

### Futures Fire Risk Assessment

Futures Homescape, Flats 1-5 Fiennes House,Thurston: DE55 4JP, - UPRN: FB244 / 173538 / QA Approved / Andy Cloke

Flagged items 2	Actions 20
SITE NAME:	Futures Homescape, Flats 1-5 Fiennes House,Thurston: DE55 4JP, - UPRN: FB244, Fire Risk Assessments, Futures Homescape

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### **PROPERTY IMAGE**



UPRN:	FB244
JOB NUMBER:	173538
FRA COMPLETED BY:	Pennington Choices Limited
FIRE RISK ASSESSOR NAME:	Adrian Gallimore
INSPECTION DATE:	15 Aug 2023
REPORT STATUS:	QA Approved
REASSESSMENT PRIORITY	Medium - 2 Years
VALID TO: (QA Use Only)	9 Sep 2025
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VALIDATED BY: (QA Use Only)	Andy Cloke

VALIDATOR'S SIGNATURE: (QA Use Only)



Flagged items & Actions	2 flagged, 20 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	20 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 label on the electrical consumer unit confirms that the date of the last fixed wiring test was completed on 23/10/2016.



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A1

Management should arrange a fixed wiring re-test and ensure that adequate records are maintained.

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)?

The assessor was not able to confirm the policy of personal electrical appliances within common areas as the information was not available at the time of assessment. No personal electrical appliances were identified within common areas at the time of assessment.

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### A3

Management should confirm the policy on the use of personal electrical appliances within common areas and ensure that the policy is communicated to residents.

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

Unknown

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

There was no evidence of illicit smoking within common areas at the time of assessment however, there are no signs displayed.

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B2

Management should ensure that 'No Smoking' signs are displayed within the common area.

Detailed Risk Assessment Part 2 / F - Lightning / F1

### Does the building have a lightning protection system?

FHG Policy Principal 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 / H - Hazards Introduced by Contractors / H1

### Is there satisfactory control over works carried out in the building by contractors (e.g. hot work permits)?

It was not possible to establish contractor control procedures as the information was not available at the time of assessment.

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### H1

Management should confirm that suitable and sufficient procedures are in place for controlling contractor activities to include Method Statements and Risk Assessments and Hot Work Permit where required.

Detailed Risk Assessment Part 2 / K - Means of Escape / K4

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

The door has a door release button fitted. It was not possible to establish if the button fails to safety in the event of mains power failure.





Unknown

Unknown

No

No

Management should confirm if the door release button fails to safety. Where the button does not fail to safety a green 'Break Glass' emergency door release device should be fitted.

Detailed Risk Assessment Part 2 / K - Means of Escape / K11

## Are the stairs and/or lobbies provided with adequate ventilation? (If considered satisfactory, please state provision)

Unknown

There are openable windows fitted to landings however the window to the second landing is lower than the landing to the second floor. There is an area above the second floor dwelling where smoke may be allowed to build before being vented through the window below.



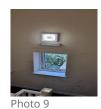








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### K11

Management should consider installing an additional window / roof light or automatic operating smoke ventilation to the second floor where practical to do so.

### 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?

Yes

Some conduit and cables were noted to the entrance to the common area 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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### 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 / L - Flat Entrance Doors / L1

### Are the sample inspection flat entrance door or doors in good condition and appropriately fire rated?

Unknown

It was not possible to establish fire rating or condition of dwelling doors as access could not be gained.



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### L1

Management should inspect all dwelling doors to establish fire rating and condition. Where doors do not conform to FD30 specification, they should be replaced with a certified self closing fire door set to a minimum of FD30 specification. Any installation or repairs should only be conducted by a certified third-party contractor.

Detailed Risk Assessment Part 2 / N - Emergency Lighting / N1

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

No

Emergency lighting is fitted to common areas however, some defects were identified. In addition, the external emergency light unit appeared defective.



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#### N1

Management should inspect emergency lighting and carry out any repairs necessary.

Detailed Risk Assessment Part 2 / 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?

Unknown

There is no manual fire alarm system however hard wired AFD is installed to common areas. "Section 20.4 of the guidance used highlights how in 'general needs' blocks designed to support a 'stay put' policy, it is unnecessary and undesirable for a fire alarm system to be provided. A communal fire detection and alarm system will inevitably lead to a proliferation of false alarms. This will impose a burden on fire and rescue services and lead to residents ignoring warnings of genuine fires. This is dependent on compartmentation within the block. Sounders present within common area which are presumed to be interlinked with the flats."



