**Statement on endeavours taken in relation to combustible materials in the external walls of homes acquired through GLA housing programmes, or delivered as refurbishment, conversion or remodelling**

**Person signing this statement**

This form should be signed by someone with appropriate authority to agree to the statement of endeavours on behalf of the organisation. This will usually be the person who submits contractual information to the GLA through the Open Project System (OPS).

Name of person:

Position:

**General statement**

I understand that the Mayor of London has introduced a building safety policy which states that no combustible materials may be used in the external wall of homes funded through his housing programmes, regardless of height. This only allows materials that are Class A2-s1 rated and above under the European classification system, as set out in the standard BS EN 13501-1 and as reflected in UK Building Regulations. This excludes building features which are set out in Regulation 7(3) of the Building Regulations, such as door frames and window frames. This exemptions list may be updated by government and the exemptions detailed at the time of purchase of the property will be the ones considered relevant.

I understand that this policy applies to the following programmes:

* Affordable Homes Programme 2021-26
* Single Homelessness Accommodation Programme
* Refugee Housing Programme
* Care and Support Specialised Housing Fund from 2023/24 only.

Where this policy applies to the acquisition of existing homes which have previously been occupied, or refurbishment, conversion, or remodelling, I understand that the Mayor’s investment partners must undertake reasonable endeavours to verify that no combustible materials are known to be used in the external walls of any homes or buildings, regardless of their height.

Tick to confirm statement above:

**Statement of reasonable endeavours undertaken to verify construction of external walls for acquisitions or homes delivered as refurbishment, conversion or remodelling**

**Project details**

Property address:

OPS project code:

1. **Visual assessment of the façade of the external wall**

I confirm that a visual assessment has been undertaken by a person of appropriate competence, such as a Building Surveyor or Fire Engineer with appropriate qualifications and competence, to identify the materials used in the construction of the façade of the external wall, and that none of these are expected to be combustible according to the definition included above.

Tick to confirm statement above:

1. **Identification of relevant records detailing the construction of the building**

I confirm that I or officers in my organisation have obtained or have taken such steps as amount to reasonable endeavours to try and obtain the following documents*.* If the organisation has undertaken reasonable endeavours to obtain these documents but it is clear that none are available, the GLA will be satisfied that grant may still be claimed for the acquisition/refurbishment/conversion/remodelling of the home. The information in these documents should not provide any indication that there may be combustible materials anywhere in the external wall system of the home to be acquired.

Delete as applicable:

Fire Risk Appraisal of External Wall (FRAEW) – available/not available

Design specification of the building’s construction – available/not available

Build contract detailing construction information – available/not available

Building Information Management (BIM) records – available/not available

Past intrusive surveys of the external wall system – available/not available

Other – please state:

1. **Confirmation there are no known building safety issues relating to the external wall**

If the building is over 18m, I confirm that I have verified with the GLA Building Safety Team that the building is not currently eligible for the Building Safety Fund, Private Sector Cladding Remediation Fund, or Social Sector Cladding Remediation Fund with identified combustible material on the external wall, by contacting them on bsfapplication@london.gov.uk.

I also confirm that I or officers in my organisation have taken such steps as amount to reasonable endeavours to verify that there are no known building safety issues with the building currently documented in the public domain, for buildings of any height, or disclosed privately by the current building owner, and that no section 20 notices have been issued to existing leaseholders documenting that remediation work is needed to the external walls of the building.

In the event combustible materials are identified in the external walls of the home after purchase, I or officers in my organisation will notify the GLA.

Tick to confirm statement above:

Signature:

Print name:

Date: