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Evidence at the Grenfell Tower Inquiry said that central government knew the type of cladding used on the tower should never ever have been used above 18 meters from September 2002.

Matt Wrack, the general secretary of the Fire Brigades union has said questions have to be asked about why it has taken almost five years to start to get these key facts.

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Companies in Scotland will benefit from a £300m fund for climate-friendly heating.

Applications for the Heat Network Fund, announced by Scottish Government, can be submitted right now, with the works completed by March 30<sup>th</sup> 2024.

Elsewhere, and the Building Engineering Services Association has reported that there has been a dramatic improvement in the payment habits of main contractors.

Around half of large construction firms now claim to be paying subcontractors within less than 30 days.

The Workplace Data Census for 2022 launched this week. The census is designed to develop better

understanding of access, use and values of workplace data. Companies have been invited to enter with details on the FMBD website.

Business now and Serco Leisure has announced that it has won a 10-year contract in Mansfield.

Starting in May, the contract extends the company's relationship with Mansfield District Council beginning with an initial contract win in 2012.

Chartwells Universities has signed a deal with Swansea University to revolutionise its catering offer.

The 10-year agreement is worth £58 million and is built around an extensive research project looking into the habits of Gen Z consumers after the pandemic.

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Finally, and the CIBSE has launched an embodied carbon calculator – giving engineers an estimation of the embodied carbon associated with mechanical, electrical and public health systems.

The digital tool will help consultants, researchers and manufacturers and is available now.

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