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10th March 2026

Dear Mr Duvall OBE AM,

Thank you for your letter of 18th December regarding the proposal for a national oversight mechanism for the implementation of recommendations from inquiries. Please accept my apologies for the delay in responding to you.

The Government recognises public inquiry recommendation implementation monitoring is currently insufficient. A number of stakeholders have raised these concerns with us and there are ongoing discussions across the Government on the issue of oversight. We remain committed to improving transparency and scrutiny of the action taken against the recommendations made by inquiries.

It is the responsibility of the relevant lead department to determine how best to progress and implement inquiry recommendations pertaining to their work. The Government must publish a response to an inquiry's recommendations. All Government departments publish their responses on GOV.UK.

MHCLG is not the lead department for inquiry policy but is the lead department for the response to the Grenfell Tower Inquiry recommendations. We published quarterly progress reports in May, September, and December 2025. The reports from September include the overall timeline for implementation and delivery of the recommendations. Our last update on progress was the Annual Report to Parliament, published on 25th February.

As the Secretary of State said in his oral statement to the House, work to determine the appropriate oversight arrangements for inquiry recommendations is still ongoing. Specifically, the report sets out how both the Government and Parliament have important roles in providing oversight, accountability and scrutiny.

In July 2025, the Government launched the first Public Inquiries: Recommendations and the Government Response dashboards, to track the implementation of recommendations. The dashboards continue to evolve to include all inquiries from 2024 onwards and are refreshed quarterly. Dashboards will be an enduring mechanism for monitoring and tracking Government

implementation of inquiry recommendations, allowing the public to track the progress of implementation and ensure inquiry recommendations do not get lost.

The Government is continuing to explore ways to improve transparency and accountability of recommendations made by public inquiries. As part of this process, we will continue to listen to the views of groups who have been affected by public inquiries to ensure the proper scrutiny of the Government's progress toward implementing inquiry recommendations.

Parliament is also undertaking work in this area. The Public Administration and Constitutional Affairs Committee and the Liaison Committee are considering how parliamentary oversight of recommendations can be strengthened. The report from the Infected Blood Inquiry includes recommendations for Parliament on two key areas: how to respond to calls for public inquiries and how to scrutinise the implementation of recommendations resulting from future inquiries. In December 2025, the Public Administration and Constitutional Affairs Committee launched an inquiry examining those issues to inform consideration of the broader recommendations from the Infected Blood Inquiry and to guide the approach to other future inquiries.

Thank you again for writing on this important matter.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Samantha Dixon". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

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