

Futures Fire Risk Assessment

Futures Homescape-, Openacre 18-24: NG16 5QA, - UPRN: N/A / 335981 / QA Approved / Andy Cloke

Complete

| Flagged items | 2 | Actions | 18 |
|---------------|---|---------|-----------------------------|
| | | | Futures Homescane, Openacre |

SITE NAME:

Futures Homescape-, Openacre 18-24: NG16 5QA, - UPRN: N/A, Fire Risk Assessments, Futures Homescape

PROPERTY IMAGE



Photo 1

| UPRN: | N/A |
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| IOB NUMBER: | 335981 |
|-------------|--------|

| FRA COMPLETED BY: | Pennington Choices Limited |
|--------------------------------|----------------------------|
| FIRE RISK ASSESSOR NAME: | Adrian Gallimore |
| INSPECTION DATE: | 29 May 2024 |
| REPORT STATUS: | QA Approved |
| REASSESSMENT PRIORITY | Medium - 2 Years |
| VALID TO: (QA Use Only) | 9 Jun 2026 |
| VALIDATION DATE: (QA Use Only) | 9 Jun 2024 |
| VALIDATED BY: (QA Use Only) | Andy Cloke |
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VALIDATOR'S SIGNATURE: (QA Use Only)



Photo 2

Flagged items & Actions

2 flagged, 18 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 18 actions

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)?

Assessor Findings

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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А3

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 / F - Lightning / F1

Does the building have a lightning protection system?

Assessor Findings

The policy principle confirms that lightning protection is not 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 / G1

Are combustible materials kept away from any sources of ignition, including gas and electrical intake cupboards?

Assessor Findings

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Management should inspect the cupboard to ensure that combustible materials are not stored in proximity of ignition sources within.

Detailed Risk Assessment Part 2 / K - Means of Escape / K8

Are escape routes separated where appropriate?

Assessor Findings

There is a door separating the common area to the ground floor. The door is fitted with self closure device and Georgian reinforced glass. The door was in good condition and shuts close to the frame. There is a key operated lock fitted to the door.



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K8

The lock is not required and should be removed as this may compromise / delay safe egress.

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?

Assessor Findings

Conduit and cables were noted to the common are 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 15





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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.

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

Assessor Findings

It was not possible to confirm fire rating of flat doors as residents would not allow access.

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L1

Management should inspect all other dwelling doors to establish fire rating and condition. Where doors do not conform, they should be replaced with certified FD30S self closing fire door sets. Any installation should only be completed by a certified third-party installer.

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)

Assessor Findings

Emergency lighting is installed however, the unit to the ground floor rear had no LED light visible.







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Photo 20

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N1

Management should inspect the emergency light to the ground floor and repair as required.

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

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

Assessor Findings

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

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N2

Management should install external emergency lighting units to exits.

Detailed Risk Assessment Part 2 / O - Fire Safety Signs and Notices / O1

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)

Assessor Findings

Fire Action Notices are displayed within the common are which advise of a 'Stay Put Policy'. There are no fire doors signs to the common area fire door on the ground floor.



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01

Management should ensure that fire door signage is displayed to both sides of the door (Fire Door Keep Shut).

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?

Assessor Findings

There is no manual alarm system however 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.







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Photo 24

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Р1

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?

Assessor Findings

It was not possible to establish the arrangements for silencing as resetting the AFD system within the common area.

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P6

Management should confirm that there is a competent person responsible for arrangements for silencing and resetting the common area AFD system and ensure that arrangements are 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?

Assessor Findings

It was not possible to establish the level of detection to flats as residents would not allow access.

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P7

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?

Assessor finding

The roof space access hatch could not be opened as it was stuck within the frame. It was not possible to establish the level of compartmentation within the roof space.



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Q4

Management should ensure that the roof space is inspected by a competent person to ensure that compartmentation is adequate / maintained.

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

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

Assessor Findings

The cupboard under the stairs was not accessible. It was not possible to establish if ignition sources are present or if there are any compartmentation issues within. In addition, the embedded meter enclosure are fire rated however penetrations were identified within. The meter enclosure to the right-hand side of the ground floor (from front of property) appears to have rodent ingress and insulation material has been disturbed / chewed.









Photo 32

Photo 33

Photo 34

Photo 35

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Q5

Penetrations within embedded meter enclosures should be fire stopped with fire rated building materials. Management should consult with a pest control contractor to establish if rodents are present within and take any actions deemed appropriate.

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Q5

Where ignition sources are present within the under-stairs cupbaord the cupboard and door should be fire rated to FD30s / 30 minutes protected. Any penetrations within should be fire stopped with fire rated building 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?

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 2 / T - Procedures and Arrangements / T6

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

This premises is down as a general needs block. However, no evidence of any procedures were observed in regards to the evacuation of any potential disabled persons.

