

Futures Fire Risk Assessment

Futures Homescape, Community Centre Fairfield Road: DE7 6DD, - UPRN: 6 / 173582 / QA Approved / Paul Doodson

Complete

Flagged items	2	Actions	19
SITE NAME:			Futures Homescape, Community Centre Fairfield Road: DE7 6DD, - UPRN: 6, Fire Risk Assessments, Futures Homescape
PROPERTY IMAGE			
Photo 1			
UPRN:			6
JOB NUMBER:			173582
FRA COMPLETED BY:			Pennington Choices Limited
FIRE RISK ASSESSOR NAME:			Adrian Gallimore
INSPECTION DATE:			14 Nov 2023
REPORT STATUS:			QA Approved
REASSESSMENT PRIORITY			Medium - 2 Years
VALID TO: (QA Use Only)			24 Nov 2025
VALIDATION DATE: (QA Use Only)			24 Nov 2023
VALIDATED BY: (QA Use Only)			Paul Doodson

VALIDATOR'S SIGNATURE: (QA Use Only)



Photo 2

Flagged items & Actions	2 flagged, 19 actions
Flagged items	2 flagged, 0 actions
Assessment Risk Ratings / Premises Risk Rating	
Accordingly, it is considered that the risk to life from fire at these premises is:	MODERATE
Assessment Risk Ratings	
On satisfactory completion of all remedial works the risk rating of this building may be reduced to	TOLERABLE
Other actions	19 actions
Detailed Risk Assessment Part 2 / A - Electrical Ignition Sources / A1	
Is the fixed electrical installation periodically inspected and tested, (include dates if known)?	No

The consumer unit label shows that the last fixed wiring test was completed in February 2010 with a re-test date as 02/2020.



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A1

Management should ensure that the fixed wiring has been tested in-line with Policy Principle and that adequate records are maintained.

No

Detailed Risk Assessment Part 2 / A - Electrical Ignition Sources / A2

Is PAT testing in common areas carried out?

The label to the microwave shows that the the last PAT on the appliance was completed February 2023, however, there is a kettle in the kitchen that was not labelled.



Photo 6

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A2

Management should ensure that all portable electrical appliances are PAT tested in line with Policy Principle.

Detailed Risk Assessment Part 2 / A - Electrical Ignition Sources / A3

Is there a policy for personal electrical appliances (consider restrictions of communal supply points such as outlets and T pin outlets)?

Unknown

No

No

No personal electrical appliances were identified as the centre was not in use at the time of assessment. It was not possible to establish the policy for Community Centre users that may use their own electrical appliances such as charging of mobile phones etc.

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А3

Management should confirm the policy on the use of personal electrical appliances within the Community Centre and ensure that it is communicated to centre users.

Detailed Risk Assessment Part 2 / B - Smoking Policies / B2

Is the policy being adhered to and are "No smoking" signs provided in the common areas?

There was no evidence of illicit smoking within the Community Centre. There is no signage displayed at point of entry.

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B2

Management should ensure that 'no smoking' signage is displayed at point of entry. The sign must state 'It is against the law to smoke on these premises' in order to comply with current legislation.

Detailed Risk Assessment Part 2 / C - Arson / C2

Are bins secured or fire loading stored in a suitable location? (Please state bin type, location, if and how it is secured)

The kitchen waste bin was overflowing at the time of assessment.



Photo 7

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C2

Management should ensure that waste bins are emptied after use or on a regular basis.

Detailed Risk Assessment Part 2 / D - Portable Heaters and Installations / D2

Are fixed heating systems maintained annually?

The landlord's Certificate within the kitchen states that the last gas safety inspection was completed on 19/06/2023. However, the resident from the dwelling above complained as the assessor was leaving the premises that the UPRN on the certificate relates to 6 Fairfield Road, which is a dwelling of the local housing scheme (apparently available on-line). The UPRN on the certificate is indeed 6.



Photo 8

Photo 9

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D2

Management should liaise with approved contractor to ensure that the certificate is correct and that a gas safety inspection has been completed within the last 12 months.

Detailed Risk Assessment Part 2 / E - Cooking / E1

Are reasonable measures in place to prevent fires as a result of cooking, including replacing filter(where necessary)?

Unknown

There is an electrical cooker within the Community Centre kitchen. There is also a gas cooker that has been isolated. It was not possible to establish how often the kitchen is used or what rules are in place for cooking etc. The microwave has been PAT tested however, there is no PAT test evident to the kettle (see A2).









Photo 10

Photo 11

Photo 12

Photo 13

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E1

Management should ensure that there are rules is place for using the electric cooker and that rules are communicated to Community Centre users.

Detailed Risk Assessment Part 2 / F - Lightning / F1

Does the building have a lightning protection system?

FHG Policy Principle confirms that there is no lightning protection installed.

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F1

It is PCL recommendation that advice is sought from a competent person to determine whether lightning protection is required or not for the building in accordance with BS EN 62305-2:2012.

Detailed Risk Assessment Part 2 / G - Housekeeping / G2

Are the escape routes kept clear of items combustible materials or waste and free of any trip hazards?

No

A trailing hosepipe is located on the paved area outside of the rear exit doors.



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G2

Management should ensure that the hosepipe is removed and that external escape routes are kept clear of trip hazards.

Detailed Risk Assessment Part 2 / G - Housekeeping / G3

Are mobility scooters or electric vehicles stored in the means of escape? If yes has an assessment been undertaken in line with the NFCC "Mobility Scooter Guidance for Residential Buildings"?

Unknown

No mobility scooters were identified however, the centre was not in use at the time of assessment. It is likely that members of the local community may attend the centre in a mobility scooter. It was not possible to establish if a risk assessment has been completed as the information was not accessible at the time of assessment.

