

Grenfell Tower Fire

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Sent: 16 June 2017 22:40
To: Fenton, Tony: WCC
Subject: RE: CONFIDENTIAL - Grenfell Tower fire

Tony, thanks for the information, only catching up on e-mails now.

Good to know- can you recall how long the fire was burning for in your one?

Have secured services of Arup who have been great.

We have set up some laser monitoring of the structure.

John

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Hi John,

Being built in 74 it would have needed to comply with the 72 By-laws which required continuity of structure to resist disproportionate collapse.

I have seen the effects of fire on a modernish RC office building in Victoria Street some years ago. Although the concrete had gone pink, the reinforcement had been exposed when the concrete had spalled, and some slabs had deflected by over 300mm, the structure held together.

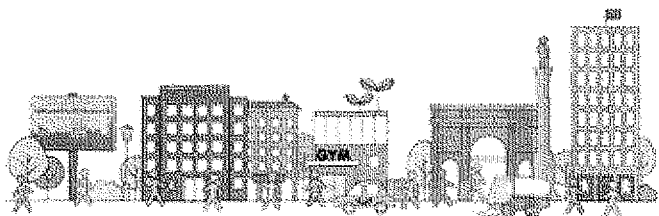
This can't be your 'swansong', John; K&C will need your expertise for years to come!

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Thanks all.

Have now gleaned the fr information about cover and column/beam size from our retained engineer.
John

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Good morning All,

Further to the dramatic news that we have all awoken to this morning and the images of Grenfell Tower, I can advise you that John Allen is currently at the scene. Jay from Hammersmith has spoken to John (as did Anthony earlier offering LDSA help and support) asking if he required any help. John advised that at the moment he is on site, but there was nothing that he could do at present, however he did say that the building was built in 1974 and is a reinforced concrete building and if anyone has structural engineers that have direct experience of reinforced concrete behaviour in fire situations, it would be useful to know. There is speculation that collapse may be possible, although it is thought that the building was built under the revised regulations at the time that dealt with progressive collapse, however partial collapse may be possible.

If you should have engineers (or surveyors for that matter) who have experience of rf concrete in fire and/or high rise fires etc, please can you email John Allen (copy both Anthony and myself, as John's emails/phone will be overloaded)?

Thank you


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