

Report for: **Overview and Scrutiny Committee 12 March 2020**

Title: **Fire Safety in High Rise Blocks - update**

Report

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Ward(s) affected: **All**

Report for Key/

Non Key Decision: **Non-Key Decision**

1. Describe the issue under consideration

1.1. The Overview and Scrutiny Committee approved recommendations on Fire Safety in High Rise blocks at its meeting on 25 March 2019. Cabinet provided a response at its meeting on 9 July 2019. This report provides a further update on the recommendations of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee.

2. Recommendations

2.1. To note the report.

3. Background information

3.1. The Overview and Scrutiny Panel produced a report on Fire Safety in High Rise blocks which was approved by Overview and Scrutiny Committee on 25 March 2019. The review project was set up in the aftermath of the Grenfell Tower fire in 2017. The Overview and Scrutiny Panel sought to review the response that was made to the fire in Haringey, as well as looking at how other local authorities had responded for the purpose of learning.

3.2. Cabinet responded at its meeting on 9 July 2019. Further updates to the recommendations are now available and attached at appendix 1.

4. Contribution to strategic outcomes

4.1. The Borough Plan sets out housing as its first priority. Within that priority the third key aim is to 'drive up the quality of housing' and in particular to 'ensure safety in housing of all tenures across the borough, responding to any new regulations as they emerge'.

5. Use of appendices

5.1. Appendix 1: Update on recommendations.

6. Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985

Minutes of the Overview & Scrutiny Committee meeting held on 25 March 2019 are available on the Haringey Council website at this [link](#).

Minutes of the Cabinet meeting held on 9 July 2019 are available on the Haringey Council website at this [link](#).