Fire Risk Assessment

New Hope Road.

2-6, 15-19, 18-22, 45-49, 48-52, 54-58, 91-95 Smethwick B66 3TY.



Date Completed: 15 March 2024

Review Period: 3 years

Officer: Anthony Smith Fire Risk Assessor

Checked By: J Blewitt Team Lead Fire Safety & Facilities

Current Risk Rating = Trivial



Subsequent reviews

Review date	Officer	<u>Comments</u>

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Introduction

The Regulatory Reform (Fire Safety) Order 2005 (RR(FS)O) places a legal duty on landlords to complete a fire risk assessment (FRA). Specifically, RR(FS)O article 9. — (1) "The responsible person must make a suitable and sufficient assessment of the risks to which relevant persons are exposed for the purpose of identifying the general fire precautions he needs to take to comply with the requirements and prohibitions imposed on him by or under this Order".

This fire risk assessment has been written to comply fully with the above legislation which is enforced locally by West Midlands Fire Service. If required, complaints can be made to them by telephone on 0121 380 7500 or electronically on https://www.safety/#reportfiresafety. In the first instance however, we would be grateful if you could contact us directly via https://www.sandwell.gov.uk/info/200195/contact_the_council/283/feedback_and_complaints or by phone on 0121 569 6000.

The date of the fire risk assessment is on the front page, followed by any subsequent reviews. A recurring time frame is not set in legislation, but the Council will as a minimum review:

- High Risk Residential Buildings annually
- Other Buildings every 3 years

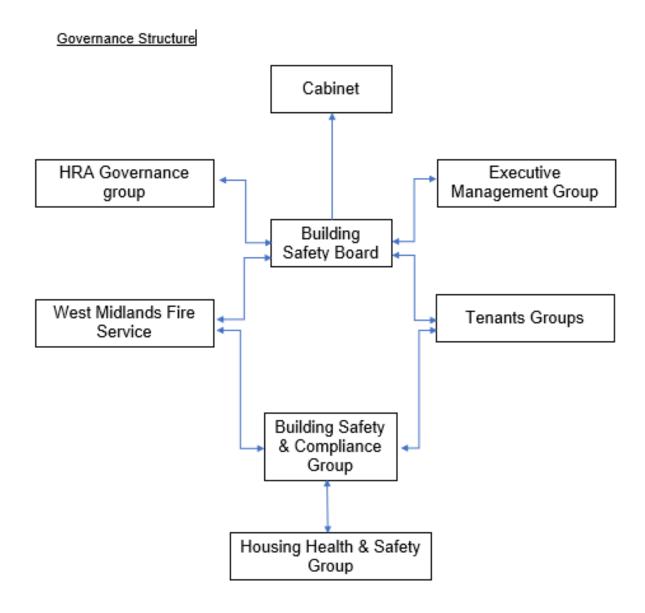
The council has procedures and policies in place that will trigger a review of the fire risk assessment. This then is recorded on the fire risk assessment. If the review suggests the fire risk assessment is not currently suitable and sufficient, then a new fire risk assessment will be undertaken and become the current fire risk assessment. The previous fire risk assessment will be retained in the building safety case for that building.

The following diagrams illustrate those procedures and persons that support the effective planning, organisation, control, monitoring and review of the preventive and protective measures. This information is provided as required under the RR(FS)O.



The above processes and procedures are overseen by the Fire Safety, Manager who reports to the Head of Building Safety

These managers attend the Building Safety and Compliance Group for scrutiny which is part of the governance structure below.



To summarise the fire risk assessment, in this scenario the RR(FS)O requires the prescribed information to be recorded. The prescribed information is the significant findings of the fire risk assessment and those groups or persons especially at risk from fire. This is recorded here in section 1. Also required to be recorded under article 11, are the fire safety arrangements for the planning, organisation, control, monitoring and review of the preventative and protective measures. The information shown above is part of this requirement.

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Significant findings

The significant findings (executive summary) of the fire risk assessment include those measures that have been or will be undertaken by the responsible person in order to comply with the RR(FS)O 2005. Groups of people especially at risk of fire include such people as remote or lone workers, at risk due to layout of the building, visitors and contractors unfamiliar with the building layout as well as those with physical, sensory or mental health issues.

A third requirement that under the order must be recorded is the fire safety arrangements. This is the effective planning, organisation, control, monitoring and review of the preventive and protective measures. These are shown in the introduction.

Significant findings

Include a brief summary of protective and preventative measures where relevant along with any issues found;

The escape strategy is 'Stay Put Unless'. This means in the event of a fire in your flat you should evacuate. If there is a fire elsewhere in the building you should stay put unless you are affected by fire, smoke or you have been advised by the emergency services to leave.

Section number	Section Area	Individual Risk Level
Section 6	External Envelope Each façade of the building comprises of traditional brick masonry. Individual flat windows and those to communal areas are UPVC double glazed units.	Trivial
Section 7	Means of Escape from Fire Each premise has a single staircase and final exit door.	Trivial

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	Items outside of Flat 6 to be removed. Email sent to housing manager.	
Section 8	Fire Detection and Alarm Systems Flats have a fire detection system fitted to an LD3 standard.	Trivial
Section 9	Emergency Lighting Emergency lighting has not been installed.	Trivial
	Convention lighting is in place to the communal parts.	
Section 10	Compartmentation	Trivial
	The blocks have sufficient compartmentation between dwellings.	
	Individual flat entrance doors are predominately Notional FD30s fire doors.	
Section 11	Fire Fighting Equipment The premises have no provision for firefighting equipment.	Trivial
Section 12	Fire Signage Due to simplicity of layout no requirement for fire signage.	Trivial
Section 13	Employee Training All staff receive basic fire safety awareness training.	Trivial
Section 14	Sources of Ignition The fixed electrical tests were last completed 29/07/2020.	Trivial
Section 15	Waste Control Refuse containers are emptied regularly.	Trivial

