

Freedom of Information Request FOI 25 39

Buildings identified following Grenfell as having potentially dangerous cladding

Query:

I am writing to request the following under the Freedom of Information Act 2000:

- 1. How many buildings within the area that you cover were identified following Grenfell as having potentially dangerous cladding?
- 2. How many of those still have the potentially dangerous cladding identified?
- 3. Can you provide a list of the buildings still affected?
- 4. Is anything in place to monitor these buildings?

Response:

Unfortunately, we will not be able to provide you with information you have requested. Such information would be withheld under section 38 of the Freedom of Information Act. Section 38 exempts information from disclosure if it could endanger any individual. It is a qualified exemption, which means that it is subject to a public interest test.

We acknowledge the public interest in openness and transparency on fire safety matters, but we consider that there is also a public interest in protecting residents of potentially vulnerable buildings.

Disclosure of information under the Freedom of Information Act is a disclosure to the "world at large". We recognise that it is vital that residents are kept fully informed about the safety of their own buildings, however we believe that disclosure of such information into the public domain could affect the privacy, anonymity, and personal safety of residents by way of unsolicited attention from the media or others. In addition to this, disclosure of addresses of potentially vulnerable buildings could affect the safety and security of the residents of said buildings. We have therefore concluded that this exemption applies, and that non-disclosure serves the public interest better than release in this instance.

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