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G3

Management should confirm if they allow the charging of mobility scooters within the Community Centre. Where charging is allowed, management should ensure that there is a suitable risk assessment in place. Any risk assessment should take into account any risks associated with Lithium Ion batteries.

Detailed Risk Assessment Part 2 / K - Means of Escape / K6

Are travel distances satisfactory? (consider single direction and more than one direction, property risk profile and occupancy characteristics)

Unknown

Travel distances and occupancy would be acceptable for persons seated at tables however, safe occupancy would be exceeded if additional chairs were in use. The main sitting room is 42sq.metres with seating around tables for 24 persons with additional chairs around the room for a further 17 persons. The density factor for persons seated is 1.5 allowing an occupancy of 28 persons seated.

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K6

Management should ensure that no greater than 28 (seated) persons should occupy the main sitting room. It is advisable that additional chairs are removed to storage in order to prevent over occupancy.

Detailed Risk Assessment Part 2 / K $\,$ - Means of Escape / K12

Are there any other issues that could affect the means of escape, for example plastic conduit/loose

cables not secured by fire rated fastening?

Unknown

Conduit and cables were noted throughout the premises and it was not possible to confirm that the requirements of Regulation 521.10.202 of the BS 7671 - 18th Edition of The IET Wiring Regulations, which requires all cables to be adequately supported using non-combustible fixings to prevent premature collapse in the event of a fire. The new regulation is not applied retrospectively so any wiring systems fitted before 2019 do not need to be immediately updated. Any new installation or additions and alterations to existing systems, including temporary wiring, have to comply with the regulations.











Photo 21



Photo 22

Photo 17

Photo 18

Photo 19

Photo 20





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K12

Management is to consider the requirements of the Regulation 521.10.202 of the BS 7671 - 18th Edition The IET Wiring Regulations which requires all cables to be adequately supported using non-combustible fixings to prevent premature collapse in the event of a fire albeit not retrospective and seek the advice of a suitably qualified competent person or organisation and undertake any remediation identified by the aforementioned competent person or organisation.

Detailed Risk Assessment Part 2 / M - Common Area Fire Doors / M1

Are all common area fire door and frames in good condition and appropriately fire rated?

Fire doors are fitted to sitting rooms and the kitchen. Doors are not labelled and it was not possible to confirm fire rating. Intumescent strips, self closure devices and reinforced glass viewing panels are fitted. However, intumescent strips are painted over, this will affect the integrity of the seal in a fire. Hinges do not appear to be fire rated.



Photo 24







Photo 31



Photo 26



Photo 32



Photo 27



Photo 33



Photo 28



Photo 34



No

Photo 29



Photo 35





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M1

Management should ensure that fire doors are repaired. Where they cannot be repaired, they should be replaced with certified self closing fire door sets to FD30 specification. Any installation or repair should only be completed by a certified third-party fire door contractor.

Detailed Risk Assessment Part 2 / N - Emergency Lighting / N2

If EL not provided, is borrowed/artificial lighting sufficient for escape? (Internal and external)

No external emergency lighting was detected. It was not possible to establish if borrowed lighting is sufficient as the assessment was completed during daylight hours.



Photo 46

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N2

Management should ensure that there is external emergency lighting installed above exits. Any work necessary to be carried out by a third party accredited contractor.

Detailed Risk Assessment Part 2 / P - Means of Giving Warning in Case of Fire / P6

Where appropriate, are there adequate arrangements for silencing and resetting an alarm condition?

Unknown

Unknown

No

It was not possible to establish the arrangements for silencing and resetting the AFD system.

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P6

Management should confirm the arrangements for silencing and resetting the AFD system and ensure that it is communicated to Community Centre users.

Detailed Risk Assessment Part 2 / Q - Measures to Limit Fire Spread and Development / Q1

Is there adequate levels of compartmentation between floors and between flats and the common escape routes?

Walls are solid with emulsion painted plaster / wallpaper covering with plaster boarded ceilings and solid floors. No obvious penetrations were identified. It was not possible to establish the level of compartmentation between the Community Centre and dwelling above.



Photo 62



Photo 64



Photo 66

Photo 67



Photo 68

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Q1

Management are advised to ensure that compartmentation is adequate between the Community Centre and the separate dwelling above.

Detailed Risk Assessment Part 2 / Q - Measures to Limit Fire Spread and Development / Q8

Are soft furnishings in common areas appropriate to limit fire spread/growth?

Soft furnishings were inspected and labelled to confirm that they are of fire retardant material, however, the standard on the label refers to furniture for domestic premises only and not commercial.



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Q8

Management should ensure that soft furnishings are removed and replaced with those of suitable fire retardant materials in accordance with BS7176 (commercial properties).

Detailed Risk Assessment Part 2 / R - Fire Extinguishing Appliances / R1

If required, is there reasonable provision of accessible portable fire extinguishers?

There are 2 x 9Ltr 27A rated Foam and 1 x 2kg CO2 units installed. 9Ltr units are considered excessive for the size of compartmentation. Community Centre users are unlikely to be trained on extinguisher use and there is no signage displayed to advise that they should only be used by trained persons.







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R1

Management should ensure that signage is displayed at fire points to state 'only to be used by trained persons'. Management should consider replacing Foam units with 6Ltr size at unit end of life which is likely to offer a small cost saving.

Detailed Risk Assessment Part 2 / T - Procedures and Arrangements / T2

Has a competent person(s) been appointed to assist in undertaking the preventative and protective measures including in house checks?

Unknown

It was not possible to ascertain if there is a competent person appointed for this property.

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T2

Management should confirm that there is a competent person in place to undertake the preventative and protective measures for this property.