	There is a regular cleaning service to the premises.	
Section 16	Control and Supervision of Contractors and Visitors Contractors are controlled centrally, and hot works permits are required where necessary.	Trivial
Section 17	Arson Prevention There is a door entry system which prevents unauthorised access. External lighting is in place.	Trivial
Section 18	Storage Arrangements Residents instructed not to bring L.P.G cylinders into block.	Trivial

Risk Level Indicator

The following simple risk level estimator is based on commonly used risk level estimator:

Likelihood of fire	Poten	tial consequences o	f fire
	Slight harm	Moderate harm	Extreme harm
Low	Trivial risk	Tolerable risk	Moderate risk
Medium	Tolerable risk	Moderate risk	Substantial risk
High	Moderate risk	Substantial risk	Intolerable risk

•	on measures observed at the time of this risk that the hazard from fire (likelihood of fire) at
Low ☐ Medium ⊠	High □
In this context, a definition of	the above terms is as follows:
Low	Unusually low likelihood of fire because 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.
fire protection and procedura	e premises and the occupants, as well as the larrangements observed at the time of this sidered that the consequences for life safety
Slight Harm ⊠ Moderate	Harm □ Extreme Harm □
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 (other than an occupant sleeping in a room in which a fire occurs).
Moderate harm	Outbreak of fire could foreseeably result in injury including serious injury) of one or more

occupants, but it is unlikely to involve multiple fatalities.

Extreme harm

Significant potential for serious injury or death of one or more occupants.

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

Trivial ⊠	Tolerable □	Moderate □	Substantial 🗆	Intolerable

Comments

In conclusion, the likelihood of fire is at a medium level of risk prior to the implementation of the action plan because of the presence normal fire hazards for this type of occupancy which have all been highlighted within the fire risk assessment.

After considering the use of the premise and the occupants the consequences for life safety in the event of a fire would be slight harm.

This is due to there being a Stay Put Unless policy and sufficient compartmentation to include predominately Notional FD30s doors to flat entrances combined with suitable smoke detection to LD3 standard within flats.

Overall, the level of risk at the time of this FRA is Trivial.

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 that has been advocated for general health and safety risks:

Risk level	Action and timescale
Trivial	No action is required, and no detailed records need to be kept.

Tolerable	No major additional fire precautions required. However, there might be a need for reasonably practicable improvements that involve minor or limited cost.
Moderate	It is essential that efforts are made to reduce the risk. Risk reduction measures, which should take cost into account, 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 premises are unoccupied, it should not be occupied until the risk has been reduced. If the premises are occupied, urgent action should be taken.
Intolerable	Premises (or relevant area) should not be occupied until the risk is reduced.

(Note that, although the purpose of this section is to place the fire 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.)

Section

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People at Significant Risk of Fire

Persons at significant risk of fire does not just refer to those people with physical, sensory or mental health issues. It also includes those at risk due to the layout or features of the building such as inner rooms or dead-end conditions. Persons may also be at risk due to remote or lone working.

The RR(FS)O requires that these people are identified in any fire risk assessment.

Sandwell Council takes the health, safety and wellbeing of its colleagues, contractors, residents and leaseholders seriously. It is our policy to exceed, where possible, the minimum health and safety requirements of the law.

Residents are responsible for letting us know whether they might need a Personal Emergency Evacuation Plan (PEEP). The Resident Engagement Officers (Fire Safety) will conduct an assessment visit upon request. Any risk-reduction measures that are found where a PEEP is necessary and completed will be documented and taken quickly. With the consent of the resident, we will make a referral for West Midlands Fire Service to conduct a Safe and Well visit.

When a PEEP is in place, the relevant information will be kept in the secure Premise Information Box (High Rise Buildings only), which is set up to help WMFS in an emergency. The data is classified as level 1, which means it complies with the General Data Protection Regulations.

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Contact Details

The Chief Executive of Sandwell Metropolitan Borough Council has ultimate responsibility for the site as the responsible person identified by the RR(FS)O 2005.

The Chief Executive has put a structure in place to support the management of the site.

This includes the role of Building Safety Manager who has duties as defined within the Regulatory Reform (Fire Safety) Order 2005.

The contact names to support the management of the site are as follows:

Chief Executive

Shokat Lal

Interim Director of Housing

Dean Epton

Assistant Director Building Compliance

Phil Deery

Fire Safety Manager

Tony Thompson

Team Lead Fire Safety

Jason Blewitt

Fire Risk Assessor(s)

Carl Hill

Louis Conway

Anthony Smith

Resident Engagement Officer - Fire Safety

Lee Mlilo

Abdul Monim Khan

Housing Office Manager

Susan Geddes

Please note, the above details are correct at the time of the production of the risk assessment and may be subject to change

Description of Premises

New Hope Road 2-6, 15-19, 18-22, 45-49, 48-52, 54-58, 91-95 Smethwick B66 3TY

Description of the Property

The low-rise block was built in 1969. The block consists of 3 storeys (inclusive of the ground floor) Each of the floors contains 1 number dwelling.





The block has a main entrance to the side elevation. The side entrance has a door entry system with a fob reader installed.

Each main entrance has a door entry system with a firefighter override switch.









There is a single stairwell to each block, with a flat entrance door on each landing.



Access to each block is gained via the Firefighter override switch utilising a drop latch key.



The communal, any workplace areas and the external envelope of the building are subject to the Regulatory Reform (Fire Safety) Order 2005 as confirmed by the Fire Safety Act 2021.

The enforcing authority is West Midlands Fire Service.

High/Low Rise	Low Rise
Number of Floors	3
Date of Construction	1969
Construction Type	Traditional brick cavity
Last Refurbished	Unknown
External Cladding	None
Number of Lifts	None
Number of Staircases	1 per block
Automatic Smoke Ventilation to	No
communal area	
Fire Alarm System	No
Refuse Chute	1
Access to Roof	External only.
Equipment on roof (e.g., mobile	None
phone station etc)	

Persons at Risk

Residents / Occupants of 21 flats.

