Letter from the Cabinet Secretary for Housing, 25 March 2026

Grenfell Inquiry Report Phase Two Response – Scottish Government Progress Update

Dear Ariane

I am writing to make the Committee aware of the intention to publish shortly an update providing information on progress in implementing the recommendations which formed part of the Grenfell Tower Inquiry Phase Two Report.

As the Committee will know, the Scottish Government agreed in full to the 58 recommendations in publishing its response to the Phase Two Report on 25 March 2025.

The response report provided an update on the work underway in Scotland and identified where further action was required to support change to strengthen systems across areas where responsibility was devolved as well as on reserved matters working with UK Government and other administrations.

A year on from the publication of the response, we are finalising publication of the first of what we plan to be an ongoing series of short quarterly updates. These will monitor the progress in taking forward the 58 recommendations (and two separate issues) made by the Inquiry that cover building regulation, Building Standards, professional competence, construction product regulation, civil contingencies and fire and rescue.

These updates will be supplemented in September with a more comprehensive review of progress with the recommendations, including where we consider they can be regarded as complete.

The focus of the progress update will be to highlight key activity since the publication last March of the Scottish Government's response to the Grenfell Inquiry Phase Two Report and in identifying work anticipated to be undertaken in the coming months.

The progress update will be available at Building and Fire Safety: Ministerial Working Group - gov.scot.

I hope the Committee will find this update of interest and that it provides assurance on the work being undertaken across Scottish Government, with multiple external stakeholders and through engagement with the UK Government in putting into effect the lessons learnt from the Grenfell tragedy as effectively as possible.

Yours sincerely,

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