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Mr Sadiq Khan
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Dear Mayor Khan,

The Grenfell tower is 67 metres tall. The tallest aerial platform vehicle operated by the London Fire Brigade can reach 32 metres.

There are commercial organisations in London that own and operate hydraulic aerial platforms that can reach to 90 metres.

The International Powered Access Federation is a UK-based, non-profit, organisation representing the manufacturers and owners of such equipment. Our members would like to investigate with your office whether such resources could be made available in emergency situations.

The machines I am referring to are lorry mounted mobile elevating work platforms which are able to reach more than 90 metres and transport up to six people. They are similar to the equipment used by the London Fire Brigade but have been developed for commercial use.

There are important differences in design and use, but our members would like to review whether such equipment could play a useful role in responding to any future emergencies involving high rise buildings.

I would welcome the opportunity to meet relevant representatives to review whether there could be merit in this idea.

Please let me know if you feel a meeting would be useful. I can be reached on 015395 66700 or via email at tim.whiteman@ipaf.org

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Tim Whiteman', with a long, sweeping horizontal line extending to the right.

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