Visitors,

Sandwell MBC employees,

Contractors.

Service providers (e.g., meter readers, delivery people etc)

Statutory bodies (e.g., W.M.F.S, Police, and Ambulance)

Section 5

Building Plan

General plan which outlines the buildings footprint.



External envelope

Following the introduction of the Fire Safety Act 2021, consideration needs to be given to the external envelope of the building for any fire risk. This predominantly means the external wall construction including any insulation filler. It also includes balconies and any other fixtures as well as doors and windows.

A breakdown of the materials present within the external envelope has been listed below. It is deemed that these materials or their combination of or application present an acceptable level of fire risk.

1) The exterior of the buildings is predominantly traditional brick construction.







2) Individual communal windows to the stairs are UPVC double glazed units with UPVC panels. Flats have UPVC windows and UPVC panels.









3) Front entrance doors are timber.



4) The block has a flat roof.



Means of Escape from Fire

1) Each of the blocks has a single staircase, the width is 900 mm.



2) The means of escape are protected to prevent the spread of fire and smoke with predominately Notional FD30s timber doors. No internal access to flats was gained during the fire risk assessment.





3) The only communal doors within the block are the final exit doors which are fitted with automatic closing devices that are checked on a regular basis by the Janitorial Teams as part of their daily checks. All blocks have a store door at ground floor level under the concrete stairs. These doors were not opened during the fire risk assessment as no key available.



4) The final exit door is fitted with an automatic closing device and door entry system. This entry system is designed to fail safe i.e., door unlocked in the event of a power failure. This prevents residents being locked in or out of the building.







- 5) Automatic smoke ventilation is not employed.
- 6) Communal windows to the landings are openable without the use of a key.





7) Communal areas are kept free of flammable items. Shelving and items outside of flat 6 to be removed. Email sent to housing manager on 15/03/2024.





Good housekeeping is fundamental to reducing risk in blocks of flats. Controlling the presence of combustible materials and ignition sources not only reduces the potential for accidental fires to start and develop in the common parts, it also significantly reduces the scope for deliberate fires. It also ensures escape routes are free of obstructions that might hinder the evacuation of people from the building and access for fire-fighters.

8) Conventional lighting is provided to the communal landings and stairs.



9) Ground floor communal area service cupboards have non fire rated fire doors and construction. Meter cupboards at first and second floor are a combination of steel and fibreglass.







- 10) The surface coatings to the communal areas are class 0 rated.
- 11) The building has sufficient passive controls that provide effective compartmentation in order to support a Stay Put-Unless Policy. Therefore, residents are advised to remain in their flat unless the fire directly affects them or if they are advised to evacuate by the emergency services.
- 12)Individual Flat doors are predominately Notional FD30s rated doors. No access was gained during the Fire risk assessment to inspect the internal side of the door or residents smoke detection.





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Fire Detection and Alarm Systems

- Early warning is limited to hard wire or battery smoke alarms within each of the resident's flats. The equipment is subjected to a cyclical test.
- 2) Based on the previous fire risk assessment the smoke alarms within residents' flats are installed to an LD3 standard. No access was gained during this fire risk assessment.

For information

LD1 all rooms except wet rooms

LD2 all-risk rooms e.g., Living Room, Kitchens and Hallway.

LD3 Hallway only

- 3) There is no effective means for detecting an outbreak of fire to communal areas in the remaining blocks. The reason for this is:
 - I. Such systems may get vandalised.
 - II. False alarms would occur.
 - III. A Stay Put Unless policy is in place.

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Emergency Lighting

 Blocks do not have an emergency / escape lighting system. This is deemed acceptable within a 3-storey block that has adequate conventional lighting installed.





Section 10

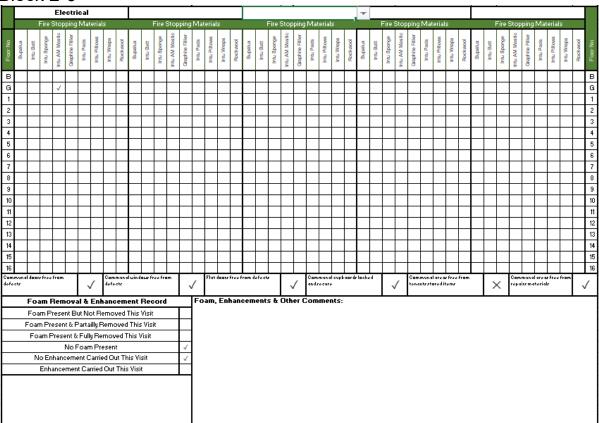
Compartmentation

This section should be read in conjunction with Section 4

- 1) The building is designed to provide as a minimum 1-hour vertical fire resistance and 1-hour horizontal fire resistance around flats stairwells. Flat entrance doors in 1-hour rated walls are 30-minute fire resistant.
- 2) The premises do not have sufficient compartmentation to limit the travel and effect of smoke and flame in event of a fire in communal areas due to the open plan staircase.
- 3) A variety of methods / materials have been used to achieve firestopping including Rockwool, fire rated sponge and intumescent pillows.

- 4) The fire stopping / compartmentation is subject to an annual check by the Fire Safety Rapid Response Team.
- 5) Any remedial works arising from the fire stopping / compartmentation check(s) will be actioned immediately by the Fire Safety Rapid Response Team.

