

Freedom of Information request reference number: 6847.1

Date of response: 28/09/2022

Request:

With respect to the notice given under Section 16 of the Building Act 1984 (Reference No: 22/0140/FP) please provide:

- 1. Copies of all information submitted by L&Q to the LFB in satisfaction of Condition 2 (satisfactory consultation with the Fire Authority);*
- 2. Copies of all information provided by LFB to L&Q and Hackney Council in response to L&Q's consultation and otherwise in relation to compliance with Condition 2 of the notice.*

Response:

Please find attached below a copy of the consultation letter for 12 Grand Union House, Hertford Road, Hackney, London, N1 5QR, dated 8 August 2022. This is all the information held by LFB for the De Beauvoir Wharf building.

Personal data has been removed from the attached documents under [section 40 of the FOIA – Personal Information](#).

We have dealt with your request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000. For more information about this process please see the guidance we publish about making a request on our website: <https://www.london-fire.gov.uk/about-us/transparency/request-information-from-us/>

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Climate, Home and Economy
London Borough of Hackney
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The London Fire Commissioner is the
fire and rescue authority for London

Date 8 August 2022
Our Ref 04/001938
Your Ref 22/0140/FP

Dear Sir/Madam

RECORD OF CONSULTATION/ADVICE GIVEN

REGULATORY REFORM (FIRE SAFETY) ORDER 2005 (as amended) ARTICLE 45

SCOPE OF WORKS: REMOVE AND REPLACE NON-COMPLIANT MATERIALS FROM THE FACADES OF THE BUILDINGS AND TO INSTALL CAVITY BARRIERS WHERE REQUIRED TO COMPLY WITH APPROVED DOCUMENT B OF THE BUILDING REGULATIONS.

PREMISES: 12 GRAND UNION HOUSE, HERTFORD ROAD, HACKNEY, LONDON, N1 5QR

The London Fire Commissioner (the Commissioner) is the fire and rescue authority for London. The Commissioner is responsible for enforcing the Regulatory Reform (Fire Safety) Order 2005 (as amended) in London.

The Commissioner has been consulted with regard to the above-mentioned premises and makes the following observations:

The Commissioner is not satisfied with the proposals, for the following reasons: **Insufficient information.**

Other comments: **Missing following information from consultation**

1. Subject to Structural calculations being approved by the council's structural Engineer
2. Subject to receiving manufacturers details for all materials proposed including BBA certificates

The Commissioner strongly recommends that sprinklers are considered for new developments and major alterations to existing premises, particularly where the proposals relate to schools and care homes. Sprinkler systems installed in buildings can significantly reduce the damage caused by fire and the consequential cost to businesses and housing providers, and can reduce the risk to life. The Commissioner's opinion is that there are opportunities for developers and building owners to install sprinkler systems in order to save money, save property and protect the lives of occupier. Please note that it is our policy to regularly advise our elected Members about how many cases there have been where we have recommended sprinklers and what the outcomes of those recommendations were. These quarterly reports to our Members are public documents which are available on our website.

Any queries regarding this letter should be addressed to [REDACTED]. If you are dissatisfied in any way with the response given, please ask to speak to the Team Leader quoting our reference.

Yours faithfully,



Assistant Commissioner (Fire Safety)

Reply to [REDACTED]

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The London Fire Brigade promotes the installation of sprinkler suppression systems, as there is clear evidence that they are effective in suppressing and extinguishing fires; they can help reduce the numbers of deaths and injuries from fire, and the risk to firefighters.