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The golden thread should...
- Use digital tools and systems for effective storage and use of safety information.
- Support duty holders and Accountable Persons throughout the building's lifecycle.
- Incorporate all necessary information for building understanding and management.
- Easily provide information to the right people at the right time.
- Create a higher standard of information keeping to support building safety regulations.

Scope of the golden thread
- Applies to buildings at least 18 meters high or with at least 7 storeys (during design and construction).
- Includes care homes and hospitals meeting the same height threshold (during design and construction).
- Legal responsibilities on duty holders (during design and construction).
- Accountable Person responsible for safety in higher-risk buildings (during occupation).

What's the golden thread?
- The information that allows someone to understand a building and keep it safe.
- The information management to ensure the information is accurate, easily understandable, can be accessed by those who need it and is up to date.

Golden thread principles
- Must be accurate and trusted
- Allows residents to feel secure in their homes
- Supports culture change in the industry
- Provides a single source of truth
- Must be secure
- Must be accountable
- Must be understandable and consistent
- Must be simple to access
- Must promote longevity, durability and shareability of information
- Must provide relevant information

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Information required:
- Registration and certification information.
- Safety case and safety case report.
- Mandatory occurrence reporting.
- Resident engagement information.

For a full brief of the requirements, we recommend talking to a qualified building surveyor.