(xiii) Mr C Fraser

To the Chair of the Housing & Property Committee

The Scottish Government are bringing in fire, heat, smoke and carbon monoxide alarm legislation in response to the Grenfell Tower disaster. By February 2021, all homes in Scotland must have these alarms in their properties. What process is planned to make sure our social housing estate meets this new legislation?'

We have been preparing for the introduction of the new regulations by bringing properties up to standard through planned / cyclical maintenance programmes, during reletting work and when undertaking related capital programme work. This work was budgeted in the HRA estimates for 2020/21, reported to Committee in January 2020.

Recognising the impact of COVID 19 on undertaking this work the Scottish Government will ask parliament to delay new regulations on smoke and carbon monoxide alarms by 12 months due to the impact of coronavirus.

The Council has a works programme in place to bring remaining properties up to standard by May 2021 and will provide an update to the Housing and Property Committee.