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### **Open** | Priority Medium | Due 10 Dec 2023 4:09 PM UTC | Created by Adrian Gallimore

**P1** 

Responsible person to confirm that the installed alarm system is warranted, appropriate and effective. Depending on the outcome modify system accordingly.

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?

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

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Management should confirm the arrangements for silencing and resetting the communal AFD system and ensure that it is communicated to residents.

Detailed Risk Assessment Part 2 / P - Means of Giving Warning in Case of Fire / P7

If applicable, is a separate domestic hard-wired smoke/heat alarm within the flats installed to a suitable standard?

Unknown

Unknown

It was not possible to establish the level of detection within dwellings as no flats were accessible.

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Management should ensure that hard-wired smoke / heat detection is installed to all flats within the block, in accordance with BS5389-6:2019 (Grade D1, LD2 smoke alarms). If found not to be, install to this standard. All work to be carried out by a third-party accredited fire alarm company.

Detailed Risk Assessment Part 2 / Q - Measures to Limit Fire Spread and Development / Q4

### Is compartmentation maintained in the roof space?

The assessor was not able to access the roof space at the time of assessment.

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Management should inspect the roof space to ensure that is an adequate fire break for the size of

Unknown

compartment in accordance with building regulations. Any penetrations identified should be fire stopped using fire rated building materials. Any work required should only be conducted by an approved third-party contractor.

Detailed Risk Assessment Part 2 / Q - Measures to Limit Fire Spread and Development / Q5

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

No

Doors toe the electrical intake cupbaord did not appear to be fire rated. In addition penetrations were identified within the cupboard. There is also some MDF boxing in on the second floor and it was not possible to establish if there are any ignition sources present behind it or if the material is fire rated.







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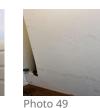




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### Q5

Management should inspect behind boxing in on the second floor. Where ignition sources are present management should ensure that the material is fire rated.

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### Q5

Management should replace the doors to the electrical intake cupboard with certified self closing fire door sets. Penetrations within should be fire stopped with fire rated building materials. All work required should only be conducted by a certified third-party contractor.

Detailed Risk Assessment Part 2 / Q - Measures to Limit Fire Spread and Development / Q9

Does the premises have any external balconies, cladding or materials which may promote external fire spread?

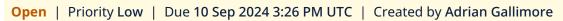
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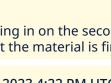
There is cladding fitted to the outside of the building. It was not possible to establish fire rating of materials used.





Photo 51





Management should confirm fire rating of cladding. Where is does not conform, it should be removed and replaced with fire rated materials.

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?

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 2 / T - Procedures and Arrangements / T6

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

Although this is a general needs block, it was not possible to establish if there were any disabled persons present.

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T6

Management should establish if there are any persons with disabilities or special needs that may require assistance, require a PEEPs and/or PCFRA. An appropriate procedure should be put in place once a PEEPS or PCFRA has been completed.

Detailed Risk Assessment Part 2 / Y - Engagement with Residents / Y1

#### Has all Fire Safety information & procedures been disseminated to the residents?

It was not possible to establish what fire safety information has been disseminated to residents as the information was not available at the time of assessment.

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**Y1** 

Management should ensure that all residents have received necessary fire safety information and are aware of any procedures already in place.

09

Unknown

Unknown

Unknown

**Detailed Risk Assessment Part 1** 

### 1. General Information

1.1 FRA Type:	Type 1 (Non-Destructive)
1.2 Property Type:	Purpose Built Block of Flats
1.3 Property Designation:	General Needs
1.4 Responsible Person:	Lindsey Williams - CEO Futures Housing Group
1.5 No of Floors:	3
1.6 No of Flats (if applicable):	5
1.7 Ground Floor Area (m2):	150
1.8 Total Area of all Floors (m2)	375

### **1.9 Building Description:**

Purpose built general needs block of flats. There is one entrance which leads to a small lobby with 2 flats to the ground floor. A single stairway leads to the first floor with 2 flats and the second floor with one flat (5 flats in total). There is also an electrical intake cupboard to the ground floor. There is one exit which is via the single entrance.

