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CONTRACTORS are now back on site to complete all remaining cladding works at Clyne Court in Sketty.

The works follow a Welsh Government announcement late last week that the cladding being used on Swansea Council’s high-rise properties has passed UK Government fire safety tests.

Fire service guidance also says all remaining cladding works should be completed.

Most of the remaining cladding work will take place Clyne Court’s block two, with small amounts of work needed on blocks one and three.

Swansea Council has written to all Clyne Court tenants to keep them updated.

Cllr Andrea Lewis, Swansea Council’s Cabinet Member for Housing, Energy and Building Services, said: “We were the first council in the UK to get an independent ‘whole system’ test pass for the cladding systems used on our blocks of high-rise flats, so the news that our cladding systems have now also passed the UK Government’s fire safety tests is further reassurance for our tenants, whose safety will always be of paramount importance.

“Due to our cladding systems passing these tests, and in line with fire service guidance, work to finish all remaining cladding at Clyne Court has now re-started, with every effort being made to minimise disruption to tenants throughout the project.

“Work will also start in November to fit sprinkler systems in all our high-rise accommodation buildings, which should give further comfort to our tenants in the wake of the Grenfell Tower disaster in London.”
One-hour fire resistant doors and hard-fitted smoke alarms are in place at the council’s high-rise properties, communal areas are regularly checked for fire hazards and night-time patrols have been introduced to further reassure tenants.

Cllr Lewis said: “In line with Welsh Government guidance, we’ll continue to take professional advice on fire safety in our high-rise residential buildings, so we’ll be working as closely as possible alongside the fire service and our tenants.”

Tenants also have information on what to do in the event of a fire.

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