



Item 16.1

Full Council – 22 November 2021

Conservative Group Motion

Granville New Homes Independent Inquiry

This Council notes with grave concern the issues raised by the Ridge Report on the Granville New Homes build by Brent Council.

This matter was briefly discussed at the Community & Wellbeing Scrutiny Committee and Audit and Standards Advisory Committee. Because of time constraints, the matter has not been fully aired. There still remains very large and serious questions the Administration needs to answer, for example:

- When and who commissioned the Ridge Report?
- When did the serious defects in the structure of the construction come to light?
- What was the Building Contractors and Councils Building Control Department's involvement during construction and issue of Completion Certificate?

There are various estimates circulating as to the amount of money required to remedy the defects. One source reports that £18.4 million will be required. This amount is larger than the Council potentially lost by investment in Icelandic Banks.

This Council therefore agrees to request that the Cabinet commissions an independent inquiry into the matter.

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