

# **C** Hyde

Hyde's Building safety task-force: The new normal?

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#### The day after Grenfell...









#### What we've done...

- An inspection and remediation programme;
  - Joint inspections with fire and rescue services
  - Carried out FRA 4s invasive inspections
  - Commissioned expert advice; Fire engineers, Fire consultants, cladding manufacturers
  - Conducted tenancy safety audits
  - Cladding checks including configuration
  - Building safety compliance audits (current certificates.)



#### What we found...







































#### 86 high rise blocks inspected

#### How many failed the inspection?





#### Remediation

- 10 cladding replacement projects
- Compartmentation repairs
- Waking watch
- Budget so far... **£50M**









### What's worked for Hyde?

- Dedicated Fire safety taskforce
- Clearly defined governance structure with a dedicated Project Board
- A methodical programme of inspection and audit
- A strong project management ethos
- Openness with residents
- A binding financial commitment



## **Stay-Put?** Stay-Safe $\sqrt{}$

- The Stay-Put policy suffered a catastrophic failure at Grenfell
- Public confidence in Stay-Put is undermined
- Compartmentation is an effective layer of protection, but if it fails, you need to move swiftly to from Stay-Put to Stay-Safe



#### So **Stay-Put**, but if you;

- Can see or smell **S**moke;
- are Advised to leave or hear the fire alarm,
- or feel unusual heat or can see Flames;
- you should **E**vacuate

#### Stay-S.A.F.E.



#### We need to change our approach.

#### From Compliance to Building safety



### Vertical (new holistic)building safety

- Fire safety
- Electrical safety
- Gas safety
- Resident safety

#### Horizontal (old linear) compliance 🕄 Hyde

## **Our leaning points**

- Be methodical in your approach
- Be honest (you can't unsee what you see)
- Be open (tell it as it is)
- Act proportionately to the risk (use layers of protection)
- Adapt as events unfold (ACM, Timber frame, Timber balconies, HPL, EPS, what next?)
- Act now rather than wait for legislation



#### **Our Mantra**

### Would I be happy if I had a *'loved one'* living in this building?





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