Detailed Risk Assessment Part 1	
1. General Information	
1.1 FRA Type:	Type 1 (Non-Destructive)
1.2 Property Type:	Purpose Built Community Centre
1.3 Property Designation:	Community Centre
1.4 Responsible Person:	Lindsey Williams - CEO Futures Housing Group
1.5 No of Floors:	1
1.6 No of Flats (if applicable):	0
There is one floor to the Community Centre, however, there is a separate	e dwelling above.
1.7 Ground Floor Area (m2):	60
1.8 Total Area of all Floors (m2)	60
1.9 Building Description:	

A purpose built Community Centre. The entrance leads to a small foyer with a kitchen to the right and a reading room to the left, store cupboard and toilets. There is a door from the foyer leading to the Community Centre sitting room. Exits are via the front entrance and French doors to the rear.

1.10 Building Construction:

Traditional brick built property with pitched, tiled roof (dwelling above). Internal walls are solid with some emulsion painted plaster and some wallpapered covering. Ceilings are plastered with emulsion / wallpaper. Floor are solid.

1.11 Extent of common areas:

Entrance foyer, toilets, reading room, sitting room and kitchen.

1.12 Areas of the building to which access was not available: All area were accessible.

1.13 If applicable, state which flats were sample inspected:

No dwellings - There is an unconnected separate flat above with own access doors.

2. The Occupants

2.1 Management Extent

Partially Managed Building - Manager or Senior Staff Not Onsite Regularly

2.2 Details of any onsite Management

There were no staff or management on site at the time of assessment. It is likely that the Community Centre is attended by FHG staff to complete in-house checks and maintenance activities. Staff may also use the Community Centre for welfare facilities when working in the area.

2.3 Person managing fire safety in the premises	Lindsey Williams, CEO, Futures Housing Group.
2.4 Person consulted during the fire risk assessment	No persons were consulted during the assessment.
2.5 Number of occupants (maximum estimated)	
The community centre was not occupied a the time of assessmen The main sitting room is 42sq.metres with seating around tables seating around the room for 17 persons. The density factor for pe occupancy of 28 persons seated.	for 24 persons with an additional
2.6 Approximate maximum number of employees at any one time	Refer to 2.2.
2.7 Number of members of the public (maximum estimated)	

Refer to 2.5 - The centre is likely to be used by local members of the housing scheme.

2.8 Identify any people who are especially at risk (Sleeping Occupants, Disabled Occupants, Occupants in remote areas and Lone Workers, Young Persons, Others)

The community centre is unlikely to have sleeping occupants or young children present unless accompanied by a parent, guardian or responsible person. It is likely that community centre users may have varying disabilities however, it is reasonable to assume that would be able to make their own way there or with the assistance of a carer or helper.

3. Fire Safety Legislation

3.1 The following fire safety legislation applies to these premises	Regulatory Reform (Fire Safety) Order 2005
3.2 The above legislation is enforced by	Derbyshire Fire and Rescue Service
3.3 Other key fire safety legislation (other than Building Regs 2000)	None
3.4 The other legislation referred to above is enforced by	N/A.
3.5 Guidance used as applicable to premises and occupation	Small & Medium Places of Assembly
3.6 Is there an alteration or enforcement notice in force?	Unknown
None known to the assessor.	
3.7 Fire loss experience (since last FRA)	Unknown

None known to the assessor. There was no evidence of fire loss or damage at the time of assessment.

Detailed Risk Assessment Part 2	19 actions
A - Electrical Ignition Sources	3 actions
A1	1 action
Is the fixed electrical installation periodically inspected and tested, (include dates if known)?	No

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A1

Management should ensure that the fixed wiring has been tested in-line with Policy Principle and that adequate records are maintained.

Policy Principle: FHG complete Fixed wire testing in line with current regulations every 5 years and complete an annual visual inspection on all properties.

Action/Recommendation Required?:	Yes
Action Priority:	Medium - 3 Months
A2	1 action
Is PAT testing in common areas carried out?	No

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Photo 5



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A2

Management should ensure that all portable electrical appliances are PAT tested in line with Policy Principle.

Policy Principle: PAT testing is complete at the time of the visual inspection as mentioned above. All items in the communal areas will be tested.

Action/Recommendation Required?	Yes
Action Priority:	Medium - 3 Months
A3	1 action

Is there a policy for personal electrical appliances (consider restrictions of communal supply points such as outlets and T pin outlets)?

Unknown

No personal electrical appliances were identified as the centre was not in use at the time of assessment. It was not possible to establish the policy for Community Centre users that may use their own electrical appliances such as charging of mobile phones etc.

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A3

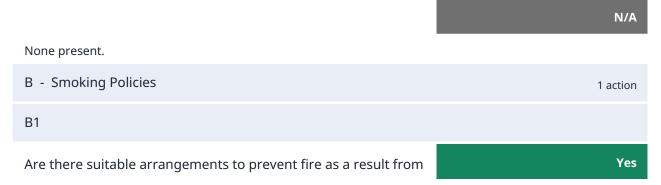
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Policy Principle: PAT testing is complete at the time of the visual inspection as mentioned above. All items in the communal areas will be tested.

Action/Recommendation Required?	Yes
Action Priority:	Recommendation - No Timescale
A4	
Is the use of adapters and leads limited?	N/A
No adaptors or leads were present at the time of assessment.	

A5

Are they any PV cells installed and do they have the appropriate isolation systems and signage to assist the fire and rescue service?



Policy Principle: No smoking policy in all communal areas- signage displayed.

B2

Is the policy being adhered to and are "No smoking" signs provided in the common areas?

There was no evidence of illicit smoking within the Community Centre. There is no signage displayed at point of entry.

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B2

Management should ensure that 'no smoking' signage is displayed at point of entry. The sign must state 'It is against the law to smoke on these premises' in order to comply with current legislation.

