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Dear Headteacher

Property Maintenance and Building Services Compliance Works

This letter is being sent to all schools in the MASS Scheme to request that action is taken to ensure that access is provided to the County Council's contractors to enable essential property maintenance and / or building services compliance activity to be completed.

The County Council recognises that the challenges arising from managing schools in accordance with Covid-19 Secure guidelines are significant. However, the Health and Safety Executive has emphasised that it expects that all properties will remain compliant with all statutory requirements, including those associated with building services (including boilers, fire alarms and other equipment). It is, therefore, important that access is provided to enable this work to be completed when it is required.

The County Council is working closely with its contractors to ensure that the works that are undertaken currently are those which are essential to ensure that the property meets with the compliance regulations or to address building failure. In the event that a contractor does contact you to request access, therefore, I would be grateful if that access could be made available.

Please note that all of the County Council's contractors have reviewed their risk assessments and working arrangements to ensure that they are compliant with the Covid-19 working arrangements, and that their work continues to be monitored by the County Council.

In the event that you would like to discuss any issues arising from this then please contact: -

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Thank you for your cooperation with this issue

Yours sincerely

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