## Panasonic Toughpad FZ-M1 System Board Replacement

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Remove the battery and the screws marked in red



Here's the type of screw used in the top section (which covers the SSD and optional modules)

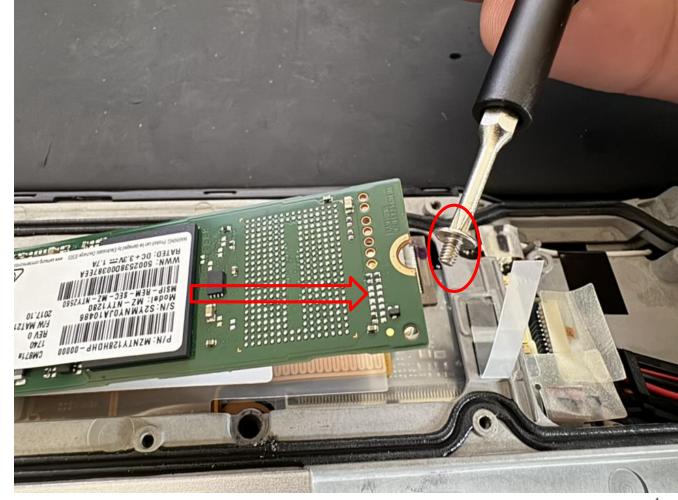


Here's the type of screw used in the bottom section (above the Micro SD Card / SIM Card slots)

Remove any cards at this time



Remove the M.2 SSD



Remove the four screws from the corners of the bumpers, then slide the bumpers off



Remove the two screws next to the docking connector, then gently pry off the black plastic



Remove the two screws holding on the metal around the docking connector



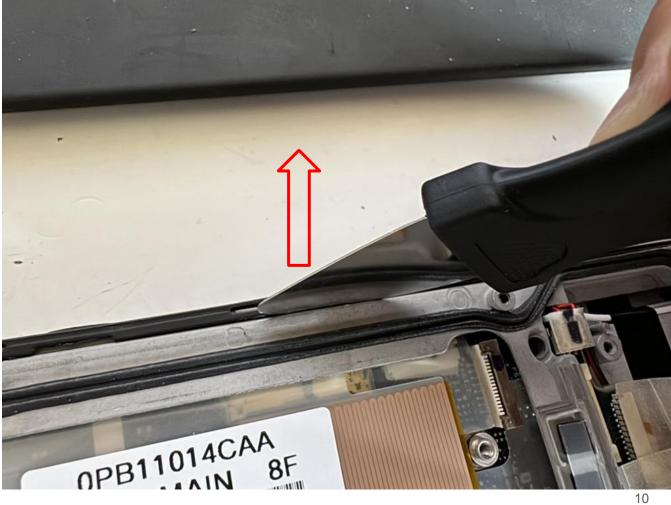
Remove the two screws holding on the battery latch



Remove the two screws on the button panel



Gently pry off the button panel



Remove this screw



Remove this screw



Remove this screw too!



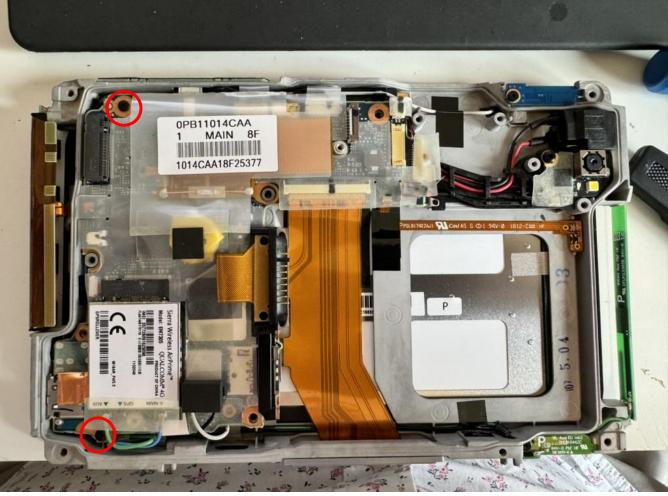
Hey, just remove all the screws!



Gently pry around the edges of the back case and it'll come off in your hand



Another two screws to remove



Ooh, some things to remove that aren't screws!



