

	<p>Whilst in this case this would have been unlikely to have prevented the death, in other cases smoke alarms certainly allow earlier detection of fires and the prevention of deaths, and the limitation of spread of fire to adjacent properties as emergency services are called earlier.</p> <p>Evidence from the Fire Brigade investigator was that Local Authorities currently have no legal powers to enforce smoke or carbon monoxide (CO) detectors to be installed in privately rented property. Had the property been rented from the LA, they could have ensured that such safety systems would have been in place.</p> <p>Other LAs have registered landlord schemes that ensure that in order to be registered smoke and CO detectors must be installed.</p>
5	<p>Matters of Concern</p> <p>That those living in privately rented accommodation within the London Borough of Wandsworth are at greater risk of death from exposure to fire or CO, as it does not currently have registered landlord scheme through which in order to be registered smoke and CO detectors would have to be installed.</p>
6	<p>ACTION SHOULD BE TAKEN</p> <p>In my opinion action should be taken to prevent future deaths and I believe you [AND/OR your organisation] have the power to take such action. It is for each addressee to respond to matters relevant to them.</p>
7	<p>YOUR RESPONSE</p> <p>You are under a duty to respond to this report within 56 days of the date of this report. I, the coroner, may extend the period.</p> <p>Your response must contain details of action taken or proposed to be taken, setting out the timetable for action. Otherwise you must explain why no action is proposed.</p>
8	<p>COPIES and PUBLICATION</p> <p>I have sent a copy of my report to the Chief Coroner and to the following Interested Persons :</p> <p>██████████, 102, New Park Road, London. SW2 4LN.</p> <p>██████████ Station Officer Fire Investigation Team G/W, Dowgate Fire Station, 2nd Floor, 94-95 Upper Thames Street, London. EC4R 3UE. ██</p> <p>I am also under a duty to send the Chief Coroner a copy of your response.</p> <p>The Chief Coroner may publish either or both in a complete or redacted or summary form. He may send a copy of this report to any person who he believes may find it useful</p>

	or of interest. You may make representations to me, the coroner, at the time of your response, about the release or the publication of your response by the Chief Coroner.
9	8th April 2022 Professor Fiona J Wilcox HM Senior Coroner Inner West London Westminster Coroner's Court 65, Horseferry Road London SW1P 2ED Inner West London Coroner's Court, 33, Tachbrook Street, London. SW1V 2JR [REDACTED]