Action/Recommendation Required?	Yes
Action Priority:	Low - 12 Months
C - Arson	1 action
C1	
Are premises secure against arson by outsiders? (Please state how)	Yes
A standard security lock if fitted to the entrance.	
C2	1 action

Are bins secured or fire loading stored in a suitable location? (Please state bin type, location, if and how it is secured)

The kitchen waste bin was overflowing at the time of assessment.



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C2

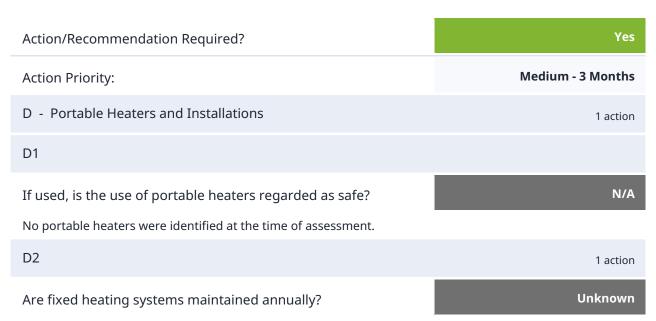
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1 action

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No



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D2

Management should liaise with approved contractor to ensure that the certificate is correct and that a gas safety inspection has been completed within the last 12 months.

Policy Principle: All Safety inspections carried out annually by qualified persons.

Action/Recommendation Required?	Yes
Action Priority:	Medium - 3 Months
E - Cooking	1 action
E1	1 action
Are reasonable measures in place to prevent fires as a result of cooking, including replacing filter(where necessary)?	Unknown

There is an electrical cooker within the Community Centre kitchen. There is also a gas cooker that has been isolated. It was not possible to establish how often the kitchen is used or what rules are in place for cooking etc. The microwave has been PAT tested however, there is no PAT test evident to the kettle (see A2).



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E1

Management should ensure that there are rules is place for using the electric cooker and that rules are communicated to Community Centre users.

Action/Recommendation Required?	Yes
Action Priority:	Medium - 3 Months
F - Lightning	1 action
F1	1 action
Does the building have a lightning protection system?	No

FHG Policy Principle confirms that there is no lightning protection installed.

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F1

It is PCL recommendation that advice is sought from a competent person to determine whether lightning protection is required or not for the building in accordance with BS EN 62305-2:2012.

Policy Principle: No lightning protection policy in place

Action/Recommendation Required?	Yes
Action Priority:	Recommendation - No Timescale
G - Housekeeping	2 actions
G1	
Are combustible materials kept away from any sources of ignition, including gas and electrical intake cupboards?	Yes
No issues were identified at the time of assessment.	
G2	1 action
Are the escape routes kept clear of items combustible materials or waste and free of any trip hazards?	Νο

A trailing hosepipe is located on the paved area outside of the rear exit doors.



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G2

Management should ensure that the hosepipe is removed and that external escape routes are kept clear of trip hazards.

Action/Recommendation Required?	Yes
Action Priority:	Medium - 3 Months
G3	1 action

Are mobility scooters or electric vehicles stored in the means of escape? If yes has an assessment been undertaken in line with the NFCC "Mobility Scooter Guidance for Residential Buildings"?

Unknown

No mobility scooters were identified however, the centre was not in use at the time of assessment. It is likely that members of the local community may attend the centre in a mobility scooter. It was not possible to establish if a risk assessment has been completed as the information was not accessible at the time of assessment.

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G3

Management should confirm if they allow the charging of mobility scooters within the Community Centre. Where charging is allowed, management should ensure that there is a suitable risk assessment in place. Any risk assessment should take into account any risks associated with Lithium Ion batteries.

Action/Recommendation Required?	Yes
Action Priority:	Recommendation - No Timescale
H - Hazards Introduced by Contractors	
H1	
Is there satisfactory control over works carried out in the building by contractors (e.g. hot work permits)?	Yes

Policy Principle: All contractors must submit RAMS for procurement processes, and these are reviewed annually by FHG. A specific risk assessment is to be completed for each job.

I - Dangerous Substances

I1

If dangerous substances are used, has a risk assessment been carried out as required by the Dangerous Substances and Explosives Atmospheres Regulations 2002 and are they stored correctly?

N/A

Yes

Yes

Yes

No dangerous substances were identified within common areas at the time of assessment.

J - Other Significant Hazards	
J1	
Are all issues deemed satisfactory? [1]	N/A
There were no additional significant hazards identified at the time of asse	essment.
J2	
Are all issues deemed satisfactory? [2]	N/A
There were no additional significant hazards identified at the time of asse	essment.
K - Means of Escape	2 actions
K1	

Is the escape route design deemed satisfactory? (Consider current design codes)

The escape route is satisfactory.

K2

Is the fire-resisting construction (including any glazing) protecting escape routes and staircases of a suitable standard and maintained in sound condition?

Walls are solid construction with wallpaper covering. Ceilings are textured paint over plaster and floors are solid.

К3

Is there adequate provision of exits (including exit Widths) for the numbers who may be present?

Exits are via the front door and rear exit from the sitting room. Exits / widths are adequate for the number that may be present.

Are doors on escape routes easily opened? (and are sliding or revolving doors avoided?)

Exits are fitted with thumb turn locks.

Photo 16



Exits open in the direction of travel.

K6

K5

Photo 15

Are travel distances satisfactory? (consider single direction and more than one direction, property risk profile and occupancy characteristics)

Travel distances and occupancy would be acceptable for persons seated at tables however, safe occupancy would be exceeded if additional chairs were in use. The main sitting room is 42sq.metres with seating around tables for 24 persons with additional chairs around the room for a further 17 persons. The density factor for persons seated is 1.5 allowing an occupancy of 28 persons seated.

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Action/Recommendation Required?	Yes
Action Priority:	Medium - 3 Months
К7	
Are there suitable precautions for all inner rooms?	Yes

Inner room scenarios are present from the reading room and kitchen that lead to the foyer. Exits can be reached from within two metres.

