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<b>Project</b>	Grenfell Tower
<b>Client</b>	Royal Borough of Kensington and Chelsea prior to transfer to Ministry for Housing, Communities and Local Government (MHCLG)
<b>Vaule</b>	Confidential
<b>Start Date</b>	July 2017
<b>Finish Date</b>	To be Confirmed

## About the Project

Following the tragic fire at Grenfell Tower in June 2017, Derisk (UK) Ltd were appointed as Principal Designer and CDM Advisor to the Client to assist with ensuring that the building was and continues to be maintained in situ, and stable to allow for on-going access inspections and investigations to take place. Derisk were appointed as part of a multi-agency and multi-disciplinary team to advise the independent Site Management Group and team, while also ensuring that the Royal Borough of Kensington and Chelsea were undertaking any statutory duties required as part of CDM Regulations, as Landlord and designated Client. This work has been undertaken in conjunction with the MHCLG and the HSE.

The ownership of the site has now been formally transferred to government, directly to MHCLG, from July 2019, along with any relevant appointments and contracts being procured direct by government with relevant parties as required.

The scope of works being carried out on the tower has been split into multiple phases, starting with the erection of props to stabilise the building, followed by the erection of scaffolding to allow for the removal of materials, both of which then allow for investigations to take place by all parties.

Our role on this scheme is to ultimately ensure that the building is safe. Our duties comprise of the following:

- To plan, manage, monitor and coordinate the pre-construction phase.
- To produce the Health and Safety File and collate information from all parties involved in the creation of the document.

To ensure the design work in the pre-construction phase contributes to the delivery of positive health and safety outcomes.

- To review drawings and design changes through the project and raise any associated issues with respect to Health and Safety with the Design Team.
- To hold regular design meetings are an effective way to:
  - Discuss the risks that should be addressed during the pre-construction phase.
  - Decide on the control measures to be adopted.
  - Agree the information that will help prepare the construction phase plan.
- Collect and collate the pre-construction information.
- Monitor the H&S of the project by attending site twice a week.
- Assist the CDM Client to meet their statutory duties, which includes regular liaison with the local council and government officials.



As Principal Designers, Derisk have successfully managed the challenges presented by the project, doing this sensitively and pragmatically while ensuring the safety of the structure and surrounding environment. Good communication skills, an awareness of concerns from the wider community are vital aspects of coordinating the large project team, government representatives and interacting positively with the neighbourhood community.

Derisk have now been confirmed as the Principal Designers for the next phase of the project, which has involved government becoming Landlord for the site, and the MHCLG therefore taking over as CDM Client from Royal Borough of Kensington and Chelsea.