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Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you for your information request of 16 February 2016. Aberdeen City Council (ACC) has completed the necessary search for the information requested.

When ACC has raises a detailed serious disrepair notice on a property and then appoint a technical agent who then engages a contractors, what detailed steps does ACC take to ensure that the works have been carried out and completed to a high standard prior to release of grant monies?

The legislation which allowed the Council to serve Notices of Serious Disrepair was repealed by the Scottish Government some years ago, however prior to its repeal ACC served many such Notices usually upon owners of flatted blocks to allow repairs to be carried out as necessary to bring the buildings back into a good state of repair. These Notices attracted grant assistance and the owners were encouraged to appoint technical agents to organise and co-ordinate the repair works and the grant applications. The technical agents were expected to oversee the onsite works and a Grants Officer would inspect the completed works. The grant monies were paid out upon satisfactory completion of the works, although it must be understood that the Grants Officer did not provide a 'Clerk of Works' service and therefore did not oversee the day-to-day onsite repair works. In conclusion, and for the avoidance of doubt:

- At no time did ACC appoint a technical agent or a contractor.
- The technical agents employed by the owners were responsible for overseeing the onsite repair works, therefore any queries or concerns regarding the quality of the works was/ is a matter between the owners and their appointed agents.

We hope this helps with your request.

Yours sincerely,

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INFORMATION ABOUT THE HANDLING OF YOUR REQUEST

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