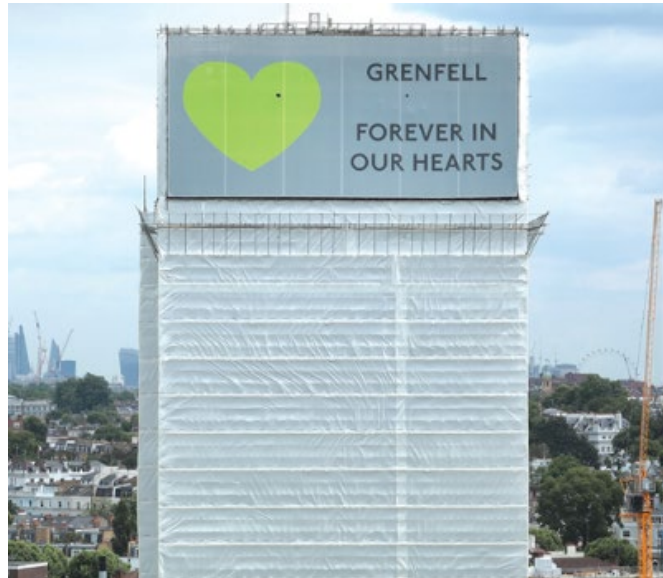


EVENING LECTURE

Grenfell Tower Fire London – the consequences for regulation



The fire at Grenfell Tower in London was a catastrophe which resulted in the deaths of 72 people. As well as the legal Inquiry into the circumstances there was an Independent Review of Building Regulations and Fire Safety commissioned by government that was published in May 2018. This Review, by Dame Judith Hackitt, found that the existing system is not fit for purpose and makes 50 recommendations for a sufficiently robust regulatory system for the future to ensure that buildings are safe. The regulatory implications of the report will be described along with the measures that are being taken to improve safety. Other recent major failures and fires will also be discussed.

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