



Apartment Defects Campaign Update, 11 March 2025 – PLEASE SHARE

Complete Housing Agency Survey Urgently

All OMCs that have applied to the Interim Remediation Scheme – apart from the four pathfinders – have been contacted again by the Housing Agency to complete this survey <https://survey.zohopublic.eu/zs/bFEFV2> in relation to the appointment of competent professionals to undertake fire safety assessments.

The deadline for the completion of the survey is **Friday, 21 March** next so it is vital that all applicants to the Interim Remediation Scheme complete the survey and return it on time.

The information gathered from this survey is crucial for the process of getting the issue of the costs incurred by OMCs due to the requirement to re-tender sorted – so please complete it and return it on time.

Tendering Support

To assist OMCs meet public tendering requirements for the Interim Remediation Scheme and ultimately the full statutory scheme, the Housing Agency is working over the next few months towards establishing a Dynamic Purchasing System (DPS) to be hosted on eTenders.

Establishing a DPS will mean that OMCs will be able to submit their tender requirements for a Competent Professional (CP) onto eTenders and all CPs who are qualified to be on the DPS will be automatically alerted and be able to submit tenders to the relevant OMC through eTenders. The DPS system is also an open system which will allow competent CPs to join the DPS over time.

The DPS will create a panel of CPs who meet specific eligibility criteria set by the Housing Agency. It will ensure that CPs possess the necessary expertise in conducting fire safety assessments, fire safety risk assessments, and managing the public

procurement of Competent Builders as well as the contract administration of public works contracts on behalf of the OMC. The DPS will also clearly define the certification requirements at the final stage of the IRS.

Alongside the DPS, the Housing Agency will develop a step-by-step process guide for OMCs, detailing how they will need to interact with eTenders to access the DPS once it goes live. These two elements – the DPS and the eTenders' guidance – will be developed in parallel as the DPS progresses.

Once the system is ready to go the Housing Agency will organise an on-line training event for OMCs which will be recorded and made available on YouTube. The Alliance will keep you updated on developments here.

Ends.