

Grenfell Tower

Memorial Commission

Grenfell Tower Memorial Commission Meeting: 7 October 2025

Attendees

Memorial Commission

Thelma Stober (Chair)

Community representatives

(Bereaved
representatives)

Hanan Wahabi

Sandra Ruiz

Paulos Tekle

(Survivor

representatives)

Hanan Cherbika

Abraham Abebe

(Lancaster West and
community

representatives)

Susan Al Safadi

Abbas Dadou

Samia Badani

Apologies:

Adel Chaoui

Hassan Hassan

Nabil Choucair

Mohammad Rasoul

Andrea Newton

Lord Paul Boateng

Secretariat

Grenfell Tower Memorial Commission Secretariat, 4 individuals

Other

Peter Neal, Independent Landscape Design Adviser

Camilla Sheldon, Ministry of Housing Communities and Local Government
(MHCLG)

Helen Town, MHCLG

Ben Cook, MHCLG

Meeting purpose

The seventieth meeting of the Memorial Commission to discuss the design team selection, outcome and announcement.

Opening

- A one-minute silence was held at the start of the meeting.

- Thelma Stober opened the meeting, welcoming all in attendance.
- It was confirmed that the meeting was quorate.
- The secretariat presented the minutes from the July meeting for approval, along with an update on the risk register and action log.

Agenda Item 1: design team selection update and MHCLG update

- MHCLG highlighted that this was a comprehensive and inclusive design team selection process, from the initial bids, site briefing and visit, community listening sessions, participatory design workshop, engagement sessions in the summer, the teams' final presentations and the evaluation stages throughout the process.
- MHCLG added that due diligence work was undertaken throughout across the twenty-eight initial submissions, and more detailed checks on the five shortlisted bids and additional check for the preferred bidder.
- MHCLG indicated their intention to conclude the procurement process and contact all the bidders to advise on the outcome. and explained the chronology of the award process, including details of the the standstill period.

Action

MHCLG to notify all bidders and provide feedback. Secretariat to discuss the role of the Commission in the next steps of the process at the next GTMC meeting.

Agenda Item 2: design team announcement

- The secretariat gave a brief outline of the communications plan being developed to support the announcement of the team, which includes direct and accessible communications out to the Grenfell community, as well as media engagement, and will give further details at the next GTMC meeting on 23 October.

AOB

- A community representative raised that within the timeline of the memorial, it will be important for the design team to work closely with families who continue to work with HM Coroner in relation to the remains that are currently in her care.

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Next meeting: Thursday 23 October 2025