Dear Mr Fairfield

Thank you for your email dated 24 September 2019, requesting information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 on Asbestos at Primark, Belfast

To enable the Council to respond, I seek your clarification in relation to:

4. Before the fire, what inspections were undertaken of the Primark facility by council officials in respect of safety?

Are your referring to inspections undertaken by council officials of Primark, Bank Buildings under health & safety at work legislation? I would be obliged if you would direct me to the information you require

6. What recommendations were made to Primark at the time of the inspections to meet the current health and safety criterium?

I am unsure what you mean when you refer to 'current health and safety criterium'? I would be obliged if you would direct me to the information you require. The dutyholder is required to comply with health and safety at work legislation

7. What action was taken by Primark and the it was taken as per question 6 to rectify any concerns raised by the council in respect of the asbestos contained within their Belfast City Centenaries facility?

I do not understand the question, I would be obliged if you would direct me to the information you require.

I should explain that the Council is permitted to seek this clarification under Section 1 (3) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000, and it is not required to respond to your request until you provide this information.

If you are dissatisfied with how the Council handled your request for information, you have the right to request that the Council formally review this decision. If you wish to do so, please write to the Records Manager, Belfast City Council, Chief Executive's Department, City Hall, Belfast, BT1 5GS.

Should you remain dissatisfied following the Council's internal review; you can seek an independent review from the Information Commissioner. Requests for an independent review should be made in writing to: The Information Commissioner, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF. However, I would advise you that the Information Commissioner has indicated that a review will not be undertaken unless the Council has first had an opportunity to re-consider its decision.

Should you wish to discuss the above then please do not hesitate to contact me

Yours sincerely

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