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Subject: Cromwell Tower internal redecoration -

Letter from Mike Saunders 17 August 2017 -

Written observation from Cromwell Tower House Group

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Dear Mr Murray

Cromwell Tower internal redecoration, written observation from Cromwell Tower House Group

This is a response from the Cromwell Tower House Group to Mike Saunders' letter of 17th August headed "Notice of Intention to carry out qualifying work". His letter describes the City of London's proposal to carry out internal decoration work in Cromwell Tower. A major part of this work is preparation and repainting of the front doors of our flats, and the woodwork of the lockers next to the front doors. We understand that the repainting of the green/grey metallic panels on the podium and 01 levels does not form part of this proposal. I would appreciate your confirmation of this point.

As a consequence of Grenfell Fire, the City of London is undertaking a project to examine the possibility of replacing the front doors and associated woodwork, right across the estate, starting in the Towers. This is stated in an answer to Frequently Asked Questions on the City of London website: <https://www.cityoflondon.gov.uk/services/housing/Documents/barbican-estate-fire-safety.pdf> (August 2017). This reads:

"We are carrying out a feasibility study to survey all doors and plan a programme to replace all those which have resistance of under 30 minutes. Priority will be

given to doors in tower blocks and we will inform residents as soon as we know the extent of the programme and when it will start."

We therefore ask that you delay the programme of internal redecoration in our Tower until the result of this feasibility study is known. It makes no sense to repaint the woodwork if it is shortly to be replaced.

I would be grateful if you would please confirm receipt of this letter. We have a Cromwell Tower House Group Committee Meeting on 25th September at 7pm. Mike Saunders would be very welcome to join us to describe to us what he proposes or to discuss options.

With kind regards
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