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

9.00 **Chair's opening remarks**
Senior Parliamentarian

9.05 **Embedding culture change across the built environment - industry and policy priorities**
Dame Judith Hackitt, Chair, Building Control Independent Panel; and Chair, Industry Safety Steering Group
Questions and comments from the floor

9.30 **Implementation of building safety reform in practice - transition, accountability and regulatory delivery**
supporting effective transition towards the Single Construction Regulator | building control reform, capacity and regulatory performance, including allocation of work | competence requirements and workforce development | progress and next steps in implementing Grenfell Inquiry Phase 2 Report recommendations | future changes to building regulations and guidance, including Approved Document B | assessing reform to Building Safety Regulator disciplinary and sanctions procedure | digital building information, transparency and accountability requirements under the Golden Thread and the Digital Building Control Roadmap
Andy Crooks, Director, Planet Building Control
Victoria Millward, Director, Paddock Johnson
Keith Todd, Partner, Ridge
Sam Bensted, Assistant Director, Planning and Development, Real Estate:UK
Natalie Barton-Howes, Principal Associate, Gorwling WLG
Questions and comments from the floor

10.20 **Assessing progress in the higher-risk building regime - evidence, lessons learned and priorities for improvement**
Senior representative, regulation
Questions and comments from the floor

10.45 **Chair's closing remarks**
Senior Parliamentarian

10.50 Break

11.00 **Chair's opening remarks**
Senior Parliamentarian

11.05 **Remediation, funding and improving safety in existing buildings**
assessing proposed reform in the Building Safety Bill | risk-based prioritisation and funding for remediation, including eligible buildings below 11 metres | Building Assessment Certificates, safety case reports and compliance requirements | improving transparency and oversight through the National Remediation Database | resident engagement, transparency and redress | leaseholder protections, service charges and wider household costs | multi-occupancy buildings insurance, mortgage availability and saleability | competence, capacity and priorities for building safety management | implementation and oversight of Local Remediation Acceleration Plans | PEEPs, person-centred fire risk assessments and allocation of costs
Petronila Osodo, Head, Remediation Building Safety, Notting Hill Genesis
Vanessa Brandham, Health and Safety Director, Rendall and Rittner
Shula Rich, Vice-Chair, Federation of Private Residents' Associations
Hayley Hayes, Partner, Gateley Legal
Questions and comments from the floor

11.45 **Industry priorities for safety, assurance and accountability in construction products**
Peter Caplehorn, Chief Executive, Construction Products Association
Questions and comments from the floor

12.05 **Priorities for future regulation - supporting housing delivery, effective transition and industry reform**
implications of construction products reform on supply chains and trade | skills requirements for future housing and remediation programmes | priorities for the Strategy for the Built Environment Professions, Trades and Occupations, including professional regulation, licensing and competence | fire safety professions accreditation, registration and certification priorities | role of wider planning reform and Future Homes Standard on sector confidence and capacity | Building Safety Levy and impacts on development viability, regeneration and investment | aligning building safety objectives with housing delivery ambitions | improving productivity, innovation and modern methods of construction
Katherine Metcalfe, Partner, Pinsent Masons
Senior representative, skills
Senior representative, social housing
Senior representative, developer
Questions and comments from the floor

12.40 **Next steps for implementing construction products reform**
Levi Broderick, Deputy Director, Ministry of Housing, Communities, and Local Government
Charlotte Inman, Deputy Director, Construction Product Regulation, Office for Product Safety Standards, Department for Business, Innovation, Science and Trade
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