K8

Are escape routes separated where appropriate?

K4

Yes

Yes

Unknown

No

1 action

There is a separating door between the sitting room and foyer. Intumescent strips are painted over. Refer to M1.

К9	
Are corridors sub-divided where appropriate?	N/A
Not required.	
K10	
Do escape routes lead to a place of safety?	Yes
Both exits lead to the external environment.	
K11	
Are the stairs and/or lobbies provided with adequate ventilation? (If considered satisfactory, please state provision)	Yes
The premise is a ground floor property with no stairs. There is adequate ventilation f windows.	rom doors and

K12		1 action

Are there any other issues that could affect the means of escape, for example plastic conduit/loose cables not secured by fire rated fastening?

Conduit and cables were noted throughout the premises and it was not possible to confirm that the requirements of Regulation 521.10.202 of the BS 7671 - 18th Edition of The IET Wiring Regulations, which requires all cables to be adequately supported using non-combustible fixings to prevent premature collapse in the event of a fire. The new regulation is not applied retrospectively so any wiring systems fitted before 2019 do not need to be immediately updated. Any new installation or additions and alterations to existing systems, including temporary wiring, have to comply with the regulations.



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Photo 19



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Photo 21



Unknown

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Photo 18

K12

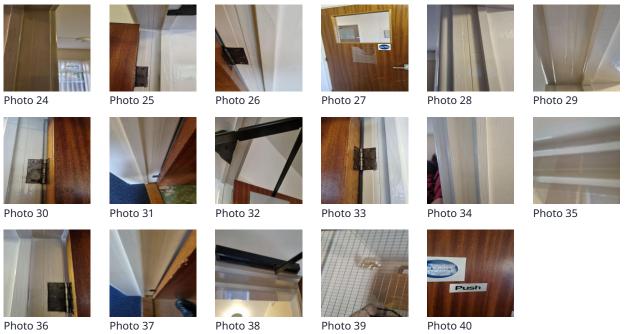
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Action/Recommendation Required?	Yes
Action Priority:	Recommendation - No Timescale
L - Flat Entrance Doors	
L1	
Are the sample inspection flat entrance door or doors in good condition and appropriately fire rated?	N/A
The premises is a Community Centre with no dwellings present.	
M - Common Area Fire Doors	1 action
M1	1 action
Are all common area fire door and frames in good condition and	No

appropriately fire rated? Fire doors are fitted to sitting rooms and the kitchen. Doors are not labelled and it was not possible to confirm fire rating. Intumescent strips, self closure devices and reinforced glass viewing panels are fitt

confirm fire rating. Intumescent strips, self closure devices and reinforced glass viewing panels are fitted. However, intumescent strips are painted over, this will affect the integrity of the seal in a fire. Hinges do not appear to be fire rated.



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M1

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or repair should only be completed by a certified third-party fire door contractor.



If emergency lighting is provided, is the coverage sufficient and in good repair? (Internal and external)



Emergency lighting is fitted throughout and appears sufficient with no defects identified. (See Limitations Statement).







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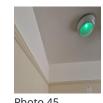


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N2

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Photo 45

1 action If EL not provided, is borrowed/artificial lighting sufficient for No escape? (Internal and external)

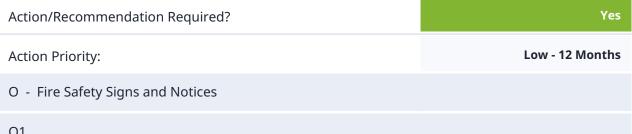
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N2

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01

Is there adequate provision of visible fire safety signs and notices? (Consider directional, exits,

stairs, fire action notices, Fire door keep shut, fire equipment and 'do not use lift' signage)

Yes

N/A

Fire doors are labelled and exit signs are displayed. There is also a Fire Action Notice displayed.









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02

Wayfinding Signage (buildings over 11 metres in height). Are there clear markings for flat and floor recognition provided?

 Not required. The premises is a Community Centre.

 P - Means of Giving Warning in Case of Fire

 P1

 Is a reasonable fire detection and fire alarm system provided in the common areas, where necessary?

There is no manual fire alarm system, however hard-wired smoke / heat detection is installed to all rooms.



P2









Photo 55



it extend into the dwellings?

No dwellings present. There is a separate dwelling above the Community	v Centre.
P5	
Where appropriate, has a fire alarm zone plan been provided?	N/A
Not required - Hard-wired smoke / heat detection only installed.	
P6	1 action
Where appropriate, are there adequate arrangements for silencing and resetting an alarm condition?	Unknown
It was not possible to establish the arrangements for silencing and reset	ting the AFD system.
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P6	
Management should confirm the arrangements for silencing and ensure that it is communicated to Community Centre users.	resetting the AFD system and
Action/Recommendation Required?	Yes
Action Priority:	Medium - 3 Months
P7	
If applicable, is a separate domestic hard-wired smoke/heat alarm within the flats installed to a suitable standard?	N/A
	N/A
alarm within the flats installed to a suitable standard?	N/A
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floors. No obvious penetrations were identified. It was not possible to establish the level of compartmentation between the Community Centre and dwelling above.



Photo 62

Photo 63



Photo 64



Photo 66

Photo 67



Photo 68

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Q1

Management are advised to ensure that compartmentation is adequate between the Community Centre and the separate dwelling above.

Recommendation - No Timescale
N/A

No hidden voids identified.

Q3

Is there adequately fire protected service risers and/or ducts in common areas, that will restrict the spread of fire and smoke?

	N/A
None present.	
Q4	
Is compartmentation maintained in the roof space?	N/A

The premise is a detached ground floor Community Centre. There is a separate dwelling above the Community Centre, however there is low risk of fire spread between properties. See Q1.



Photo 69

Q5

Are electrics, including embedded meters, enclosed in fire rated construction?

