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*Dear Mark,*

Following the horrific Grenfell Tower tragedy last week, I would be grateful if you could provide me with an assurance that all social housing which accommodates the residents of Swale is subject to the most rigorous fire safety checks. If that is not the case, can you please let me know what steps will be taken to urgently undertake a safety review of all social housing across the borough.

If you believe that current fire safety regulations do not provide the level of rigour that local authorities need to ensure the safety of their tenants, please do let me know so that I can raise this in Parliament. It would also be helpful to have a steer from you on whether the powers held by councils to inspect private housing in the rented sector are strong enough or need to be reviewed.

*Tom Stacey*

*Helen*

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