CYNGOR SIR POWYS COUNTY COUNCIL

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SUBJECT: Question from County Councillor Pete Roberts

In a recent report by the Huffington Post (1) the claim was made that over 25000 fire doors of the same type that failed to prevent the Grenfell fire from spreading were still in use in Council and housing association property in the UK.

Can the Portfolio holder confirm how many of these doors are still in use in Powys and if there are any what steps and timeframes he has for their replacement?

Response

Housing

I am pleased to confirm that we have no doors fitted of the 5 identified types. Our doors were manufactured by JBW and JCK Joinery, both were checked and certified as door sets for Fire Resistance, we have no evidence to suggest either are supplied by either of the 5 Manufacturers named in the Huffington Post.

We have previously enquired with JBW and JCK if their doors remain complaint, and they have confirmed so, providing the approved list of parts that are required for repairs. We have sent that information to our joint venture maintenance partner HOWPS, and received assurances they will use those parts to maintain compliance.

Property

Corporate property does not have specific detail on each fire door located within its property portfolio. It does however undertake statutory inspections of its installed fire doors on an annual basis to ensure fire doors are of an appropriate standard and provide the necessary fire compartmentation.

Inspections are undertaken by competent persons and any remedial works or door failures are reported formally to the premises manager responsible for the building.