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Introduction

Hello. I'm Anjni Patel, a civil servant from the Grenfell Tower site management team, and this is an update to provide you with information on the works that are happening at the site, and how to get in touch to ask us any questions you may have. Our contact details are at the bottom of each slide and also at the end of this update.

The future of Grenfell Tower

On the future of the of Grenfell Tower, we know how important and sensitive a decision will be and a decision has not yet been made. The government remains committed to supporting bereaved families, survivors and local residents and their work to determine a future memorial.

We have been having conversations with bereaved families, survivors and local residents to understand their views on the future of the tower. A community meeting where people could ask questions and share their views with the secretary of state was held last month. A summary of the meeting will be made available.

Sixth anniversary

As we approach the sixth anniversary of the Grenfell Tower tragedy, there will be community-led commemorations taking place.

We are working in support of the community, which may mean local residents see more people around the tower site as people visit to pay their respects.

Grenfell Tower will be illuminated in green on the 13th and 14th of June as in previous years.

Later this month, there will be a debate in the House of Commons to mark six years since the tragedy. The date will be confirmed soon. You can watch the debate online at www.parliamentlive.tv/Commons

Health and wellbeing

We know this time of year can be especially difficult for families.

If you would like to talk to someone, please call the Grenfell Wellbeing Service on [020 8637 6279](tel:02086376279) (every day from 8am to 8pm) or the CNWL Urgent Advice Line on [0800 0234 650](tel:08000234650) (24 hours a day).

You can also contact them by email at grenfell.wellbeing@nhs.net

Temporary installation of CCTV cameras

To help the independent Grenfell Tower Memorial Commission worked towards the development and design of a future memorial, a short study will begin later this month.

This will involve installing closed circuit television (CCTV) cameras in the area around the tower to help the memorial Commission understand how people and traffic use the area. The cameras will be installed in the week of the 26th of June and will be gathering data for four days from Thursday to Sunday of that week.

You can find out more at Grenfell Community updates on GOV.UK by going to 'latest updates. If you would like more information, please contact us using the details at the end of this update.

Site maintenance

Grenfell Tower site contractors, DUK, carry out regular maintenance and checking of the props [or metal supports], the site hoardings and gates, the lighting and alarm systems, and the 24-hour security system.

They inspect the scaffolding around the tower each week and carry out necessary maintenance.

Lighting around the site is controlled using motion sensors and timers. The timings of the lighting around the banner are adjusted every two weeks, according to sunset time.

Air quality monitoring

The UK Health Security Agency has procured a replacement contractor for air quality monitoring around [the] Grenfell Tower site. This new procurement is a standard process and will maintain the air quality monitoring arrangements established by Public Health England.

Since the fire, the air quality in the area surrounding Grenfell Tower has been monitored and assessed to understand if there is any risk to health. This includes the tower site to assess any effects on air quality of ongoing safety works and maintenance.

Current evidence suggests the risk to public health from air pollution in the area around Grenfell Tower remains low.

We are aware of the health concerns in the community since the Grenfell Tower tragedy and continue to support the community affected. We will continue to work closely with those with NHS England, to ensure that anyone who is worried about their health is able to access the support they need.

To find out more about air quality monitoring in the Grenfell Tower area, please see the latest UKHSA update online at GOV.UK by searching for '[environmental monitoring following the Grenfell Tower fire](#)'.

If you have any questions about the air quality monitoring, please contact GrenfellAir@ukhsa.gov.uk

Lancaster West Estate refurbishment

We work with the local council to minimise any disruption from both the maintenance of the Grenfell site and the refurbishment and management of the Lancaster West Estate.

The next major phase of refurbishment has begun and we are working with the council to make sure this is properly planned and coordinated. Some of the works require council contractors to access the Grenfell site and garage areas. We have let the council know that their drivers should act with consideration when attending the site and passing through the entrance gates to avoid disturbing residents.

Our site hours are 7am to 5pm and any vehicle movements outside these times should be by exception only.

Social value and local opportunities

An important part of the work of the tower site contractors, DUK, is to provide and promote long-term sustainable solutions to the community through social value, including employment, training, practical support, wellbeing initiatives and other projects.

Some of the initiatives provided by DUK so far include funding to assist local organisations with office and IT equipment, jobs fairs to promote DUK workplace opportunities, free careers advice at local DWP centres, and English language courses.

For more information, please go to www.degroupp-community.uk

If you would like to talk to us about these opportunities, please get in touch using the contact details at the end of this update.

How to talk to us

To speak to us about the Grenfell Tower site and to ask us questions, call [0303 444 0011](tel:03034440011) or email GrenfellTowerSite@levellingup.gov.uk

If you have any questions on the Grenfell Tower site or any preference on how the department can best keep you updated, please let us know.

If you'd like the latest updates and information straight to your inbox, sign up to our e-mail notifications at [Grenfell Community Updates on GOV.UK](#), where you can also see our previous updates on the tower site.

Thank you for watching this update.

You can watch a [video of this update here](#).

**This update is from the Grenfell Tower site management team,
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