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Dear John,

Thank you for the opportunity to address Committee members on 09 November 2023 and provide an update on progress of the Welsh Building Safety Programme.

During the session I updated members on the proposed changes to the Leaseholder Support Scheme, which includes plans to expand opportunities for applicants to access help. I also asked for member's support in publicising this scheme.

I would be very grateful if members could distribute the attached flyer in their constituencies, urging any leaseholders in financial difficulty to complete our eligibility checker, to see if they can access help through the Leaseholder Support Scheme.

I also wanted to ensure all members are aware there are regular updates on the Welsh Building Safety Programme, including any formal announcements that have been made in the Senedd, available via our Newsletter.

To receive the newsletter, you will need to subscribe by clicking the link [here](#) and registering your interest.

If you would like to subscribe to the Welsh version please subscribe [here](#).

Once registered you will receive regular updates from the Building Safety Programme.

Yours sincerely

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Leaseholder Support Scheme

The Leaseholder Support Scheme is designed to help people who are in, or facing, significant financial hardship as a direct result of possible fire safety issues affecting their medium or high-rise property. It first opened for applications in June 2022.

The scheme is free and is designed to offer leaseholders advice and solutions to their current financial concerns.

The first step is to complete the **scheme eligibility checker** where you can check if you might be eligible for the scheme.

If you think you're eligible to apply, then the next step is to make an application. The completion of any part of this application process will not affect your credit score in any way.

Paper, accessible, and Welsh language documents are available. You can also receive help to complete them from our dedicated team.

If you would like more information about the Leaseholder Support Scheme, or would like support in making an application please contact: **applications@leaseholdersupportscheme.wales**

Please visit **www.gov.wales/leaseholder-support-scheme** for further information.