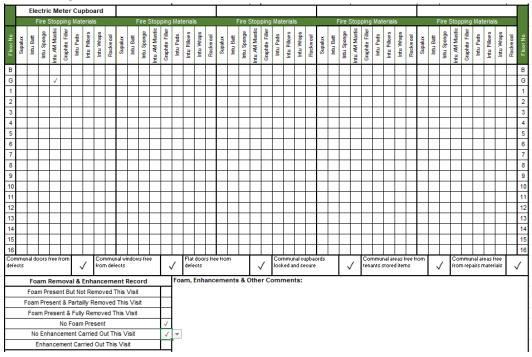
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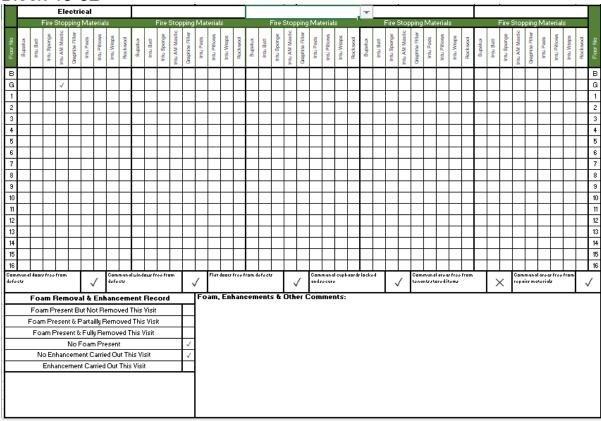
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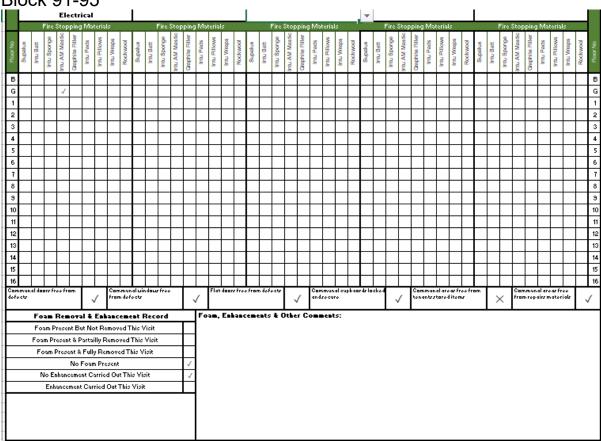
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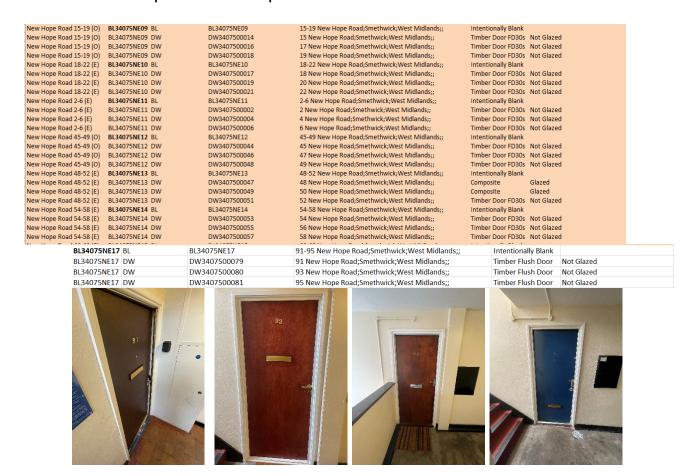
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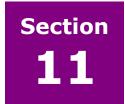


 Individual flat doors are predominantly Notional FD30s rated timber fire doors.

Refer to updated door spreadsheet below.



There is no means of access to the internal roof space from the common areas. The roof is flat.



Fire Fighting Equipment

1) The premise has no provision for firefighting equipment.

Fire Signage

- Fire Action Notices are not displayed throughout the building. The signs are not necessary due to the building not having a complex layout.
- 2) Smoking is prohibited within any communal parts of the building in line with Smoke Free England Legislation. Signs are displayed throughout the building.



- 3) The fire escape routes do not use directional fire signage in accordance due to simplicity of layout.
- 4) Yellow LPG warning signs are not displayed.

Section 13

Employee & Resident Training/Provision of Information

- 1) All Caretaking / Cleaning Employees have undertaken fire safety training. This includes use of bespoke 'Fire Safety in High / Low Rise Flatted Accommodation' Video.
- All employees are encouraged to complete 'In the line of fire' training on an annual basis.

- Caretaking Teams are not currently trained in the effective use of fire extinguishers. Caretaking Teams are not expected to tackle fires in this area.
- 4) Staff undertaking fire risk assessments are qualified to or working towards Level 4 Diploma in Fire Safety.
- 5) Fire safety information has been provided as part of tenancy pack.
- 6) Information regarding use of fire doors is provided to residents.



7) Information regarding the Stay Put unless fire evacuation strategy is provided to residents.



Section 14

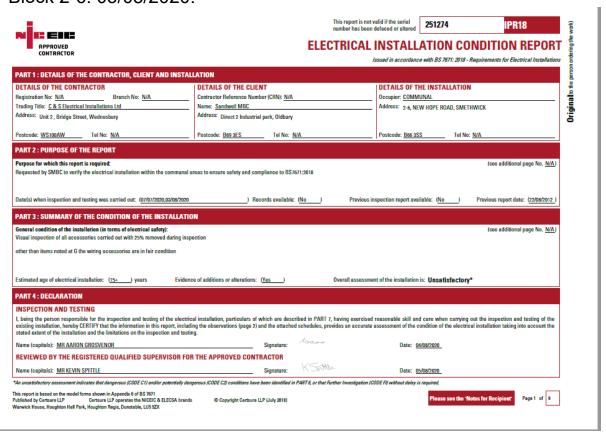
Sources of Ignition

1) Smoking is prohibited within any communal parts of the building in line with Smoke Free England legislation.



- 2) Hot working is not normally carried out. If essential maintenance requires the use of hot work processes, then corporate policies and procedures are to be followed.
- 3) Portable electrical equipment used as part of the Caretaking / Cleaning regime is subject to annual PAT Testing. This information is held by the Estate Services Manager Bryan Low.
- 4) The fixed electrical installation shall be tested every 5 years. It was noted that the last inspection was 29/07/2020.

