



FIRE SAFETY STATEMENT OF INTENTION

We recognise and accept our duty to provide and maintain a safe and healthy work environment for our staff, partners, and the public and others affected by our activities.

As a landlord, we will provide buildings that are safe throughout their lifecycle make sure that, where third parties provide housing on our behalf, it too is safe.

The Council is directly responsible for over 800 corporate buildings and provides housing to more than 12000 tenancies and over 4800 leaseholders. The housing portfolio is made up of 2860 blocks of which 24 are 10 storeys and over. In addition, LBHF commissions a portfolio of supported housing and has over 1400 households living in temporary accommodation.

Elected Members and the Senior Management Team recognise the need to achieve stringent standards to managing fire safety and that is an on-going process adapting to public concerns, technical progress, regulatory changes and learning from future incidents.

We will provide effective strategic leadership on local fire safety. We will make sure we provide sufficient resources to assist managers in their duty and a trained and skilled workforce.

Our policy is to control risks 'so far as is reasonably practicable', respond to changing demands and to sustain positive attitudes and behaviour towards fire safety throughout our organisation. We will work to improve fire safety and the layers of protection in our buildings and recognise the special status of High Rise Residential Buildings.

This document sets out the system and organisational arrangements for the management of fire safety within the Council. It is important that we all adhere to it and remember that the most powerful message we can send is through our own behaviour.

Leader of the Council

Chief Executive

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