The electrical consumer unit is located within the sitting room. It is not required to be contained within a fire rated enclosure.



Photo 70

Q6

As far as can reasonably be ascertained, are fire dampers provided as necessary to protect critical means of escape against passage of fire, smoke and products of combustion in the early stages of a fire?



Are soft furnishings in common areas appropriate to limit fire spread/growth?

Soft furnishings were inspected and labelled to confirm that they are of fire retardant material, however, the standard on the label refers to furniture for domestic premises only and not commercial.



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N/A

No

Q8

Management should ensure that soft furnishings are removed and replaced with those of suitable fire retardant materials in accordance with BS7176 (commercial properties).



materials which may promote external fire spread?

There is a small area of wooden cladding above the entrance however, there is an alternative exit to the rear.



Photo 72

Q10

Has a note been prepared of the external walls of the building and details of construction materials used? Does the note include and identify the level of risk that the design and materials used?

	N/A
Not required.	
Q11	
Does the External wall note include any mitigating circumstances that may have been taken to reduce the risk?	N/A
Not required.	
Q12	
Has the responsible person reviewed the external wall note on a r there have been any significant changes in the external walls.	egular basis and revised it if N/A
Not required.	
Q13	
Are all other fire spread/compartmentation issues satisfactory?	N/A

No further compartmentation issues were identified.

R - Fire Extinguishing Appliances

1 action R1 1 action

If required, is there reasonable provision of accessible portable fire extinguishers?

There are 2 x 9Ltr 27A rated Foam and 1 x 2kg CO2 units installed. 9Ltr units are considered excessive for the size of compartmentation. Community Centre users are unlikely to be trained on extinguisher use and there is no signage displayed to advise that they should only be used by trained persons.









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R1

Management should ensure that signage is displayed at fire points to state 'only to be used by trained persons'. Management should consider replacing Foam units with 6Ltr size at unit end of life which is likely to offer a small cost saving.

Action/Recommendation Required?	Yes
Action Priority:	Low - 12 Months
S - Relevant Automatic Fire Extinguishing Systems	
S1	
Are there any automatic fire suppressant systems on site?	N/A
None present.	
S2	
Are there any fixed fire fighting mains within the premises?	N/A
None present.	
S3	
If any other relevant systems / equipment is installed, state type of system and comment as necessary	N/A
None present.	
T - Procedures and Arrangements	1 action

T1

Recommended evacuation strategy for this building is:	Simultaneous Evacuation
T2	1 action
Has a competent person(s) been appointed to assist in undertakir protective measures including in house checks?	ig the preventative and
	Unknown
It was not possible to ascertain if there is a competent person appointed	for this property.
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Management should confirm that there is a competent person in place to undertake the preventative and protective measures for this property.

Action/Recommendation Required?	Yes
Action Priority:	Recommendation - No Timescale
Т3	

Yes

Are there appropriate documented fire safety arrangements and procedures in place in the event of fire?

A Fire Action Notice is displayed advising of a simultaneous evacuation.



Photo 77

Τ4

Are there suitable arrangements for liaison and calling the Fire
Service?YesCommunity Centre users would call the Fire Service.T5Are there suitable fire assembly points away from any risk?YesThe FAN advises Community Centre users to evacuate to the car park.Yes

Τ6

Are there adequate procedures in place for the evacuation of disabled people who are likely to be present?

There were no persons present during the assessment. It is possible that community members using the centre could have various forms of disabilities. It is likely that they would exit the premises by the way that the entered or would be accompanied by another person.

Т7	
Are staff nominated and trained on the use of fire extinguishing appliances?	N/A
No staff present.	
Т8	
Are staff nominated and trained to assist in evacuation (Where applicable e.g. Offices, supported schemes)?	N/A
No staff present.	
U - Training	
U1	

Do staff receive adequate induction and annual refresher fire safety training? (To include fire risks in the premises, fire safety measures in the building, action in the event of fire and on hearing alarm, location and use of fire extinguishers, calling the fire service)

N/A

N/A

Yes

No staff present.

Policy Principle: All touchdown points (small offices) staff receive Inductions and annual refreshers on fire safety fire safety. But at all the schemes no permanent staff are present.

U2

Are employees nominated to assist in the event of fire given additional training?

No staff present.

V - Testing and Maintenance

V1

Are all fire safety provisions for the building (AFD, Emergency Lighting, sprinklers etc.) routinely tested and maintained?

Policy Principle: Alarms- FHG Greenscapes, MITIE. E/L- FHG Greenscapes, MITIE. Assets Surveyor

Extinguishers- MITIE. Fire Doors- FHG Greenscapes, Assets Surveyor Final Exits/ Escape Routes-Greenscapes/ Neighbourhoods.

N/A

N/A

W - Records

W1

Is all routine testing and staff training including fire drills suitably recorded and available for inspection?

No staff present.

X - Premises Information Box

X1

Is a Premises Information Box located at the premises accessible to the Fire and Rescue Service, secure from unauthorised access and kept up to date?

No PIB installed.

Policy Principle: Log book is kept on SharePoint with proposed specific QR code access.

Y - Engagement with Residents	
Y1	
Has all Fire Safety information & procedures been disseminated to the residents?	N/A
No residents present.	
Z - Any Other Information	
Z1	
Are all issues deemed satisfactory? [1]	N/A
No further issues were identified at the time of assessment.	
Z2	
Are all issues deemed satisfactory? [2]	N/A
No further issues were identified at the time of assessment.	