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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?

Assessor Findings

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.

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: | 2 |
|----------------------------------|-----|
| 1.6 No of Flats (if applicable): | 4 |
| 1.7 Ground Floor Area (m2): | 165 |
| | |

1.9 Building Description:

1.8 Total Area of all Floors (m2)

Purpose built general needs block of flats. The front entrance leads to ground floor lobby with exit to the rear leading to communal gardens and waste collection area. The entrance lobby has two flats with a single stairway leading to first floor landing with two flats (4 total). Exits are via the front entrance and rear exit to communal gardens.

1.10 Building Construction:

Traditional brick built property with tiled pitched roof. The ceiling to the ground floor is solid with emulsion / textured paint finish. The first floor ceiling is plaster boarded with emulsion textured paint. Internal walls to the common area are exposed brick with a solid stairway and floor.

1.11 Extent of common areas:

Entrance lobby, landing and stairway.

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

The cupboard under the stairs was not locked. The roof space access hatch could not be opened by the assessor.

1.13 If applicable, state which flats were sample inspected:

No flats were sampled as residents would not allow access.

2. The Occupants

2.1 Management Extent

Non Managed – eg GN

330

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 16 (4 per dwelling).

2.6 Approximate maximum number of employees at any one time

This is a general needs property with no employees present.

2.7 Number of members of the public (maximum estimated)

Low numbers expected.

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.

Detailed Risk Assessment Part 2

18 actions

A - Electrical Ignition Sources

1 action

A1

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

Assessor Finding

It was not possible to establish the date of the last fixed wiring test. There was no landlord's consumer unit identified within the common area. There is a cupbaord under the stairs which was not accessible to the assessor. It was not possible to establish if electrical intake present within. Refer to Policy Principle.



Photo 3

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

A2

Is PAT testing in common areas carried out?

Assessor Findings

No Portable Electrical Appliances were 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 1 action

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

Assessor Findings

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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А3

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

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Action/Recommendation Required?

Action Priority:

Recommendation - No Timescale

Α4

Is the use of adapters and leads limited?

None noted as being in use at the time of assessment.

Α5

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

No Photovoltaic, (PV), cells were identified at this address.



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B - Smoking Policies

В1

Are there suitable arrangements to prevent fire as a result from smoking?

In line with current UK legislation, no smoking is permitted in the common or landlord controlled areas. Resident must either smoke within their own flat, or outside of the block.

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 any illicit smoking and adequate signage instructing persons not to smoke in the communal areas is displayed.





Photo 5

Photo 6

C - Arson

C1

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

All of the entrances into the building are secured locked shut. They can only be opened from C2

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

Assessor Finding

There is a designated waste / recycling area in the communal garden to the rear of the property which is located away from the building.



Photo 7

D - Portable Heaters and Installations

D1

If used, is the use of portable heaters regarded as safe?

No portable Heaters are used within the premises.

D2

Are fixed heating systems maintained annually?

See Policy Principle

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)?

No cooking facilities within communal areas. Cooking takes place within individual flats which falls outside the Regulatory Reform (Fire Safety) Order 2005.

F - Lightning

F1 1 action

Does the building have a lightning protection system?

Assessor Findings

The policy principle confirms that lightning protection is not 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 | 1 action |
| G1 | 1 action |
| Are combustible materials kept away from any sources of ignition, including gas and electrical intake cupboards? | Assessor Findings |

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G1

Management should inspect the cupboard to ensure that combustible materials are not stored in proximity of ignition sources within.

| Action/Recommendation Required? | Yes |
|---|--|
| Action Priority: | Medium - 3 Months |
| G2 | |
| Are the escape routes kept clear of items combustible materials or waste and free of any trip hazards? | At the time of this assessment the escape routes were clear. |
| 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"? | No scooters or electric vehicles were stored in the means of escape. |
| H - Hazards Introduced by Contractors | |
| H1 | |

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? | No hazardous materials were found to be stored on the premises at the time of this assessment. |
| J - Other Significant Hazards | |
| J1 | |
| Are all issues deemed satisfactory? [1] | No issues to report |
| J2 | |
| Are all issues deemed satisfactory? [2] | No issues to report |
| K - Means of Escape | 2 actions |
| K1 | |
| Is the escape route design deemed satisfactory? (Consider current design codes) | The means of escape appears to be adequate from all areas. |
| K2 | |
| Is the fire-resisting construction (including any glazing) protecting escape routes and staircases of a suitable standard and maintained in sound condition? | The fire-resisting construction (including any glazing) protecting escape routes and staircases was of a suitable standard and maintained in sound condition. |
| К3 | |
| Is there adequate provision of exits (including exit Widths) for the numbers who may be present? | The exits provided are adequate for the maximum number of persons ever likely to need them to escape from a fire, taking into account the evacuation strategy in place for the building. |
| K4 | |
| Are doors on escape routes easily opened? (and are sliding | The final exit doors are provided with single action devices such as |

or revolving doors avoided?)

a thumb turn lock.





