

<b>LONDON BOROUGH OF CAMDEN</b>	<b>WARDS:</b> All
<b>REPORT TITLE:</b> Work Programme and Action Tracker	
<b>REPORT OF:</b> Director of Property Management	
<b>FOR SUBMISSION TO:</b> Housing & Fire Safety Advisory Panel	<b>DATE:</b> 29 January 2025
<p><b>SUMMARY OF REPORT:</b> This report provides an update on the intended work programme for the Panel and an update on actions requested at previous meetings.</p> <p><b>Local Government Act 1972 – Access to information</b> No documents that require listing were used in the preparation of this report.</p> <p><b>Contact Officer:</b> Melissa Dillon, Resident Safety Engagement &amp; Governance Lead. Tel: 0207 974 3100 <a href="mailto:melissa.dillon@camden.gov.uk">melissa.dillon@camden.gov.uk</a></p>	
<p><b>RECOMMENDATIONS:</b></p> <p>The Panel is asked:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) To review the work programme for the 2025 and consider if they would like add anything to the programme set out in Appendix A.</li> <li>(ii) To note the action tracker in Appendix B</li> </ul>	

Signed:



Director of Property Management

Date: 17 January 2025

## **1. INTRODUCTION**

- 1.1 The current work plan for the Housing & Fire Safety Advisory Panel (HFSAP) is attached to this report as Appendix A. The Panel is invited to suggest future items or any amendments they would like to make to the programme.

## **2.0 REPORTS TO FUTURE MEETINGS**

- 2.1 The remaining three formal 2025 quarterly meetings of the Panel are programmed for:

- Spring 23<sup>rd</sup> April 2025
- Summer 2025 date to be confirmed
- Autumn 2025 date to be confirmed

- 2.3 Panel Members are invited to consider what they would like to add to the 2025 work programme for the remaining quarterly meetings of the year. A report on the response of the Government to the recommendations of the Phase 2 Grenfell Inquiry report remains to be programmed pending a statement from ministers.

## **3.0 ACTION TRACKER**

- 3.1 An update on actions arising from the October 2024 meeting of the Panel is attached as Appendix B.

## **4.0 COMMENTS OF THE BOROUGH SOLICITOR**

- 4.1 Legal Services have been consulted in the preparation of the report and have no specific comments,

## **5.0 COMMENTS OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF CORPORATE SERVICES**

- 5.1 The purpose of this report is to provide an update on work programme of the Panel and to provide an update on actions requested at previous meetings. There are currently no financial implications arising from this report.

## **6.0 ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS**

- 6.1 There are none.

**ENDS**

## **APPENDIX A: WORK PLAN**

### **29th January 2025**

Grenfell Inquiry Phase 2 report and recommendations – Update  
Building Safety Case information  
Leasehold Property Access Options  
Annual report on work of the Panel  
Compliance performance report (Standing item)

### **23rd April 2025**

LFB Annual Report  
Compliance performance report (Standing item)  
Work Programme

### **Summer 2025**

Resident/TRA training  
Terms of Reference Review  
Compliance performance report (Standing item)

### **Autumn 2025**

Annual Fire & Building Safety Charter report  
2024/25 Compliance performance report (Standing item)

### **Yet to be Programmed**

Grenfell Inquiry Phase 2 report – Government response  
Compartmentation work in commercial premises

ENDS

## APPENDIX B: HOUSING AND FIRE SAFETY ADVISORY PANEL - ACTION TRACKER (October 2024)

Meeting	Item	Action	Action by	Status
22/10/24	Performance Compliance Q1	Officers looking at the outcome of a recent court ruling regarding access to see if it could be applied generally or was just case specific. The Council was otherwise seeking injunctions using revised processes agreed with legal services.	<b>Director of Property Management (MD)</b>	Legal advice is that courts will judge each access application on its merit and will require the Council to evidence that reasonable opportunities to give access have been offered to resident for injunctions to be granted. The recent court ruling does provide a precedent for a wider range of cases, but the access process has to be followed in order for the Council to make an application to court.
		Officers would also look into the performance of its insurance company's lift contractor regarding the health and safety hazard access issues to see if the access rate could be improved.	<b>Director of Property Management (SB)</b>	Zurich have been carrying out inspections for LBC lifts since 2012. The most recent contract was let in 2022. Officers will bring more information about lifts access performance to the Panel's January meeting.
		Officers were putting in place better record management process regarding gas safety checks and decommissioning regarding void properties. An action plan seeking to improve the position on gas compliance issue in relation to voids was in place and officers would provide details of the delivery timeline.	<b>Director of Property Management (SB)</b>	The action plan on Voids is targeting November 2024 to resolve internal safety check processes. It is expected that it will probably take until January 2025 to complete any gas inspections that arise.

		Officers would provide further information regarding the types of property within the 8 FRAs still outstanding for High Rise Buildings.	<b>Director of Property Management (SB)</b>	An update will be issued to panel members ahead of the meeting.
22/10/24	BS9997 – Fire Risk Management Audit	The Council had undertaken some type 4 surveys to establish the compartmentation between commercial properties and tenants' homes, so they could be improved if necessary. Officers would provide an update on the progress of this work in the future.	<b>Director of Property Management (Steve Boulton)</b>	Item to be considered for the work programme.
22/10/24	Fire and Building Charter report	Officers would consider whether there should be a 6 <sup>th</sup> Charter Commitment regarding accountability along with making the process of reporting a fire safety concern easier and not through the Council's Complaints portal.	<b>Director of Property Management (MD)</b>	Suggested amendments to the Resident Safety Charter will be submitted to the Panel in the planned report scheduled for Autumn 2025 if not before.