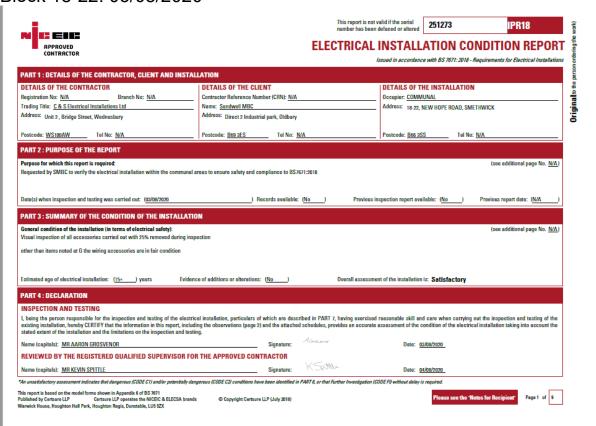
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Frading Title: C & S Electrical Installations Ltd	Name: Sandwell MBC	Address: 15-19, NEW HOPE ROAD, SMETHWICK	. <u>e</u>
Address: Unit 2 , Bridge Street, Wednesbury	Address: Direct 2 Industrial park, Oldbury		Oii.
Postcode: WS100AW Tel No: N/A	Postcode: B69 3ES Tel No: N/A	Postcode: <u>B66 8SS</u> Tel No: <u>N/A</u>	
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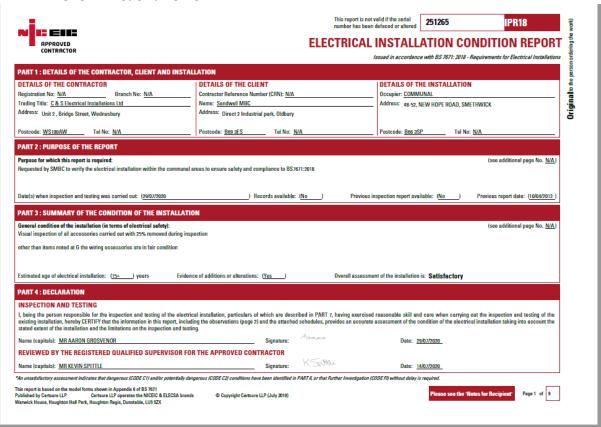
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Registration No: N/A Branch No: N/A Trading Title: C & S Electrical Installations Ltd	Contractor Reference Number (CRN): N/A Name: Sandwell MBC	Occupier: COMMUNAL Address: 45-59, NEW HOPE ROAD, SMETHWICK	
Address: Unit 2 , Bridge Street, Wednesbury	Address: Direct 2 Industrial park, Oldbury	43-35, NEW HOFE HOAD, SWETHWICK	Originato to
Postcode: WS100AW Tel No: N/A	Postcode: <u>B69 3ES</u>	Postcode: <u>B66 6EZ</u> Tel No: <u>N/A</u>	
PART 2: PURPOSE OF THE REPORT			
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Requested by SMBC to verify the electrical installation within the communal a	reas to ensure safety and compliance to BS7671:2018		
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Name (capitals): MR KEVIN SPITTLE	Signature: K Softle	Date: 14/07/2020	
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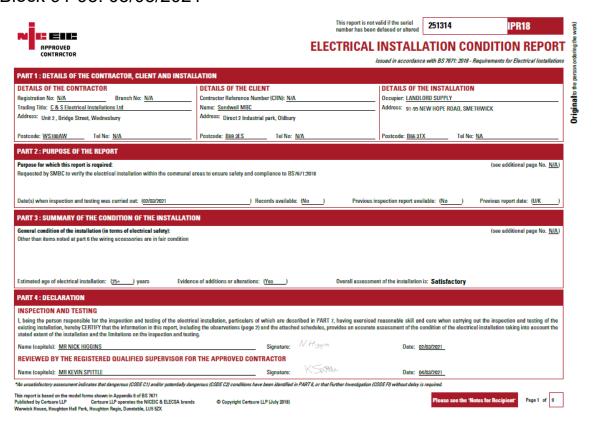
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Registration No: N/A Branch No: N/A	Contractor Reference Number (CRN): N/A	Occupier: Communal	
Trading Title: C& S Electrical Installations Ltd	Name: Sandwell MBC	Address: 54-58, New Hope Road	Smethwick
Address: Unit 2 , Bridge Street, Wednesbury	Address: Direct 2 Industrial park, Oldbury		
Postcode: WS100AW Tel No: N/A	Postcode: B69 3ES Tel No: N/A	Postcode: B66 4SL	Tel No: n/a
PART 2 : PURPOSE OF THE REPORT			
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5) The electrical installation i.e., risers are contained within dedicated service cupboards and are located in the entrance lobby.



- 6) Portable heaters are not allowed in any common parts of the premises.
- 7) Gas appliances and pipework (where installed) are subject to annual testing and certification. This cyclical contract is managed by the in-house Gas Team. Gas meters and pipework to flats is internal to the building.



Waste Control

- 1) There is a regular cleaning service to the premises.
- 2) Regular checks by Caretakers minimise risk of waste accumulation.





3) There is an 'Out of Hours' service in place to remove bulk items.

Control and Supervision of Contractors and Visitors

- Responsive Repairs service delivered by Sandwell MBC necessitates the production of an order via the computerised repairs system. Details of any known risks are documented on the repair order.
- 2) Hot works are not permitted unless authorisation is given via the approved officer. The hot works procedure is to be followed.
- Owing to the nature of Low-Rise flatted accommodation, it is difficult to manage / control individual contractors / utility companies.
- 4) However, utility companies are not allowed to access any service cupboard or secure area. They must request and collect maintenance keys from the local housing team. This allows scrutiny of what is the scope of any works such as installation of tenant's broadband / phone line etc.
- 5) Where contractors are appointed to undertake major refurbishment works, Sandwell MBC Urban Design team will put control measures in place. Such Measures include:
 - a) Pre-Contract Meetings where contractor is made aware of all working arrangements and safe systems of work to be adopted. Issues covered in this meeting will include:
 - Health and Safety.
 - Site security.
 - Safety of working and impact on children/school business.
 - Fire risk, if any.
 - Site Emergency Plan.
 - b) Monthly Site Meetings in order to monitor, review and share any new information including any new risks.
 - c) Site monitored daily whilst work is in progress by Clerk of Works / Health and Safety Officers.
 - d) Final Contractor review on completion of works undertaken.

