

**Westminster Social Policy Forum conference:
Next steps for building safety regulation in England**

Timing: Morning, Friday, 24th October 2025

Taking place online



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- 8.30 Registration
- 9.00 **Chair's opening remarks**
The Earl of Lytton, Vice Chair, All-Party Parliamentary Group for Excellence in the Built Environment
- 9.05 **Key developments in building safety policy and regulation in England, and considerations going forward**
Dame Judith Hackitt, Chair, Building Control Independent Panel; and Chair, Industry Safety Steering Group
Questions and comments from the floor
- 9.25 **Advancing fire safety following the Grenfell Inquiry**
Senior representative, fire safety
- 9.35 **Assessing next steps - implementation of the Grenfell Inquiry Phase 2 Report, accountability and oversight, and embedding a culture of safety**
implementing report recommendations | strengthening resident engagement and transparency | improving accountability and oversight | practicalities for standards enforcement and product safety oversight | considerations for fire safety oversight and regulatory transition | proposals for a single Construction Regulator and Chief Construction Adviser | updating fire safety guidance, including Approved Document B | mandating accreditation for fire safety professionals | redefining higher-risk buildings based on use and vulnerability
Hanna Clarke, Digital and Policy Manager, Construction Products Association; and Chair, Industry Competence Steering Group
Senior representative, developer
Senior representative, social housing
Senior representative, legal
- 10.00 Questions and comments from the floor
- 10.20 **Examining progress in delivering cladding remediation and stakeholder priorities for accelerating removal**
progress under the Remediation Acceleration Plan | new statutory duties and enforcement responsibilities in the forthcoming Remediation Bill | identifying and prioritising buildings with dangerous cladding | ensuring developer accountability and leaseholder protections | improving sector coordination and delivery enforcement | streamlining funding | mitigating impacts of removal on residents and supporting engagement and redress | establishing clear timescales and enhancing resident experience | key considerations for leasehold and commonhold ownership models
Theresa Mohammed, Partner, Watson Farley and Williams
Clare Gibb, Director, Transformation and Building Safety, Bristol City Council
Mary Burke, Member, G15 Residents' Group; and Resident, Notting Hill Genesis
Senior representative, social housing
Questions and comments from the floor
- 11.05 **Chair's closing remarks**
The Earl of Lytton, Vice Chair, All-Party Parliamentary Group for Excellence in the Built Environment
- 11.10 Break
- 11.20 **Chair's opening remarks**
Senior Parliamentarian
- 11.25 **Next steps for regulatory oversight, enforcement, and supporting industry through gateway processes**
Neil Hope-Collins, Operational Policy Lead, High-Risk Building Control Authority, Health and Safety Executive
Questions and comments from the floor
- 11.45 **Navigating the approvals process and aligning pre-construction planning with regulatory expectations**
Adam Nicholson, Group Pre-Construction Director, McLaren Construction Group
- 11.55 **Strengthening local authority capacity and performance, and supporting the Building Safety Regulator**
Dr Lorna Stimpson, Chief Executive, Local Authority Building Control
- 12.05 **Meeting requirements in the Building Safety Act - addressing challenges for delivery and priorities for regulatory oversight**
ensuring compliance with statutory duties | coordinating responsibilities between the Building Safety Regulator, local authorities and other enforcement bodies | improving consistency in regulatory interpretation and enforcement | best practice for navigating the gateway process | early identification of safety and regulatory issues in planning | balancing safety with housing delivery and addressing outstanding barriers | potential for Fast Track processes to support delivery | impact of the Building Safety Levy on development viability | supporting digital infrastructure and local authority readiness for implementation
Senior representative, architect
Senior representative, safety management
Senior representative, surveyor
- 12.20 Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.45 **Priorities for the future of building safety regulation and implementing the Government's response to the Grenfell Inquiry**
Senior representative, policy
Questions and comments from the floor
- 13.10 **Chair's and Westminster Social Policy Forum closing remarks**
Senior Parliamentarian
Harry Nelson, Westminster Social Policy Forum