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All residents at Pankhurst Avenue

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Dear Resident

UPDATE ON THE INVESTIGATION INTO EXTERNAL CLADDING AT PANKHURST AVENUE

We are writing to give you an update on the recent investigation into cladding material used at Pankhurst Avenue. We appreciate that this process is taking some time and are grateful to all residents for their patience while we fully investigate and ensure the continuing safety of the people who live here.

After a second inspection with relevant industry experts, there are still some unanswered questions regarding the type and extent of mitigation required. We have found that there are some issues with some of the external materials used and there is evidence of missing cavity barriers. This would mean an EWS1 form if completed would be given a rating requiring some mitigation.

We will now arrange for further opening-up works with the experts to confirm the extent of the issues we have found so far. We will also invite the original building contractor to attend this meeting, with a view to setting out what has been found, particularly regarding the breaches of the contract and building regulations.

We will update you further after this visit. Although we anticipate some remediation works will be required, at this time there are no changes required to the existing safety measures that are in place, and our current evacuation policy has not altered. Your safety is paramount, and we will review our processes on an ongoing basis as more information is obtained.

Yours sincerely,

Tom Jones

Head of Building Safety