Arson Prevention

 Restricted access to the premises by means of a door entry system.





- 2) There is no current evidence of arson.
- 3) The perimeter of the premises is well illuminated.



4) There have been no fire related incidents since the previous FRA.

Storage Arrangements

- 1) Residents instructed not to bring L.P.G cylinders into block.
- 2) The tenancy conditions, Section 7 Condition 5.6 stipulates "If you live in a flat or maisonette, you, people living with you and any visitors to your property must not keep or use paraffin oil, petrol, bottled gas appliances or any other explosive, FLAMMABLE or dangerous material in the property. This restriction also applies to any storage facility situated in or attached to the block, which has been provided for your use."
- 3) No Flammable liquids stored on site by Caretakers / cleaners.
- 4) There are no flammable liquids or gas cylinders stored on site.

Additional Control Measures; Fire Risk Assessment - Level 2 Action Plan

Significant Findings

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It is considered that the following recommendations should be	
implemented to reduce fire risk to, or maintain it at, the following le	el:

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Definition of priorities (where applicable):

- P1 Arrange and complete as urgent Within 10 days
- P2 Arrange and complete within 1-3 Months of assessment date
- P3 Arrange and complete within 3-6 Months of assessment date
- P4 Arrange and complete exceeding 6 months under programmed work



Fire Risk Assessment Level 2 Action Plan



Name of Premises or Location:	New Hope Road 2-6, 15-19, 18-22, 45-49, 48-52, 54-58, 91-95
Date of Action Plan:	18/03/2024
Review Date:	<insert date=""></insert>

Question/ Ref No	Required Action	Supporting photograph	Priority	Timescale and Person Responsible	Date Completed
	No Actions				

When undertaking future improvement program(s), it is advised that the observations listed below should be given consideration (noting that the safety of the residents is not jeopardised by these, and all steps to reduce any known risks have been taken).

Observations

Future works programme should consider encasing the electrical intake within the ground floor staircase with fire resisting construction.

Future works programme should consider the installation of emergency lighting within the staircase.



Future works programme should consider the replacement of the UPVC panels with a non-combustible construction.



Signed

A. SATH	Fire Risk Assessor	Date: 18/03/2024
Bleund	Quality Assurance Check	Date: 19/03/2024

Appendix 1

Significant Hazards on Site and Information to be Provided for the Fire Service

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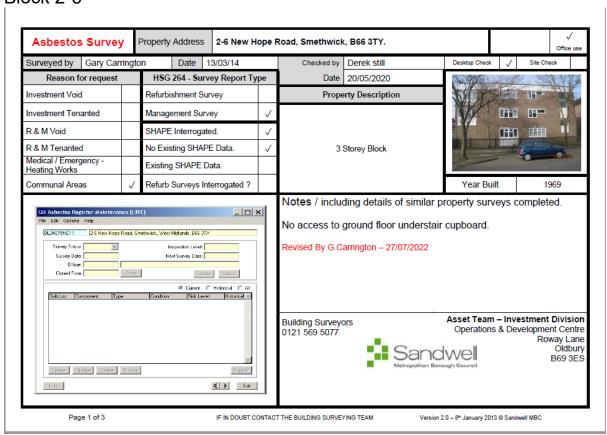
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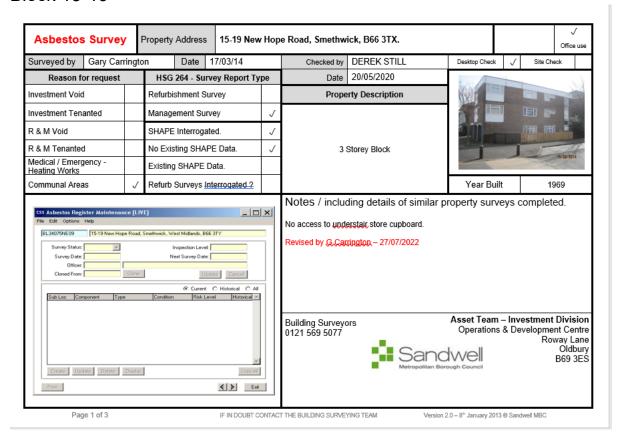
Premise Manager: Tony Thompson Tel. No.: 0121 569 2975

Hazard	Information/Comments
Asbestos	An asbestos survey has been undertaken of the communal areas. Survey held by Sandwell Housing (Derek Still Tel:- 0121 569 5077). Include survey

Block 2-6



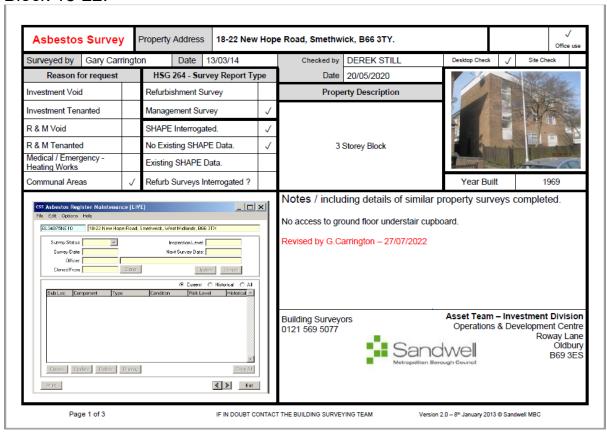
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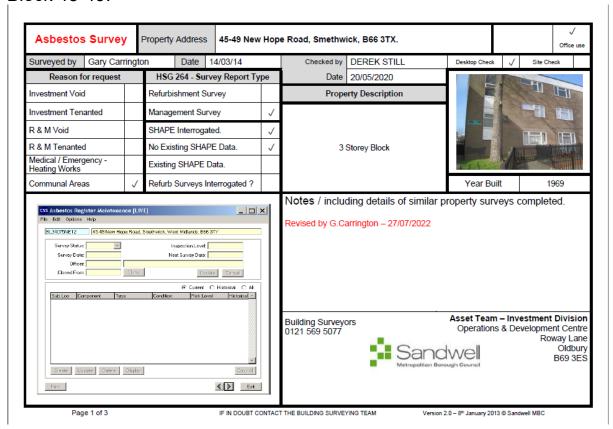


