

Date: 2 July 2025 Our Ref: RFI5257 Tel: 0300 1234 500

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Dear

RE: Request for Information - RFI5257

Thank you for your request for information which was processed in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA).

You requested the following information:

I am investigating the cladding remediation process at a residential building located at 29 Laycock Street, N1 1UR.

According to publicly available information, the building:

- Is between 11 and 18 metres in height.
- Contains combustible materials in the external wall system (including EPS insulation, timber cladding, and Tyvek membranes).
- Is registered with the Building Safety Regulator as a higher-risk residential building.
- Underwent intrusive inspections in February and May 2022 that identified these risks.
- As of 2025, remediation has not yet started, and the freeholder has only recently sought planning permission for the works.

I would like to request the following information:

- Has an application been submitted to the Cladding Safety Scheme in relation to this building?
- If so: what date was the application submitted?
- What is the current status of the application (e.g., in progress, approved, rejected)?
- Has any funding been approved or released?

And if no application has been submitted, does Homes England hold any record of communication with the building's freeholder or managing agent about CSS eligibility or funding?

Has Homes England provided any advice, warnings, or alternative funding routes to the freeholder, given the remediation delay?

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Response

We can confirm that we do hold the requested information. We will address each of your question in turn below.

Has an application been submitted to the Cladding Safety Scheme in relation to this building?

We can confirm that an application has been submitted to the Cladding Safety Scheme (CSS) in relation to this building.

If so: what date was the application submitted?

An application to the CSS was submitted on 13 June 2024.

What is the current status of the application (e.g., in progress, approved, rejected)?

The building has been confirmed eligible for funding. The application is currently in the tender and design phase of the process.

Has any funding been approved or released?

We can confirm that £400,000 in pre-tender support funding has been approved and released to the applicant to assist them in carrying out the tender process to appoint a contractor for the project.

Has Homes England provided any advice, warnings, or alternative funding routes to the freeholder, given the remediation delay?

We can advise that Homes England has appointed a Client-Side Support Partner to support the applicant with their preparation for tender in order to not delay any remediation works. We have been in regular communication with the applicant regarding timescales and they are aware of the importance of progressing the application as soon as possible.

Right to Appeal

If you are not happy with the information that has been provided or the way in which your request has been handled, you may request an internal review. You can request an internal review by writing to Homes England via the details below, quoting the reference number at the top of this letter.

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Your request for review must be made in writing, explain why you wish to appeal, and be received within 40 working days of the date of this response. Failure to meet this criteria may lead to your request being refused.

Upon receipt, your request for review will be passed to an independent party not involved in your original request. We aim to issue a response within 20 working days.

You may also complain to the Information Commissioner's Office (ICO) however, the Information Commissioner does usually expect the internal review procedure to be exhausted in the first instance.

The Information Commissioner's details can be found via the following link:

https://ico.org.uk/

Please note that the contents of your request and this response are also subject to the Freedom of Information Act 2000. Homes England may be required to disclose your request and our response accordingly.

Yours sincerely,

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