

Keeping Our Homes Safe: A Plan from Brent Council

What's Our Plan?

We want to make sure everyone living in our tall buildings is safe. We have a new safety plan to help with this. The plan follows new rules introduced by Government under the Building Safety Act 2022.

Why Do We Need This Plan?

There's a new rule that says we must keep tall buildings very safe. Tall buildings are buildings that are 18 metres OR seven floors high and taller. We need to talk to the people living there to find out how to keep them safe and keep them updated with our plans for the building.

What Will We Do?

- 1. **Sharing Information**: We will tell everyone about important safety information.
- 2. **Listening to You**: We will ask for your thoughts and make sure we listen.
- 3. Checking on Safety: We will see if what we're doing is working well.

Who's in Charge?

Brent Council is in charge of making sure that the tall buildings it owns is safe for the people who live in them. We have specific people in charge of doing this:

- Senior Managers
- Safety Officers
- Housing Officers
- People who talk to residents

If you have any worries about safety in your home, you can email us at BHMBuildingSafety@brent.gov.uk

Knowing Who Lives in Our Buildings

We need to know everyone living in our tall buildings, especially if someone needs help during an emergency. We will ask everyone once a year who lives in their home and if anyone needs special help. This helps the firefighters know who to help first. Some examples include:

- If you have trouble walking or climbing stairs by yourself
- If you have poor eyesight or hearing

How We Will Share Information With You

We will use different ways to give you information:

- Letters to your home
- Posters in your building
- Information on our website

Every year, we will have a meeting about your building to talk about safety. You can ask questions and learn about any changes we are making at this meeting. We will publish dates of meetings on our website and contact you beforehand so you know when and where the meeting will be.

Asking for Your Opinions

We will ask what you think about:

- Big changes to your building and how that can affect you.
- Safety checks and repairs.
- Telling us about any new problems you have noticed.
- New safety rules.

Checking Our Plan

We will look at our plan every year to make sure it's working. We will ask for your help to make it better.