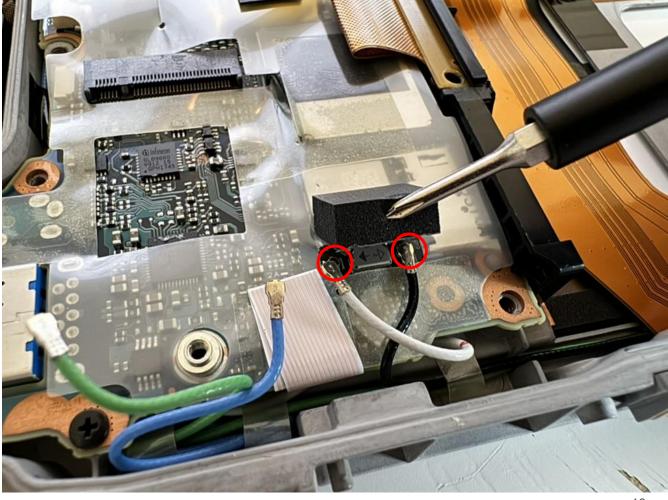
Another screw

Then remove the WWAN card

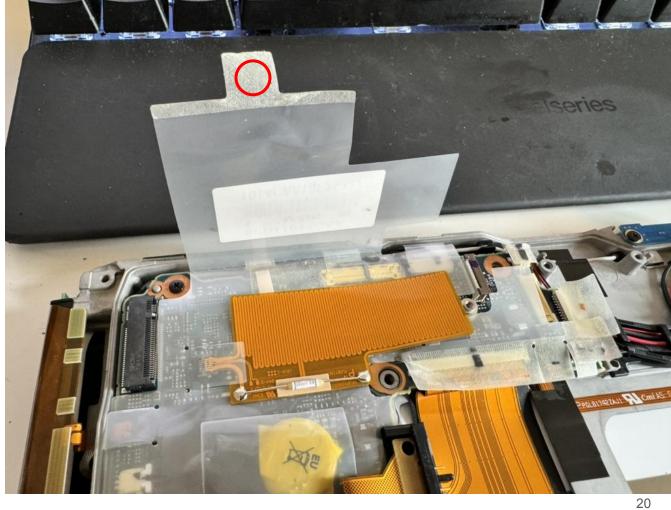


What do we have here?

Another pair of co-ax connectors attached to the WAN/BT module on the system board. Gently pull them off



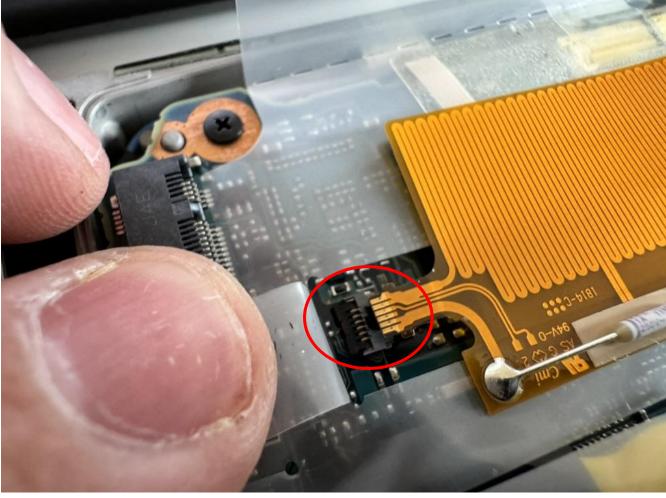
Peel back this sticky plastic bit



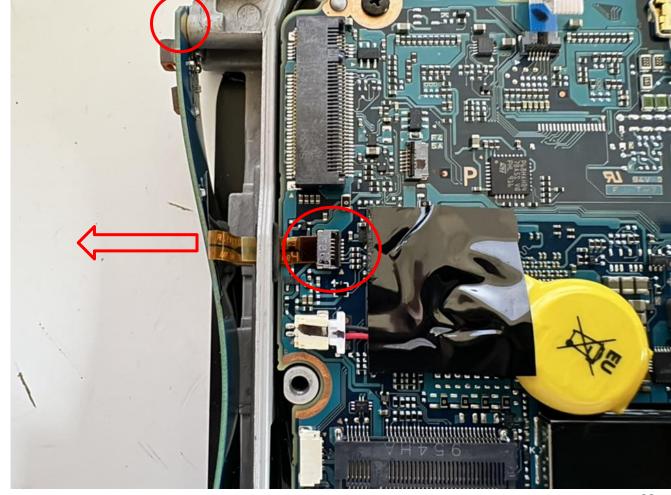
Pull back this plastic to reveal the SSD Heater connection