### **1.10 Building Construction:**

Traditional brick built property with pitched tiled roof. Internal walls to the common area are plasterboard with emulsion painted finish. Ceilings are emulsion painted plaster / plasterboard. The ground floor is solid however, the stairway and floors to the fist and second floor are wooden.

### 1.11 Extent of common areas:

Entrance lobby, stairways and landings.

### 1.12 Areas of the building to which access was not available:

The roof space was not accessible.

### 1.13 If applicable, state which flats were sample inspected:

No flats were accessible as access could not be gained.

### 2. The Occupants

### 2.1 Management Extent

Non Managed – eg GN

2.2 Details of any onsite Management

There are no on-site management at this property.

### 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)

It was not possible to establish the total number of occupants however, a maximum occupancy is estimated at 20 (4 per dwelling).

### 2.6 Approximate maximum number of employees at any one time

There are no employees at this location.

### 2.7 Number of members of the public (maximum estimated)

1-2. There were no members of the public on site during the assessment however, there may be persons visiting periodically such as residents' families, contractors and postal workers etc.

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

This is a "general needs" block of flats that will have sleeping occupants. It is conceivable that there may be young persons, the elderly and children within the flats as part of families who reside there. There may also be occupants with varying degrees of physical/mental impairment. In addition, lone workers may be present within common parts of the premises.

### 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)	Housing Act 2004	
3.4 The other legislation referred to above is enforced by		
Local Governing Authority.		
3.5 Guidance used as applicable to premises and occupation	Home Office Fire Safety in Purpose Built Blocks	
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.

### A - Electrical Ignition Sources

## Is the fixed electrical installation periodically inspected and tested, (include dates if known)?

The label on the electrical consumer unit confirms that the date of the last fixed wiring test was completed on 23/10/2016.



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Management should arrange a fixed wiring re-test and ensure 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

### Is PAT testing in common areas carried out?

There were no portable electrical appliances identified within common areas at the time of assessment.

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.

### **A3**

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

The assessor was not able to confirm the policy of personal electrical appliances within common areas as the information was not available at the time of assessment. No personal electrical appliances were identified within common areas at the time of assessment.

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No

N/A

1 action

Unknown

20 actions

2 actions

1 action

#### A3

Management should confirm the policy on the use of personal electrical appliances within common areas and ensure that the policy is communicated to residents.

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 identified within common areas at the ti	me 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?	N/A	
None present.		
B - Smoking Policies	1 action	
B1		
Are there suitable arrangements to prevent fire as a result from smoking?	Yes	
Policy Principle: No smoking policy in all communal areas- signage displayed.		
B2	1 action	
Is the policy being adhered to and are "No smoking" signs provided in the common areas?	No	
There was no evidence of illicit smoking within common areas at the time of assessment however, there are no signs displayed.		
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B2 Management should ensure that 'No Smoking' signs are displayed v	within the common area.	
Action/Recommendation Required?	Yes	

Low - 12 Months

**Action Priority:** 

### C - Arson

### **C1**

### Are premises secure against arson by outsiders? (Please state how)

Yes

Access by electronic key fob entry. There is also a 'Trades' button and Fire Switch. The Fire Switch was tested at the time of assessment.



### **C2**

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

Yes

There is a designated area at the rear of the property away from the building.



D - Portable Heaters and Installations

### **D1**

# If used, is the use of portable heaters regarded as safe?N/AThere were no portable heaters within common areas.

### D2

### Are fixed heating systems maintained annually?

There are no fixed heating systems located within common areas. Refer to Policy Principle for dwelling fixed heating maintenance.

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

### **E** - Cooking

### **E1**



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

N/A

There are no cooking facilities within common areas.

### F - Lightning

Does the building have a lightning protection system?

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

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### F1

**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

### **G1** Are combustible materials kept away from any sources of Yes ignition, including gas and electrical intake cupboards? No issues were identified at the time of assessment. **G2** Are the escape routes kept clear of items combustible Yes materials or waste and free of any trip hazards? The escape route was clear at the time of assessment. **G3** Are mobility scooters or electric vehicles stored in the means of escape? If yes has an assessment been undertaken in line N/A with the NFCC "Mobility Scooter Guidance for Residential **Buildings**"? None identified at the time of assessment.

1 action

1 action

No

nagement should confirm that suitable and sufficient procedures are in place for controllin tractor activities to include Method Statements and Risk Assessments and Hot Work Permi re required.		
on/Recommendation Required?	Yes	
on Priority:	Medium - 3 Months	
Dangerous Substances		

## H - Hazards Introduced by Contractors

#### Is there satisfactory control over works carried out in the building by contractors (e.g. hot work permits)?

It was not possible to establish contractor control procedures as the information was not available at the time of assessment.