Assessment Risk Ratings

Risk Rating

The following simple risk level estimator is based on a more general health and safety risk level estimator of the type contained in BS 8800:

Likelihood of fire	Potential consequences of fire		
Likelihood of fire	Slight Harm	Moderate Harm	Extreme Harm
Low	Trivial	Tolerable	Moderate
Medium	Tolerable	Moderate	Substantial
High	Moderate	Substantial	Intolerable

Likelihood of Fire

Taking into account the fire prevention measures observed at the time of this risk assessment, it is considered that the hazard from fire (likelihood of fire) at these premises is:

MEDIUM

In this context, a definition of the above terms is as follows:

Low: Unusually low likelihood of fire as a result of negligible potential sources of ignition.

Medium: Normal fire hazards (e.g. potential ignition sources) for this type of occupancy, with fire hazards generally subject to appropriate controls (other than minor shortcomings).

High: Lack of adequate controls applied to one or more significant fire hazards, such as to result in significant increase in likelihood of fire.

Potential Consequences of Fire

Taking into account the nature of the building and occupants, as well as the fire protection and procedural arrangements observed at the time of this fire risk assessment, it is considered that the consequences for life safety in the event of fire would be:

MODERATE HARM

Potential Consequences of Fire

In this context, a definition of the above terms is as follows:

Slight harm: Outbreak of fire unlikely to result in serious injury or death of any occupant.

Moderate harmful: Outbreak of fire could foreseeably result in injury (including serious injury) of one or more occupants, but it is unlikely to involve multiple fatali-ties.

Extreme harm: Significant potential for serious injury or death of one or more occupants likely to involve multiple fatalities.

Premises Risk Rating	1 flagged
Accordingly, it is considered that the risk to life from fire at these premises is:	MODERATE

A suitable risk-based control plan should involve effort and urgency that is proportional to risk. The following risk-based control plan is based on one advocated by BS 8800 for general health and safety risks:

Risk Level	Action and time table
Trivial	No action is required and no detailed records need be kept.
Tolerable	No major additional controls required. However, there might be a need for improvements that involve minor or limited cost.
Moderate	It is essential that efforts are made to reduce the risk. Risk reduction measures should be implemented within a defined time period. Where moderate risk is associated with consequences that constitute extreme harm, further assessment might be required to establish more precisely the likelihood of harm as a basis for determining the priority for improved control measures.
Substantial	Considerable resources might have to be allocated to reduce the risk. If the building is unoccupied, it should not be occupied until the risk has been reduced. If the building is occupied, urgent action should be taken.
Intolerable	Building (or relevant area) should not be occupied until the risk is reduced.

(Note that, although the purpose of this section is to place the risk in context, the above approach to fire risk assessment is subjective and for guidance only. All hazards and deficiencies identified in this report should be addressed by implementing all recommendations contained in the following action plan. The fire risk assessment should be reviewed regularly.)

On satisfactory completion of all remedial works the risk rating of this building may be reduced to

TOLERABLE

Limitations Statement

Fire Risk Assessment – Limitations

The purpose of the fire risk assessment is solely to provide an assessment of the risk to life from fire, and, where appropriate, to make recommendations to reduce the risk to life from fire. This assessment does not address fire risks to property or business continuity.

Under Article 5(4) of the Regulatory Reform (Fire Safety) Order 2005 or other devolved equivalent regional legislation and relevant United Kingdom law, we have been appointed to provide advice to the Responsible Person only. We have no control over any part of the premises covered within this fire risk assessment, and we have no responsibility for undertaking any of the recommendations made. The assessment is intended to assist the Responsible Person to comply with their responsibilities under the Regulatory Reform (Fire Safety) Order 2005.

Any policy principles included within this Fire Risk Assessment have been provided by the responsible person or their representative and been added in good faith. We cannot take responsibility for the accuracy of the policy principles with regard to the client's internal policies, British Standards or codes of practice.

Any test certificates supplied as part of the Fire Risk Assessment process will be considered but we take no responsibility or liability whatsoever is accepted for the accuracy of such information supplied by others.

The findings of the fire risk assessment will be based upon the conditions found at the Premises at the time the assessment is to be carried out and on relevant information provided by the Responsible Person or others either prior to, during or after the Fire Risk Assessment of the premises.

We consider the External Wall System as part of the Fire Risk Assessment process, however, we take no responsibility for a fire risk appraisal of external wall construction on existing buildings and work to the guidance and limitations detailed in PAS 9980:2022 0.2 Fire risk assessments. Any information supplied to the Fire Risk Assessor is taken in good faith and we accept no responsibility for the accuracy of the information supplied.

No responsibility is accepted for any change in the conditions or circumstances prior after the Fire Risk Assessment has been undertaken.

It is stressed that the assessment should not be regarded as a structural survey for fire safety purposes as such a survey should only be entrusted to a qualified building surveyor. The Fire Risk Assessment did not involve destructive exposure (Unless specifically requested as part of a contractual arrangement), and therefore it is not always possible to survey less readily accessible areas. It is, therefore, necessary to rely on a degree of sampling and also reasonable assumptions and judgements.

All services or penetrations traversing fire resisting compartments are not confirmed as being sufficiently fire stopped with fire resisting material to the appropriate standard. If fire compartments\fire dampers\voids (ceilings, floors or other voids) are considered inaccessible for safety reasons or any other reason and cannot be physically accessed or are outside the visual range of the assessor, technical comment on these areas cannot be provided.

This fire risk assessment will not necessarily identify all minor fire-stopping issues that might exist within the building and should be considered to be a sample of fire compartmentation. Unless a full fire compartmentation survey is contractually included within the scope of the assessment. If there are reasons to suspect the fire resistance within the Premises has not been sufficiently maintained the responsibility to provide this technical information rests with the Responsible Person\duty holder.

This fire risk assessment will not necessarily identify all minor fire door issues that might exist within the building and should be considered a sample of fire doors. Unless a full fire door survey is contractually included within the scope of the assessment.

A full investigation of the design of heating, ventilation and air conditioning (HVAC) systems is outside the scope of this fire risk assessment.

