 fatalities, likely to increase, 70 injured

What we don't know:

- Why the fire took hold and could not be extinguished
- What caused the fire to accelerate so quickly
- What the Fire Risk Assessments commissioned by the TMO said
- If the recommendations were carried out
- How the block was managed on a day to day basis
- How the Enquiry will be undertaken and timescale for publication of findings & recommendations

Housing - High Rise Tower Blocks

- 24 Tower Blocks, all externally clad, 14 were completed over 15 years ago
- 3 clad in brick, 21 rain-screen cladding
- 1 Tower Block (Hanover) has failed the new Government test on one element of the cladding
- 20 Tower Blocks have solid Aluminum metal cladding (external test to finally confirm)
- All 24 tower blocks have benefitted from extensive fire stopping / compartmental works in 2010
- All 24 tower blocks have external fire breaks and fire retardant insulation
- 1 tower block has a sprinkler system installed (sheltered block)
- All blocks have Fire Risk Assessments in place
- Stay Put Policy in place for all blocks, as agreed with SYFRS
- **Commitment made to install sprinklers in all Tower Blocks as further re-assurance to tenants**

Hanover Tower Block



- Refurbished 2012
- 126 flats, single staircase
- 3 part cladding system installed
- Fire stopping measures in block (independent fire safety quality check 2010)
- SYFRS FRA completed to ensure tenant safety
- Contractor led design and build, clarifying why composite material was installed to the outer leaf
- Hanover tower block material – widely used in UK
- Failed new BRE test – 25 June, 2017
- Tenant and Leaseholder meetings undertaken
- Cladding being removed – approx. 6 weeks
- 24/7 security in place whilst cladding is removed
- Offer of temporary rehousing confirmed
- Consultation to take place to choose new cladding for block

City High Rise Blocks – stock take

- All tenants and their safety regardless of tenure is a priority for the city
- Collecting all information from public and private sector to create baseline data
- Single city database with SYFRS in development
- Legacy of issues across UK
- First PRS block and Hospital building has failed the new Government test
- Seeking Government funding to address current actions & install additional protection
- Regular updates provided to Government

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