

# Implementation of Grenfell Inquiry Recommendations & Local Remediation Plan Update

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# Why This Matters

- Update on NYFRS progress against Grenfell Tower Inquiry recommendations
- Overview of North Yorkshire's Local Remediation Plan and building safety progress

Both programmes improve public safety and firefighter safety.



# Grenfell Tower Inquiry (GTI)

Phase 2 of the GTI commenced on the 27th of January 2020 and examined the causes of the incident, including how Grenfell Tower came to be in a condition which allowed the fire to spread in the way identified in Phase 1. The final Phase 2 report was published on 4th September 2024.

- The report is made up of 7 volumes and contains 58 recommendations.
- Of the 58 recommendations, 12 relate to the Fire & Rescue Service as a sector;
- 5 recommendations are for all Fire and Rescue Services



# Governance

- The NFCC launched a Phase 2 recommendations tracker for the Grenfell Tower Inquiry. All services must update their progress against the areas the NFCC agreed to progress and monitor.
- The report needs to be updated on a quarterly basis against organisational progress.
- An update paper is provided by exception every quarter, noting the progresses made.
- NYFRS, last submission was completed on the 8th October 2025.
- The last submission reflected that NYFRS had four actions which were now at a 'completed' status, six actions that are still at 'In Progress' phase, with one that is logged as 'not started' as we are still awaiting further direction from the NFCC.
- Progress on recommendations is tracked through the Tall Buildings Working Group and updates provided through Ops Effectiveness Board.



# In Progress

## **113.61 Communications** - Jan 2026.

Enhanced comms training for all firefighters;  
ICs developing comms plans through CPD.  
BA telemetry now operational.

## **113.62 Water Supplies** - Jan 2026.

Hydrant and water system training  
embedded; policy in place.

## **113.63 Water Protocols** - Partially complete.

Formal Yorkshire Water protocol established  
and operational.

## **113.57 Risk Information** - In progress.

HRRBs identified and risk data  
maintained through SSRI and monthly  
assurance.

## **113.55 Control Room** - In progress.

Control now integrated, with new  
competency framework, KPIs, and comms  
procedures.

## **113.58 Debrief** - Near completion.

Robust learning processes embedded via  
OEB, JESIP, and NFCC.

# Progress Delivered

## Communications & Control

- **National Fire Control Announcement Talk group** integrated
- Delivered **Operation Willowbeck** and completed the first national test
- Introduced Teams-based **Evacuation Boards** for real-time sharing of persons-at-risk information
- Reviewed and **aligned training to NOG** for: evacuation strategies, building failure indicators, and Fire Survival Guidance
- **Updated mobilising system screens** to streamline HRRB incident management
- Conducted multiple **HRRB exercises** for Control staff
- Implemented **Multi-Agency Incident Transfer Increased PDAs** for HRRBs and MRRBs requiring remediation
- Completed a Control staffing review, **increasing staffing levels** and



# Progress Delivered

## Operational Response

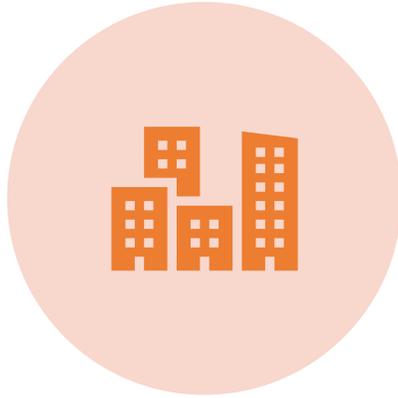
- Updated high-rise **procedures and evacuation training**
- **Lift key types recorded** on all risk information
- **Dual digital/analogue radios** on all appliances
- **Intrinsically safe radios** on strategic vehicles
- **Operational Preplans** for all HRRB's
- **HRRB packs** on all key appliances

## Command & Training

- Mandatory high-rise **e-learning** completed by all staff
- Tall Buildings **training and tabletop exercises** delivered across key stations
- **High-rise equipment and smoke-hood training introduced** to all operational staff
- Fire Control briefings provided to **strengthen evacuation strategy understanding**
- District crews carried out **site-specific visits and walkthroughs**
- High-rise **exercises completed**, with more scheduled for early 2026
- **Flexi Duty Officers trained** and exercised in EVAC responsibilities



# Impact



CLEARER COMMUNICATION  
DURING COMPLEX INCIDENTS  
FASTER ACCESS TO BUILDINGS



STRONGER COMMAND  
DECISION-MAKING  
BETTER PREPARATION FOR  
RAPID FIRE SPREAD OR  
BUILDING FAILURE



FURTHER ENHANCEMENT OF  
FIREFIGHTER SAFETY AND  
SITUATIONAL AWARENESS

# Local Remediation Action Plan

- The National Remediation Acceleration Plan outlines expectations for:
  - all buildings over 18m (high-rise) within government-funded schemes to be remediated by 2029
  - all 11m+ buildings (medium-rise) either be remediated, scheduled for remediation, or face enforcement by 2029
- September 2024, Government asked Combined Authority Mayor's to work with regulators and partners to prepare **Local Remediation Acceleration Plans** for high and medium-rise buildings to:
  - accelerate remediation activity
  - identify support required from Government



# NYFRS Role

1

Support partners to assess risk from cladding and other defects

2

Support and drive remediation  
Enforce the Fire Safety Order, where applicable.

3

Maintain accurate risk information and predetermined attendances for frontline crews

# Local Remediation Action Plan

- Working with NYFRS, North Yorkshire Council and City of York Council, our plan has been developed and published [Local Remediation Acceleration Plan](#)

## High-rise (18m+)

- None of the 22 in-scope buildings require remediation for unsafe cladding or other critical safety issues
- Reporting and Monitoring
    - National Mayoral-led roundtables
    - Local officer-led steering groups

## Medium-rise (11-18m)

- Currently identifying number of 11-18m buildings and those in scope
- Central Funding provided for NYFRS Fire Safety Adviser
- Number in scope 72 (on-going process)
- Number investigated and closed 68

# What's Working and What's Challenging

## Working Well

- Strong, outcome-focused partnership arrangements
- Use of diverse tools to drive remediation
- Clear and measurable progress
- Skilled resourcing
- Enhanced operational intelligence for crews

## Main Challenges

- Data consolidated from two validated sources
- Premises identification is continuously refined



# Summary



- NYFRS has delivered major improvements since Grenfell—particularly in Control, communications, training and high-rise response.



- The Local Remediation Plan is active, collaborative and driving progress.



- Commitment remains clear:  
No resident should live in an unsafe building, and no firefighter should face avoidable risk.