

General Inspection Report

(BC08)

REPORT No.34

MAIN TOWERS N & S

DATE: 05/02/1999 TO 01/04/1999

THE NORTH AND SOUTH TOWER STRUCTURES WERE VISUALLY INSPECTED OVER AN INTERMITTANT PERIOD OF SOME 8 WEEKS. BOTH TOWER STRUCTURES WERE INSPECTED INTERNALLY & EXTERNALLY.

(EXTERNALLY, ONLY WHERE ACCESS AVAILABLE & USING OPTICAL EQUIP).

GENERAL CONDITION: ALTHOUGH SOME 155 ELEMENT DEFECTS WERE REPORTED THE MECHANICAL STRUCTURES APPEAR SATISFACTORY. 27no. ELEMENT DEFECTS ARE OF A MINOR SAFETY OR INFORMATION ONLY NATURE, WITH THE BULK OF THE REMAINING DEFECTS REPORTED BEING OF A CORROSION OR ELECTRICAL NATURE.

PAINTWORK: CONSIDERABLE OVERPAINTING IN THE CELLS HAS BEEN CARRIED OUT. THIS PROGRAMME OF WORKS IS ONGOING.

ELECTRICAL: AS LAST INSPECTION, EXISTING/OLD INSTALLATIONS ARE IN A VERY BAD STATE OF REPAIR, WITH CABLES AND FITTINGS HANGING THROUGHOUT.

WATER INGRESS: AS LAST INSPECTION, STILL SIGNS OF WATER THROUGHOUT.

THE BASES HAVE HAD DRAINAGE WORKS CARRIED OUT AND WERE GENERALLY DRY AT TIME OF INSPECTION.

LIFTS: THE LIFTS ARE CURRENTLY ON A SERVICE CONTRACT AND ARE SUBJECT TO INSURANCE INSPECTIONS AT SIX MONTHLY INTERVALS. (FEB 1999 INSPECTION REPORTS ENCLOSED).

CYCLE TRACK BRACKETS: INSPECTIONS HAVE BEEN POSTPONED THIS TERM DUE TO SUSPENDER REPLACEMENT WORKS, ie, WOULD RESTRICT ACCESS ALONG CYCLE PATHS FOR CONTRACTORS.

ALL DEFECTS DETAILED AND ENTERED ON THE STRUCTURE REPORT PROGRAMME.