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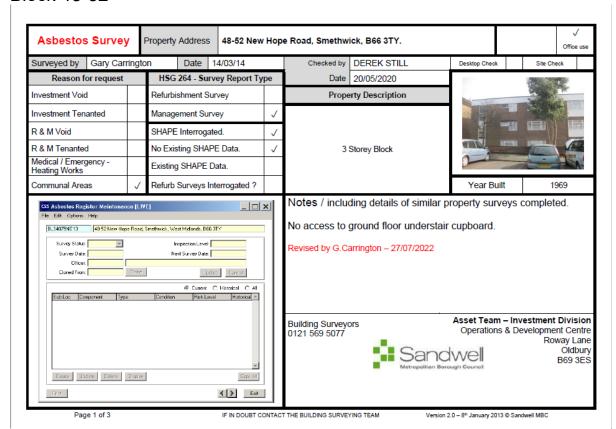
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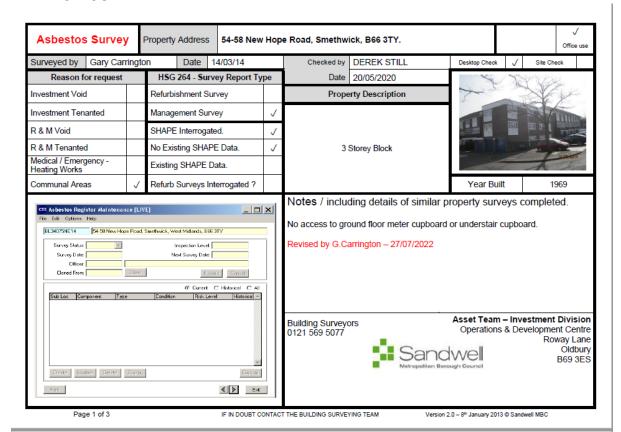
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IF DURING THE COURSE OF WOR	K SUSF	ECTED A	CM'S ARI	E IDENTIFIE	D THAT ARE NO	OT CONTAINED	WITHIN THIS REP	ORT ST	OP W	ORK & S	SEEK ADVICE
COMMUNAL WALLS		TEXTURE	D COATING	3 -	SEALED	GC456 / 1	NO ASBESTOS DETECTED	-	-		-
COMMUNAL CEILINGS		TEXTURE	D COATING	3 -	SEALED	GC456 / 2	NO ASBESTOS DETECTED	-	-		-
GARAGE SOFFIT		BC	ARD	2 lm	SEALED	PRESUMED	AMOSITE	YES	-		-
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ITEMS SHOWN BELO	W HAV	E BEEN A	SSESSE	ON SITE E	Y THE ASBEST	OS SURVEYOR	& ARE CONFIRM	ED NOT	то в	ACM's	
LOCATION DESCRIPTION	MAT	TERIAL	LOC	CATION DES	SCRIPTION	MATERIAL	LOCATIO	N DESC	RIPTI	ON	MATERIAL
GROUND FLOOR METER CUPBOARD	PLY	WOOD	2 ND FLO	OR SERVICE I	DUCT ADJACENT OOR	PLYWOOD					
GROUND FLOOR METER CUPBOARD – BACKBOARD	PLY	WOOD	GR	OUND FLOOR	FLAT ROOF	MINERAL FELT					
GROUND FLOOR UNDERSTAIR CUPBOARD TRANSOM	PLY	YWOOD		GARAGE SOFFIT		PLYWOOD					
GROUND FLOOR TILES	QU	ARRYS	FLATS FI	RONT DOOR F	RAME SEALANTS	NO VISIBLE SEALANTS					
1 ST FLOOR SERVICE DUCT ADJACENT TO FLAT DOOR	PLY	WOOD									