Photo 9

Photo 10

K5

Do final exits open in the direction of escape where necessary?

Assessor Findings

Both front and rear doors open in the direction of travel.

K6

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

The travel distances from all areas are within the maximum distances recommended in national guidance.

K7

Are there suitable precautions for all inner rooms?

There are no inner rooms in the communal or landlord only parts at this address.

K8 1 action

Are escape routes separated where appropriate?

Assessor Findings

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| Action/Recommendation Required? | Yes |
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| Action Priority: | Medium - 3 Months |
| К9 | |

Are corridors sub-divided where appropriate?

The corridors do not require sub dividing

K10

Do escape routes lead to a place of safety?

All escape routes lead to places of, "Ultimate Safety".

K11

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

Assessor Findings

Openable windows are installed to the first floor landing.



Photo 12

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?

Assessor Findings

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Action/Recommendation Required?

Yes

Action Priority:

Recommendation - No Timescale

L - Flat Entrance Doors

1 action

L1

1 action

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

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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?

Assessor Findings

Refer to K8.

N - Emergency Lighting

2 actions

N1

1 action

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

Assessor Findings

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Action/Recommendation Required?

Action Priority:

Low - 12 Months

N2

1 action

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N2

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| Action/Recommendation Required? | Yes |
|--|------------------------------------|
| Action Priority: | Low - 12 Months |
| 02 | |
| Wayfinding Signage (buildings over 11 metres in height). Are there clear markings for flat and floor recognition provided? | Wayfinding signage is not required |

P - Means of Giving Warning in Case of Fire

3 actions

P1

1 action

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| Action/Recommendation Required? | Yes |
|---|-------------------|
| Action Priority: | Medium - 3 Months |
| P2 | |
| If installed, is the common area AFD adequate for the occupancy and fire risk? | Assessor Findings |
| Refer to P1. | |
| P3 | |
| If not installed, are the premises deemed safe without a common area AFD system? | See P1 and P2 |
| P4 | |
| If there is a communal fire detection and fire alarm system, does it extend into the dwellings? | See P1 and P2 |
| P5 | |
| Where appropriate, has a fire alarm zone plan been provided? | Assessor Findings |

Not required. AFD installed to the common area only.

P6 1 action

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Assessor Findings

compartmentation.

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| 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? | This is a general needs property and therefore no requirement. |
| Q - Measures to Limit Fire Spread and Development | 3 actions |
| Q1 | |
| Is there adequate levels of compartmentation between floors and between flats and the common escape routes? | This is a purpose built block, from a visual inspection there is no evidence was seen to doubt adequacy of the |













Photo 25

Photo 26

Photo 27

Photo 28

Photo 29

Photo 30

Q2

Are hidden voids appropriately enclosed and/or fire-stopped? (consider above suspended ceilings)

During this assessment no voids were noted, see limitations statement.

Q3

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

No risers/ducts were installed in the building, see limitations statement.

Q4

1 action

Is compartmentation maintained in the roof space?

Assessor finding

The roof space access hatch could not be opened as it was stuck within the frame. It was not possible to establish the level of compartmentation within the roof space.



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Q4

Management should ensure that the roof space is inspected by a competent person to ensure that compartmentation is adequate / maintained.

| Action/Recommendation Required? | Yes |
|--|-------------------|
| Action Priority: | Medium - 3 Months |
| Q5 | 2 actions |
| Are electrics, including embedded meters, enclosed in fire rated construction? | Assessor Findings |

The cupboard under the stairs was not accessible. It was not possible to establish if ignition sources are present or if there are any compartmentation issues within. In addition, the embedded meter enclosure are fire rated however penetrations were identified within. The meter enclosure to the right-hand side of the ground floor (from front of property) appears to have rodent ingress and insulation material has been disturbed / chewed.









Photo 33

Photo 34

Photo 35

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Q5

Penetrations within embedded meter enclosures should be fire stopped with fire rated building materials. Management should consult with a pest control contractor to establish if rodents are present within and take any actions deemed appropriate.

