

## **High Risk Residential Building Inspection Programme Strategy**

### **1. Introduction:**

In 2020, the High-risk Residential Building Inspection Programme (HRRBIP) was established to undertake a series of assessments of identified buildings, provide to an evidence-based risk profile for each building utilising inspections and data gathering.

The team completed inspections of 371 Highrise buildings funded by Protection Uplift grant from the Home Office, with the specific aim of understanding, confirming and if necessary, enforcing the required fire safety standards in our highest risk residential buildings.

This strategy continues to support the ongoing post Grenfell Tragedy regulatory activity with the aim of supporting remediation of Non-compliant External Wall Systems (EWS) and addressing other deficiencies. This is achieved through a programme of reinspection and providing ongoing support for buildings that have temporary measures in place.

In addition, this year we will start a programme of inspecting Residential Care Premise. The purpose of this programme to ensure compliance of our highest risk buildings based on occupancy. This programme will assist in data gathering to influence future risk-based strategies incorporating significant learning from previous incidents that resulted in loss of life.

This Strategy supports the HIWFRS Safety Plan objectives for Our Communities including:

- We undertake inspections of buildings based on risk
- High-rise buildings are a priority
- We work with our partners to deliver shared outcomes

### **2. High rise building reinspection's**

Inspectors will continue and work with building owners and management companies in their geographical area to:

- Remove Waking Watches in favour of temporary alarm systems
- Remediate issues with the External Wall Systems
- Address other Fire Safety Deficiencies to buildings
- Provide advice on High Rise building Safety, including Grenfell Tower Recommendations
- Support the communication of risk information to operational crews (SSRI, 7.2d, control notifications)
- Work towards building safety case reports as required by the HSE Building Safety Regulator

In addition, inspectors will maintain relationships with their Local Authority Partners to ensure that building information is shared and joint inspections are carried out whenever possible.

### **3. Residential Care Premises:**

We have produced a list of Residential care premises from CFRMIS records. Using a blend of Desktop Triage and Physical Audit inspectors will carryout regulatory activity and gather risk information on buildings. The target for inspections as stated in the Protection delivery Strategy is:

- 2 per inspector per week – Level 4 Diploma Qualified
- 1 per inspector per week (shadowed) – Level Certificate Qualified

NOTE: No inspections of HRRB's are to be carried out by Level 3 Qualified Inspectors - Shadowing and development from competent inspectors only.

Outcomes and data gathered will be recorded on the HRRBIP Residential care Microsoft List as well as on CFRMIS in the usual manner. This will support future intelligence-based inspections. Outcomes will be shared with CQC and we will work with them to share risk information.

### **4. Hub HRRBIP Liaison:**

The role of HRRBIP hub Liaison is a link between the strategy lead and the hubs.

**East** – [REDACTED]

**West** – [REDACTED]

**North** – [REDACTED]

**Central** – [REDACTED]

**IOW** – [REDACTED]

This role is to ensure a consistent approach to the HRRBIP work responsibilities include but not limited to:

- Coordinate the HRRBIP work in hubs
- Liaise with Local Authority Housing teams to share information
- Attend monthly HRRBIP strategy meetings
- Pass on information on HRRBIP guidance and changes to hub
- Upskill and support other inspectors to learn HRRBIP work



## 5. Future developments:

We will continue to provide advice and guidance to building owners and the Grenfell Tower Phases 1 recommendations and the Phase 2 recommendations, when published. We will actively adjust our inspection programme to meet changing needs as specified by the NFCC. This could include a further Building Risk Review and inspections of 11m to 18m HRRB's.

## 6. Useful Links:

HIWFRS Safety Plan - <https://hantsfire.sharepoint.com/sites/COM-CORP/Shared Documents/Forms/AllItems.aspx?id=%2Fsites%2FCOM-CORP%2FShared Documents%2FHIWFRS Safety Plan 2020-2025%2Epdf&parent=%2Fsites%2FCOM-CORP%2FShared Documents>

Our Website Page - [Building Risk Review - Hampshire & Isle of Wight Fire & Rescue Service, Official website of Hampshire & Isle of Wight Fire & Rescue Service \(hantsfire.gov.uk\)](https://www.hantsfire.gov.uk/building-risk-review)

HRRBIP guidance - [High-Rise Residential Buildings Inspection Programme \(HRRBIP\).pdf](#)

HRRBIP SharePoint - [010 High Rise Assurance](#)

HRRBIP Microsoft Teams site:

[https://teams.microsoft.com/l/team/19%3aB7TIZQLWKFBFjwEG7raQ32\\_oF8NCcmpQaZe1eeCUzgQ1%40thead.tacv2/conversations?groupId=2e7cc925-7894-41d6-9ff8-d39841bc8735&tenantId=25113e57-71ec-46db-8047-a1fa96b9b68d](https://teams.microsoft.com/l/team/19%3aB7TIZQLWKFBFjwEG7raQ32_oF8NCcmpQaZe1eeCUzgQ1%40thead.tacv2/conversations?groupId=2e7cc925-7894-41d6-9ff8-d39841bc8735&tenantId=25113e57-71ec-46db-8047-a1fa96b9b68d)

PAS 9980 - [PAS 9980:2022 Standard - Fire Risk Appraisal | BSI \(bsigroup.com\)](#)

CIEH guidance - [fire-safety-in-purpose-built-blocks-of-flats.pdf \(cieh.org\)](#)

Fire Safety Act - [Fire Safety Act 2021 \(legislation.gov.uk\)](#)

NFCC SEG - [Simultaneous evacuation guidance \(nationalfirechiefs.org.uk\)](#)

Grenfell Tower Recommendations - [Progress against the Grenfell Tower Inquiry Phase 1 Recommendations, September 2021 \(accessible\) - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](#)

HSE Safety Case Principles - [Safety case principles for high-rise residential buildings: Building safety reform – Early key messages \(hse.gov.uk\)](#)

HSE BSR - [Building Safety Regulator - Building safety - HSE](#)

BSB - [Building Safety Bill - Parliamentary Bills - UK Parliament](#)

Building Safety Fund - [Remediation of non-ACM buildings - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](#)

WWRF - [Waking Watch Relief Fund - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](#)

DLUHC webpage - [Department for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](#)

RICS Guidance - [Update to EWS1 form and RICS valuation guidance](#)

Grenfell Tower Phase 2 - [Homepage | Grenfell Tower Inquiry](#)

NFCC - [Higher Risk Accommodation \(nationalfirechiefs.org.uk\)](#)