Block 48-52

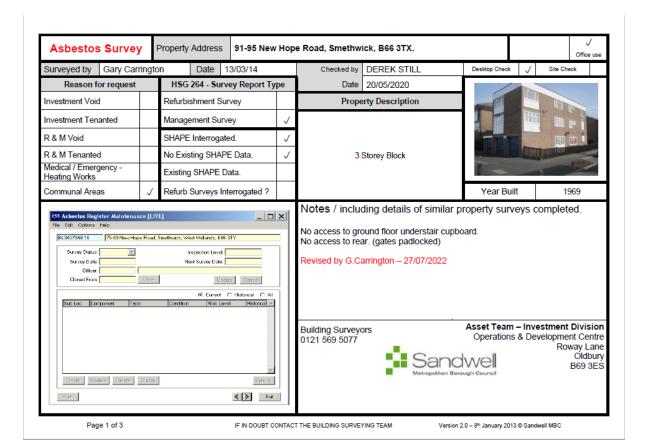


Sample Locations	Prop Addr		48-52 New	/ Hope Road,	Smethwick, B	66 3TY.				
LOCATION	LOCATION MATE		QTY	SURFACE TREATMEN		RESULT	HSE NOTIF Y	Labelled ?		ION TAKEN ON CONTRACT
IF DURING THE COURSE OF WOR	K SUSPECTED A	CM'S ARE	EIDENTIFIE	D THAT ARE NO	OT CONTAINED W	ITHIN THIS REP	ORT ST	OP W	ORK & S	EEK ADVICE
COMMUNAL WALLS	TEXTUR	ED COATING	-	SEALED	GC457 / 1	CHRYSOTILE	NO	-		-
ITEMS SHOWN BELO	OW HAVE BEEN A	SSESSED	ON SITE B	Y THE ASBEST	OS SURVEYOR &	ARE CONFIRM	ED NOT	то ве	ACM's.	
LOCATION DESCRIPTION	MATERIAL	LOC	CATION DES	CRIPTION	MATERIAL	LOCATIO	N DESC	RIPTI	ON	MATERIAL
GROUND FLOOR ELECTRIC CUPBOARD	PLYWOOD & MDF	1 ST FLOO	OR SERVICE D	UCT ADJACENT DOOR	PLYWOOD	FLAT 52 FRONT	FLAT 52 FRONT DOOR FRAME SEALANT			NO VISIBLE SEALANT
GROUND FLOOR ELECTRIC CUPBOARD – FRONT PANELS	PLYWOOD			DUCT ADJACENT DOOR	PLYWOOD					
GROUND FLOOR ELECTRIC CUPBOARD – ELECTRIC BACKBOARD	PLYWOOD		GARAGE SOFFIT		PLYWOOD					
ROUND FLOOR UNDERSTAIR CUPBOARD TRANSOM	PLYWOOD	GRO	OUND FLOOR	FLAT ROOF	MINERAL FELT					
GROUND FLOOR TILES	QUARRYS	FLATS	48 & 50 FRONT SEALAN	DOOR FRAME	SILICONE					

Block 54-58



Sample Locations	Prop Addr		54-58 New Hope Road, Smethwick, B66 3TY.										
LOCATION	MAT	TERIAL	QTY	SURFACE TREATMEN		RESULT	HSE NOTIF Y	Labelled ?	ACTION TAKEN ON CONTRACT				
IF DURING THE COURSE OF WOR	K SUSPECTED A	CM'S AR	E IDENTIFIE	D THAT ARE NO	OT CONTAINED V	WITHIN THIS REF	ORT ST	OP W	ORK & SEEK ADVICE				
COMMUNAL WALLS	TEXTUR	ED COATIN	G -	SEALED	GC458 / 1	CHRYSOTILE	NO	-	-				
ITEMS SHOWN BELO	W HAVE BEEN A	SSESSE	D ON SITE B	Y THE ASBEST	OS SURVEYOR 8	ARE CONFIRM	ED NOT	TO BE	ACM's.				
LOCATION DESCRIPTION	MATERIAL	LO	CATION DES	CRIPTION	MATERIAL	LOCATIO	N DESC	RIPTIO	ON MATERIAL				
GROUND FLOOR METER CUPBOARD	PLYWOOD		GARAGE S	OFFIT	PLYWOOD								
GROUND FLOOR UNDERSTAIR CUPBOARD TRANSOM	PLYWOOD	GF	ROUND FLOOR	FLAT ROOF	MINERAL FELT								
GROUND FLOOR TILES	QUARRYS	FLATS F	RONT DOOR F	RAME SEALANTS	NO VISIBLE SEALANT								
16T FLOOR SERVICE DUCT ADJACENT TO FLAT DOOR	PLYWOOD												
2 ND FLOOR SERVICE DUCT ADJACENT TO FLAT DOOR	PLYWOOD												



Sample Locations	\neg	Prope Addre		91-	95 New	Hope Road,	Smethwick, E	366 3TX.				
LOCATION	LOCATION MA		ATERIAL		QTY	SURFACE TREATMENT	SAMPLE REF	RESULT	HSE NOTIF Y	Labelled ?		ON TAKEN ON CONTRACT
IF DURING THE COURSE OF WOR	K SUSPE	ECTED A	CM'S AF	RE ID	ENTIFIE	D THAT ARE NO	T CONTAINED	WITHIN THIS REP	ORT ST	OP W	ORK & S	EEK ADVICE
COMMUNAL WALLS		TEXTURE	D COATIN	NG	-	SEALED	GC453 / 1	CHRYSOTILE	NO	-		-
GARAGE SOFFIT		ВО	ARD		2 lm	SEALED	GC453 / 2	CHRYSOTILE & AMOSITE	YES	-		-
FLAT 93 FRONT DOOR FRAME SEALANT	-	MAS			-	SEALED	GC2271 / 1	NO ASBESTOS DETECTED	-	-		-
ITEMS SHOWN BELO	W HAVE	BEEN AS	SSESSE	D ON	I SITE B	Y THE ASBESTO	s surveyor	& ARE CONFIRME	ED NOT	то ве	ACM's.	
LOCATION DESCRIPTION	MATE	ERIAL	LO	CATI	ION DES	CRIPTION	MATERIAL	LOCATIO	N DESC	RIPTIC	ON	MATERIAL
GROUND FLOOR TILES	QUAI	RRYS	1≅ FL	OOR L	ANDING S BOXING	ERVICE DUCT	PLYWOOD					
GROUND FLOOR ELECTRIC CUPBOARD	PLYV	WOOD	2 ND FI	LOOR	LANDING S BOXING	SERVICE DUCT	PLYWOOD					
GROUND FLOOR ELECTRIC CUPBOARD – BACKBOARD		OARD & WOOD	Gi	ROUNI	D FLOOR F	FLAT ROOF	MINERAL FELT					
GROUND FLOOR UNDERSTAIR CUPBOARD TRANSOM	PLYV	WOOD	FLATS	S 91 &	95 FRONT SEALAN	DOOR FRAME T	NO VISIBLE SEALANT					
MAIN BUILDING FASCIA	UP	PVC										

IF IN DOUBT CONTACT THE BUILDING SURVEYING TEAM

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