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Request:

London Borough of Brent owns the Kilburn Square housing estate in London NW6. The estate has a parking undercroft, which has been disused for many years – possibly decades – partly on grounds of Fire Safety compliance

The undercroft is adjacent to the base of a 17-storey tower block; the fire escape route appears to emerge up 21 steps to a partially blocked exit next to but not within that tower.

LBB now proposes to refurbish the undercroft and reopen it for parking as part of a New Build development

- 1. Please confirm that LFB is the enforcement agency for this undercroft; or if not, who is?
- 2. Please supply copies of the three most recent inspection reports for the undercroft
- 3. Please supply copies of any correspondence between LFB and LBB or its agents or consultants concerning measures to ensure full Fire Safety compliance since the most recent inspection; and in particular over the last four years

Response:

Our Fire Safety Regulatory team have checked the records held for the Undercroft at Kilburn Square. Please see my answers to each question set out below.

1. Please confirm that LFB is the enforcement agency for this undercroft; or if not, who is?

London Fire Brigade has a responsibility to enforce fire safety legislation, including the Regulatory Reform (Fire Safety) Order 2006. Mostly applicable in commercial premises and common parts in flats.

2. Please supply copies of the three most recent inspection reports for the undercroft.

The LFB do not have any record of any recent fire safety audits for Undercroft. Fire Risk Assessments are the responsibility of the responsible person of the building. You may wish to check if London Borough of Brent hold copies of fire risk assessment.

3. Please supply copies of any correspondence between LFB and LBB or its agents or consultants concerning measures to ensure full Fire Safety compliance since the most recent inspection; and in particular over the last four years

As we do not have any record of recent fire safety audits for the undercroft we have checked our records for the address and have no matching correspondence.

I hope you find this information of use. Should you have any further questions please do let me know.

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 <u>on</u> <u>our website</u>