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### **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?

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

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.

### **J** - Other Significant Hazards

### **J1**

### Are all issues deemed satisfactory? [1]

There were no additional significant hazards identified at the time of assessment.

### **J2**

### Are all issues deemed satisfactory? [2]

There were no additional significant hazards identified at the time of assessment.

N/A

N/A

N/A

1 action

1 action

Unknown

### K - Means of Escape

### **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 and ceilings are plaster / plaster-boarded with emulsion painted finish. The floor to the ground floor is solid with wooden stairs and flooring to the first and second floor.

### K3

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

There is one exit which is adequate in number / width for persons that may be present.

### K4

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

The door has a door release button fitted. It was not possible to establish if the button fails to safety in the event of mains power failure.



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### K4

Management should confirm if the door release button fails to safety. Where the button does not fail to safety a green 'Break Glass' emergency door release device should be fitted.

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

#### 3 actions

1 action

Unknown

Yes

Yes

Yes

K5

Do final exits open in the direction of escape where necessary?	N/A
The door opens inwardly however occupancy levels are low.	
К6	
Are travel distances satisfactory? (consider single direction and more than one direction, property risk profile and occupancy characteristics)	Yes
Travel distances are satisfactory.	
К7	
Are there suitable precautions for all inner rooms?	N/A
No inner room scenarios present.	
K8	
Are escape routes separated where appropriate?	N/A
Not required.	
К9	
Are corridors sub-divided where appropriate?	N/A
Not required.	
K10	
Do escape routes lead to a place of safety?	Yes
The escape route leads to the external environment.	
K11	1 action
Are the stairs and/or lobbies provided with adequate	

### Are the stairs and/or lobbies provided with adequate ventilation? (If considered satisfactory, please state provision)

There are openable windows fitted to landings however the window to the second landing is lower than the landing to the second floor. There is an area above the second floor dwelling where smoke may be allowed to build before being vented through the window below.













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Unknown



Photo 14

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### K11

Management should consider installing an additional window / roof light or automatic operating smoke ventilation to the second floor where practical to do so.

Action/Recommendation Required?	Yes
Action Priority:	Low - 12 Months
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?

Some conduit and cables were noted to the entrance to the common area 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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### K12

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

### L - Flat Entrance Doors

1 action

Yes

Unknown

### Are the sample inspection flat entrance door or doors in good condition and appropriately fire rated?

It was not possible to establish fire rating or condition of dwelling doors as access could not be gained.

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### L1

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

### M - Common Area Fire Doors

### **M1**

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

The only common area fire doors were those fitted to the electrical intake cupboard. Refer to Q5.

### N - Emergency Lighting

### **N1**

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

Emergency lighting is fitted to common areas however, some defects were identified. In addition, the external emergency light unit appeared defective.













Photo 22

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1 action

1 action

No

No

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Action/Recommendation Required? Yes				
Action Priority:	Medium - 3 Months			
N2				
If EL not provided, is borrowed/artificial lighting sufficient for escape? (Internal and external)				
Refer to N1.				
O - Fire Safety Signs and Notices				

### 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)

There is a Fire Action Notice displayed within the entrance lobby which advises of a 'Stay Put' policy.

Yes



### 02

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

Not required. The building is below 11 metres.

P - Means of Giving Warning in Case of Fire	3 actions
P1	1 action
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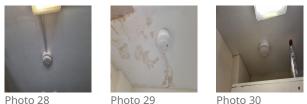


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#### P1

Responsible person to confirm that the installed alarm system is warranted, appropriate and effective. Depending on the outcome modify system accordingly.

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

### **P2**

If installed, is the common area AFD adequate for the Unknown occupancy and fire risk? Refer to P1. **P3** 

### If not installed, are the premises deemed safe without a common area AFD system?

AFD is installed to common areas.

### **P4**

### If there is a communal fire detection and fire alarm system, does it extend into the dwellings?

It was not possible to establish the level of detection within dwellings as no flats were accessible. Refer to P7.

### **P5**

### Where appropriate, has a fire alarm zone plan been provided?

There is no alarm system other than AFD to common areas.

Unknown

N/A

### 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 resetting the communal AFD system.

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### P6

Management should confirm the arrangements for silencing and resetting the communal AFD system and ensure that it is communicated to residents.

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?

It was not possible to establish the level of detection within dwellings as no flats were accessible.

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#### Ρ7

Management should ensure that hard-wired smoke / heat detection is installed to all flats within the block, in accordance with BS5389-6:2019 (Grade D1, LD2 smoke alarms). If found not to be, install to this standard. All work to be carried out by a third-party accredited fire alarm company.

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

#### **P8**

If applicable (Sheltered scheme) is the smoke detection within the flats monitored by an alarm receiving centre/on site scheme manager via a telecare system?

The premises is a purpose built general needs block.

# **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?

Yes

Walls are emulsion painted plaster / plasterboard. Ceilings are of emulsion painted plaster /

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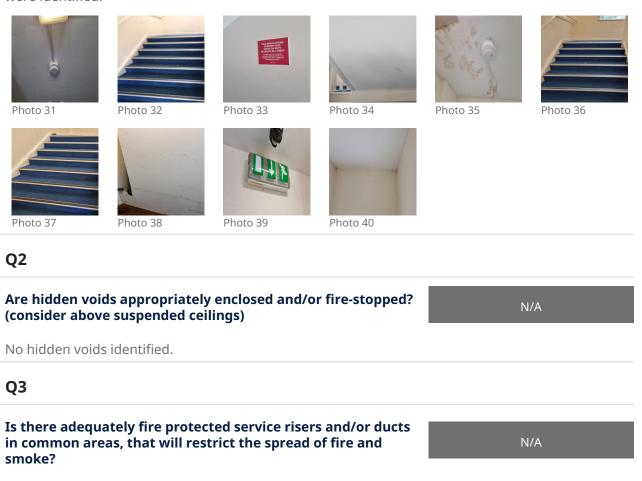
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Unknown

4 actions

N/A

plasterboard. The stairway and floor to the first and second floors are wooden. No penetrations were identified.



None present.

1 action **Q4** Unknown Is compartmentation maintained in the roof space?

The assessor was not able to access the roof space at the time of assessment.

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#### Q4

Management should inspect the roof space to ensure that is an adequate fire break for the size of compartment in accordance with building regulations. Any penetrations identified should be fire stopped using fire rated building materials. Any work required should only be conducted by an approved third-party contractor.

Action/Recommendation Required?	Yes
Action Priority:	Medium - 3 Months
Q5	2 actions

Are electrics, including embedded meters, enclosed in fire

No

#### rated construction?

Doors toe the electrical intake cupbaord did not appear to be fire rated. In addition penetrations were identified within the cupboard. There is also some MDF boxing in on the second floor and it was not possible to establish if there are any ignition sources present behind it or if the material is fire rated.

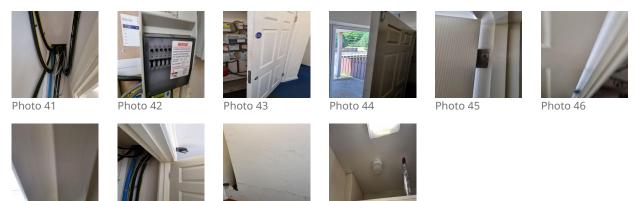


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#### Q5

Management should inspect behind boxing in on the second floor. Where ignition sources are present management should ensure that the material is fire rated.

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### Q5

Management should replace the doors to the electrical intake cupboard with certified self closing fire door sets. Penetrations within should be fire stopped with fire rated building materials. All work required should only be conducted by a certified third-party contractor.

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

### **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?

N/A

Yes

None present.

### Q7

Is there reasonable limitation of linings to escape routes that might promote fire spread?

Walls are emulsion painted plaster / plasterboard. Ceilings are of emulsion painted plaster / plasterboard. The stairway and floor to the first and second floors are wooden. No penetrations

### **Q**8

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

There are no soft furnishings to the common area.

### Q9

### Does the premises have any external balconies, cladding or materials which may promote external fire spread?

There is cladding fitted to the outside of the building. It was not possible to establish fire rating of materials used.



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Q9

Management should confirm fire rating of cladding. Where is does not conform, it should be removed and replaced with fire rated materials.

Action/Recommendation Required?	Yes
Action Priority:	Low - 12 Months

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?

Refer to Q9.

### Q11

### Does the External wall note include any mitigating circumstances that may have been taken to reduce the risk?

N/A

Unknown

N/A

Unknown

1 action

Refer to Q9.

Q12

### Has the responsible person reviewed the external wall note on a regular basis and revised it if there have been any N/A significant changes in the external walls. Refer to Q9. Q13 Are all other fire spread/compartmentation issues N/A satisfactory? No further compartmentation issues were identified. **R** - Fire Extinguishing Appliances **R1** If required, is there reasonable provision of accessible N/A portable fire extinguishers? No FFE installed and none required. S - Relevant Automatic Fire Extinguishing **Systems S1** N/A Are there any automatic fire suppressant systems on site? None present. **S2** N/A Are there any fixed fire fighting mains within the premises? None present. **S3** If any other relevant systems / equipment is installed, state N/A type of system and comment as necessary None present. **T** - Procedures and Arrangements 2 actions **T1** Recommended evacuation strategy for this building is: Stay Put

### undertaking the preventative and protective measures including in house checks? It was not possible to ascertain if there is a competent person appointed for this property. **Open** | Created by Adrian Gallimore T2 Management should confirm that there is a competent person in place to undertake the preventative and protective measures for this property. **Action/Recommendation Required? Recommendation - No Timescale**

**Action Priority:** 

**T3** 

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

Has a competent person(s) been appointed to assist in

A Fire Action Notice is displayed which advises of a 'Stay Put' policy.



### **T4**

Are there suitable arrangements for liaison and calling the Fire Service?	Yes
Residents would call the Fire Service.	
Т5	
Are there suitable fire assembly points away from any risk?	N/A
Not required.	
Т6	1 action
Are there adequate procedures in place for the evacuation of disabled people who are likely to be present?	Unknown

Although this is a general needs block, it was not possible to establish if there were any disabled persons present.

**T2** 



Unknown

Yes

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#### T6

Management should establish if there are any persons with disabilities or special needs that may require assistance, require a PEEPs and/or PCFRA. An appropriate procedure should be put in place once a PEEPS or PCFRA has been completed.

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

### **T7**

Are staff nominated and trained on the use of fire extinguishing appliances?

No FFE installed and no staff present.

### **T8**

### Are staff nominated and trained to assist in evacuation (Where applicable e.g. Offices, supported schemes)?

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

N/A

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?

N/A

No staff present.

### V - Testing and Maintenance

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

Yes

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.

### 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?

There is no Premises Information Box 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?

It was not possible to establish what fire safety information has been disseminated to residents as the information was not available at the time of assessment.

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### Y1

Management should ensure that all residents have received necessary fire safety information and are aware of any procedures already in place.

Action/Recommendation Required?	Yes
Action Priority:	Low - 12 Months

### Z - Any Other Information

N/A

N/A

1 action

1 action

Unknown

### **Z1**

### Are all issues deemed satisfactory? [1]

No further issues were identified at the time of assessment.

### Z2

### Are all issues deemed satisfactory? [2]

No further issues were identified at the time of assessment.

#### 2 flagged

### **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		
	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:

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:

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**

Accordingly, it is considered that the risk to life from fire at these premises is:

MODERATE

**MODERATE HARM** 

MEDIUM

1 flagged

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.

#### **BAFE Certificate (QA Use Only)**





### 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	Flats 1-5 Fiennes House,Thurston: DE55 4JP
Part 3b - Part or parts of the premises to which the Fire Risk Assessment applies	Entrance lobby, stairways and landings.
Part 4 - Brief description of the scope and purpose of the Fire Risk Assessment	Life Safety (as agreed spec)
Part 4b - Limitations of FRA	See Limitations Statement
Part 5 - Effective Date of the Fire Risk Assessment	9 Sep 2023
Part 6 - Recommended Date for Reassessment of the premises	9 Sep 2025
Part 7 - Unique Reference Number of this Certificate (Job Number)	173538

Signed for on behalf of the Issuing Certified Organisation

James Hutton

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Dated:

9 Sep 2023

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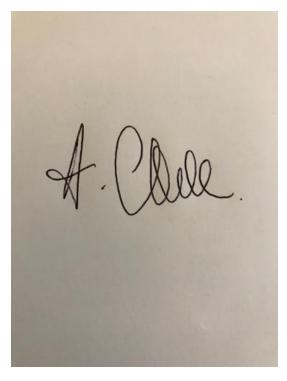
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