Flip the clasp and gently remove the connector

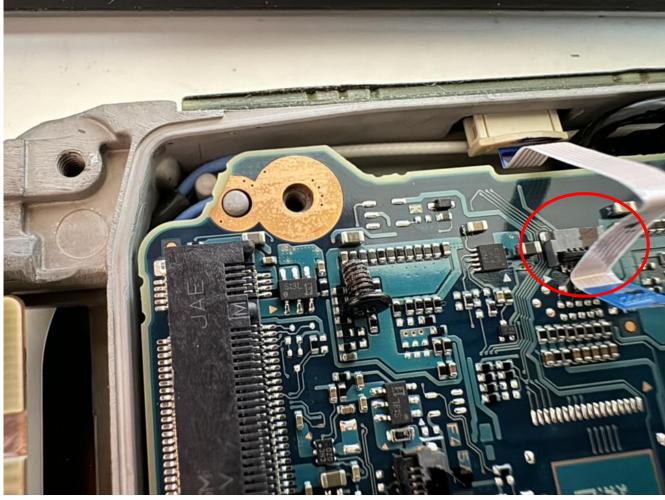
Gently remove the SSD heater flexible PCB - it's stuck on to the plastic with adhesive tape



Remove this screw, flip the clasp, and SUPER GENTLY remove this flexible pcb through the rubber grommet and away from the system board

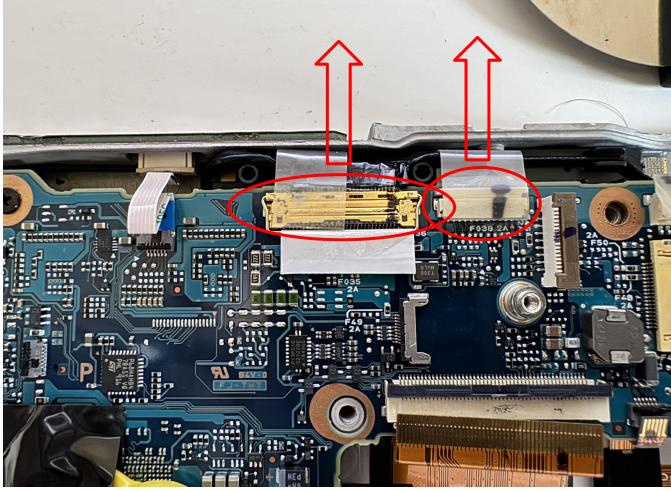


Flip another clasp and remove the ribbon

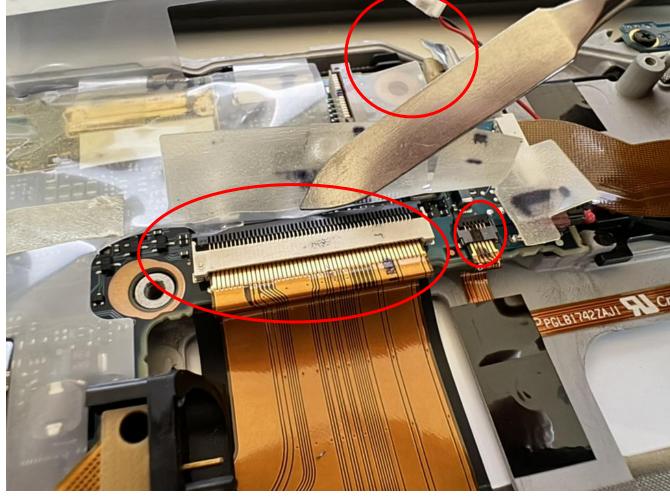


Peel back the sticky plastic and remove the right-hand connector

Similar for the left-hand connector, but this has a fancy flippy metal handle to help you pull it out

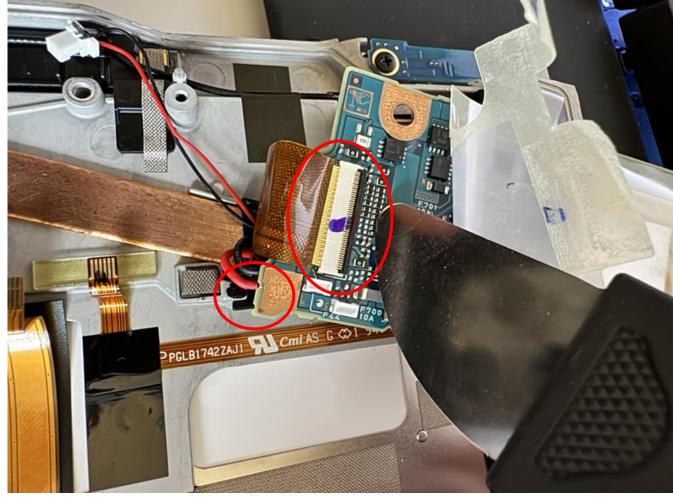


Another two flippy clasp things and one speaker connector to remove here



Gently maneuver the system board so it is free from the chassis, and flip it over to reveal the final ribbon connector clasp

Oh, and the charging plug too



Woot, here's the system board on its own

Congrats!

Refitting is the reverse of removal :)

