

Leasehold Knowledge Partnership

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Dear Sebastian, Martin,

Inquiry into fire safety in high rise blocks in Wales

The Equality, Local Government and Communities Committee of the National Assembly for Wales is undertaking an inquiry into fire safety in high rise blocks in Wales. Phase one of the inquiry considered the response of social landlords. More information about this work can be found on our [webpage](#). Phase two of the inquiry will consider issues in the private sector. The terms of reference are:

- How has the private sector responded to concerns about fire safety in high rise residential blocks?
- What is the extent of remedial work that needs to be done to meet fire safety standards in Wales, and what arrangements are in place to cover the costs?
- How are leaseholders/residents in Wales being informed about recent developments and reassured about fire safety measures in their block? More broadly, to what extent are residents' views about fire safety being listened to and addressed.
- What, if any, additional practical or financial support is needed from the Welsh or UK Governments to help ensure high rise blocks are safe.



The Committee would welcome the views of the Leasehold Knowledge Partnership on any of the terms of reference, and in particular possible solutions for leaseholders who are potentially facing substantial bills to remove and replace unsafe cladding.

The Committee plans to start taking oral evidence on 27 September 2018 so it would be helpful to have your views before that date.

If you want any more information about this, or the inquiry, please contact the Committee Clerk, Naomi Stocks on either 0300 200 6222 or naomi.stocks@assembly.wales

Yours sincerely



John Griffiths AM
Chair

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We welcome correspondence in Welsh or English.

