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Date: 13th March 2019

Dear Sir/Madam

**London Borough of Wandsworth –v- Various Leaseholders
Sprinkler Systems in Leasehold Properties**

I refer to my previous letter sent earlier today and wish to bring to your attention an error contained therein.

In my last letter I made reference to the decision of the Director of Housing & Regeneration regarding awaiting outcomes of the Grenfell Inquiry and the implementation of works. It has been pointed out to me that at the meeting of the Housing & Regeneration Overview & Scrutiny Committee on the 13th September 2018 an amendment was put to the Committee stating that it should:-

“Allow directions from the First Tier Property Tribunal and recommendations made by the Grenfell Tower Inquiry to shape whether, and how, the programme is progressed across the Council’s high-rise stock”

This was agreed and subsequently approved by the Executive. I apologise to the Tribunal for this error and assure that it was not intended to mislead the Tribunal in any way.

For the sake of clarity, the amendment seeks to highlight the Tribunal's role in establishing whether the works to retro fit sprinklers can be undertaken and charged for under the terms of the council's lease. If the Tribunal supports the council's position any subsequent recommendations emerging from the Grenfell Enquiry will assist in informing how that programme may be best progressed.

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Yours faithfully

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