

Fire Engineering Expert Hub (Fire Hub)

The Scottish Building Standards Hub operates, manages, and supports the fire engineering hub of experts. This is known as the Fire Hub.

A panel of industry and public sector experts providing national-level opinion and guidance on fire-related matters in the Scottish building standards system.

WHAT DOES THE FIRE HUB DO?

- ◆ Providing expert opinion as part of national reviews relating to fire.
- ◆ Evaluates innovative fire-related products, technologies, and construction.
- ◆ Offers expert opinion on nationwide construction/remediation matters concerning fire.
- ◆ Advises on ministerial-level matters of fire safety.

PURPOSE OF THE FORUM

- Brings together organisations and professionals with an interest in fire engineering within the Scottish building standards system.
- Supports local authority verifiers and wider stakeholders by discuss emerging issues and national matters.
- Contributes to the Scottish Government's response to the Grenfell Tower Inquiry (Phase 2).

REMIT & RESPONSIBILITIES

- Advise on emergency challenges etc.
- Collaborate on solutions related to policy and building regulations.
- Advise on changes to:
 - * Building regulations
 - * Technical Handbooks
 - * Other fire-related guidance.

OVERARCHING AIMS

- Promote collaboration to improve fire safety in buildings and the built environment.
- Identify and analyse long-term challenges, including new technologies and changes in working practices.
- Provide updates on relevant work across the Scottish Government, SBSH, and other stakeholders.

SBSH MEMBERSHIP:

- Scottish Building Standards Hub (SBSH).
- Scottish Government - Building Standards Division.
- Local Authority Building Standards Scotland (LABSS).
- Scottish Fire and Rescue Service (SFRS).
- Institution of Fire Engineers.
- Relevant Industry Stakeholders.