Although reference in the report may be made to relevant British Standards, Codes of Practice and Guides the assessment will not, nor is it intended to, ensure compliance with any of the documents referred to in the assessment. However, deviations from generally accepted codes, standards and universally recognised good fire safety practice will be identified in the assessment.

Where an emergency escape lighting system is present, comments are based upon a visual assessment of the system coverage and condition, but no illuminance tests or verification of the installation to the relevant British Standards were carried out.

Where a fire alarm system is present, comments are based upon a visual assessment, but no audibility tests or verification of full compliance with the relevant British Standards were carried out.

Where manual firefighting equipment is present, comments are based upon a visual assessment, but no verification of full compliance with the relevant British Standards or codes of practice were carried out.

It is the expectation that any reference to the testing and maintenance of passive or active fire protection systems within the premises are undertaken to the relevant current British Standards, Codes of Practice and Guides it is the responsible person's duty to ensure this is undertaken.

There will be a brief review of procedures at the time of this fire risk assessment. An in-depth review of documentation is outside the scope of this fire risk assessment, unless otherwise stated in the contract.

The report will highlight the Significant Findings (Split into Recommendations and Action(s)) that the Fire Risk Assessor found at the time of the assessment.

It is the responsibility of the Responsible Person to ensure that any deficiencies found during the assessment and subsequently reported to the Responsible Person, by the report or other means, are their responsibility to rectify to a satisfactory standard to meet the requirements of the Regulatory Reform (Fire Safety) Order 2005.

It is wholly the responsibility of the Responsible Person and/or their agent to implement and maintain the Fire Precautions at the Premises to a satisfactory standard and condition to comply with the requirements of the Regulatory Reform (Fire Safety) Order 2005.

Failure to address and/or rectify any deficiencies mentioned in the report may result in serious harm, injury and or death to any relative person, employee, visitor, you or any other person in, on, within or without the perimeter of the Premises.

Failure to address any of the deficiencies highlighted in the report may be considered to be a breach of the Regulatory Reform (Fire Safety) Order 2005 and may result in prosecution by the enforcing authority.

Responsibility for the ongoing management of the Premises and even, if necessary, the decision to allow the Premises to be used for their present purpose, and in the current condition remains with the Responsible Person.

Responsibility for management procedures regarding, evacuation management, and maintenance of firefighting equipment, Fire alarms systems, emergency escape lighting, and any other emergency-related provisions remains a duty of the responsible person, not the fire risk

assessor as this is not within their control.

Any faults or deficiencies in any emergency emergency-related staffing levels and\or staff training are the responsibility of the Responsible Person and\or the duty holder.

Portable or moveable items and items brought into the Premises are the responsibility of the Responsible Person and\or the duty holder.

It is recommended that the Assessment is reviewed annually or when there is a significant change, material alteration, change in the use of the Premises, a change in working practices, or following any incident, including fire, which may affect the Fire Precautions of the Premises.

The circumstances of the Premises may change over time and with use and\or occupancy, therefore, failure to review the fire risk assessment by the date indicated may mean that the fire risk assessment is no longer valid.

This Fire Risk Assessment is not a Health and Safety Report. A Health and Safety review should be conducted to ensure compliance with the Health and Safety at Work Act 1974.

Compliance with all other legislation is the responsibility of the Responsible Person. We accept no responsibility for loss, damage or other liability arising from a fire, loss and\or injury due to the failure to observe the safety, observance and practises identified in the Assessment

The Responsible Person will always remain responsible for the outcome of the Fire Risk Assessment and\or its review. This includes the accuracy of details contained within this report.

By signing for, by payment for services or acknowledgement of receipt of the report you accept full responsibility and accountability for implementing the findings of the report.





Life Safety Fire Risk Assessment Certificate of Conformity

This certificate is issued by the organization named in Part 1 of the schedule in respect of the fire risk assessment provided for the person(s) or organization named in Part 2 of the schedule at the premises and / or part of the premises identified in Part 3 of the schedule

Schedule	
Part 1a - Name and Address of Certified Organisation	Pennington Choices Limited
Part 1b - BAFE Registration Number of Issuing Certified Organisation	102119
Part 1c - SSAIB 3rd Party Certificate Number	CHES077
Part 2 - Name of Client	Futures Housing Group
Part 3a - Address of premises for which the Fire Risk Assessment was carried out	Community Centre Fairfield Road: DE7 6DD

Part 3b - Part or parts of the premises to which the Fire Risk Assessment applies

Entrance foyer, toilets, reading room, sitting room and kitchen.

Life Safety (as agreed spec)
See Limitations Statement
24 Nov 2023
24 Nov 2025
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Signed for on behalf of the Issuing Certified Organisation

James Hutton

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Dated:

24 Nov 2023

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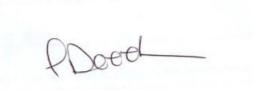


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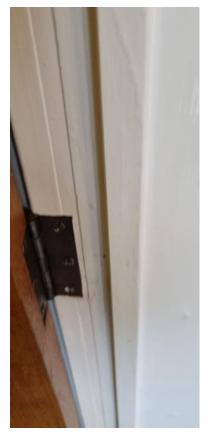


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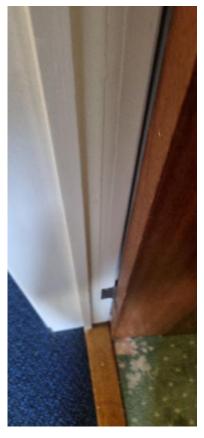


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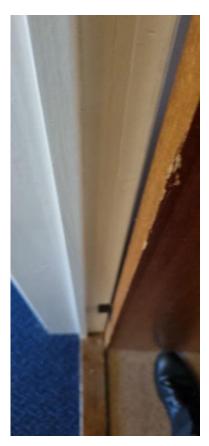


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