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Q5

Where ignition sources are present within the under-stairs cupbaord the cupboard and door should be fire rated to FD30s / 30 minutes protected. Any penetrations within should be fire stopped with fire rated building materials.

| 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? | Assessor Findings |
| None present. | |
| Q7 | |
| Is there reasonable limitation of linings to escape routes that might promote fire spread? | It was not possible to confirm the FR of wall and ceiling linings. However, the existing finishes are in reasonable condition and do not appear to present a significant risk to fire spread or safe escape. |
| Q8 | |
| Are soft furnishings in common areas appropriate to limit fire spread/growth? | No soft furniture in the common areas |
| Q9 | |
| Does the premises have any external balconies, cladding or materials which may promote external fire spread? | The premises does not have any external balconies, cladding or materials which may promote |

| | external fire spread. |
|---|---|
| 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? | No not required |
| Q11 | |
| Does the External wall note include any mitigating circumstances that may have been taken to reduce the risk? | N/A |
| Q12 | |
| Has the responsible person reviewed the external wall note on a regular basis and revised it if there have been any significant changes in the external walls. | N/A |
| Q13 | |
| Are all other fire spread/compartmentation issues satisfactory? | No other issues noted at the time of this assessment. |
| R - Fire Extinguishing Appliances | |
| R1 | |
| If required, is there reasonable provision of accessible portable fire extinguishers? | There are no fire extinguishers provided in the communal areas. |
| S - Relevant Automatic Fire Extinguishing Systems | |
| S1 | |
| Are there any automatic fire suppressant systems on site? None present. | Assessor Findings |
| S2 | |
| Are there any fixed fire fighting mains within the premises? | Assessor Findings |
| None present. | |
| 33 | |
| If any other relevant systems / equipment is installed, state type of system and comment as necessary | N/A |
| None present. | |

| T - Procedures and Arrangements | 2 actions |
|---|--|
| T1 | |
| Recommended evacuation strategy for this building is: | Stay Put |
| T2 | 1 action |
| 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 to | for this property. |
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| T2 | |
| Management should confirm that there is a competent person in preventative and protective measures for this property. | place to undertake the |
| Action/Recommendation Required? | Yes |
| Action Priority: | Recommendation - No Timescale |
| T3 | |
| Are there appropriate documented fire safety arrangements and procedures in place in the event of fire? | Assessor Findings |
| Fire Action Notice are displayed within the common area that advise of a | Stay Put' policy. |
| T4 | |
| Are there suitable arrangements for liaison and calling the Fire Service? | Residents are expected to call the Fire and Rescue Service. |
| T5 | |
| Are there suitable fire assembly points away from any risk? | General needs property no fire assembly point required. Once outside, residents can move freely to a safe distance away from the premises. Assembly point(s) are any safe place clear of the building. |
| T6 | 1 action |
| Are there adequate procedures in place for the evacuation of disabled people who are likely to be present? | This premises is down as a general needs block. However, no evidence of any procedures were observed in regards to the evacuation of any potential disabled persons. |

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Т6

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 |
| Т7 | |
| Are staff nominated and trained on the use of fire extinguishing appliances? | No extinguishers on site |
| T8 | |
| Are staff nominated and trained to assist in evacuation (Where applicable e.g. Offices, supported schemes)? | No staff on site |
| 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) | No staff on site |

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 employees on site |
| V - Testing and Maintenance | |
| V1 | |
| Are all fire safety provisions for the building (AFD, Emergency Lighting, sprinklers etc.) routinely tested and maintained? | See Principle Policy |

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?

The property is a general needs block with 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 PIB installed to the premise.

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

Y - Engagement with Residents 1 action Y1 Has all Fire Safety information & procedures been disseminated to the residents? Assessor Findings

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.

information was not available at the time of assessment.

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Y1

Z2

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 | |
| Z1 | |
| Are all issues deemed satisfactory? [1] | N/A |
| No further issues were identified at the time of assessment. | |

Are all issues deemed satisfactory? [2]

N/A

No further issues were identified at the time of assessment.

Assessment Risk Ratings

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 | | |
|--------------------|--------------------------------|---------------|--------------|
| Likelinood of tire | 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 | 301921 |
| 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 | Openacre 18-24: NG16 5QA |
| Part 3b - Part or parts of the premises to which the Fire Risk Assessment applies | Entrance lobby, landing and stairway. |
| 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 Jun 2024 |
| Part 6 - Recommended Date for Reassessment of the premises | 9 Jun 2026 |
| Part 7 - Unique Reference Number of this Certificate (Job Number) | 335981 |

Signed for on behalf of the Issuing Certified Organisation



Dated: 9 Jun 2024

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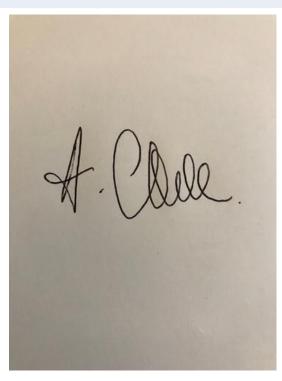


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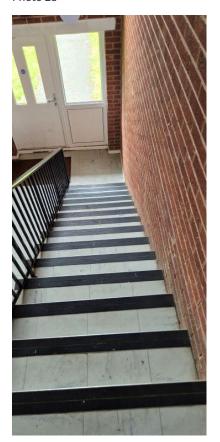


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