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Election Statement

My work focuses on façade remediation projects following the Grenfell tragedy. For nearly two years, I have been leading reclad jobs across England, but primarily in Brighton. These projects have formulated my vision my purpose as an architect – to emphasise the central role of people in the design process. Regardless of our roles on the projects – as a Part I or as a Principle Designer – each of us should be putting people who will be in or around our buildings at the heart of every design or management decision we make. Architecture is not only about creating aesthetically pleasing environment, it is also about ensuring safety of people who are in and around our buildings. Architecture is not only about operating with the clients' money either, it is also about dealing with people's lives.