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# **Fire Risk Assessment**

**Hazlewood Tower** 

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# **1** Executive Summary

Turner & Townsend Project Management have been commissioned by Royal Borough of Kensington & Chelsea to undertake a Fire Risk Assessment (FRA) at Hazlewood Tower. The assessment was completed on 06/11/2018.

The FRA has been carried out in line with the Regulatory Reform (Fire Safety) Order 2005. The aim of the FRA is to check that existing fire precautions are appropriate for the properties and the people who use them. This includes anyone who may use the building and includes residents, visitors, staff, contractors and the fire brigade amongst others. This section provides a summary of the findings of the FRA, with details included in the main report.

The FRA provides an overall risk rating, and a set of actions that, if carried out, will improve the rating. The overall risk rating for this property has been assessed as:



The following table sets out the main actions that have been identified that should be carried out and may improve the risk rating. These have also been identified as high, medium and low priority. The actions are:

| No. | Section   | High | Medium | Low | Priority                |
|-----|---|------|--------|-----|-------------------------|
| 7   | Electrical Sources of Ignition                                  |      |        | 3   | Low                     |
| 8   | Smoking   |      |        |     | No Issues<br>Identified |
| 9   | Arson   |      | 1      |     | Medium                  |
| 10  | Portable Heaters and Heating<br>Installations                   |      |        |     | No Issues<br>Identified |
| 11  | Cooking   |      |        |     | No Issues<br>Identified |
| 12  | Lightning   |      |        |     | No Issues<br>Identified |
| 13  | Housekeeping  | 1    |        |     | High                    |
| 14  | Hazards Introduced by Outside<br>Contractors and Building Works |      |        |     | No Issues<br>Identified |
| 15  | Dangerous Substances  |      |        |     | No Issues<br>Identified |
| 16  | Other Significant Fire Hazards with Warrant Consideration       |      |        |     | No Issues<br>Identified |
| 17  | Means of Escape from Fire                                       |      |        |     | No Issues<br>Identified |

| No. | Section   | High | Medium | Low | Priority                |
|-----|---|------|--------|-----|-------------------------|
| 18  | Measures to Limit Fire Spread<br>and Development      |      |        | 2   | Low                     |
| 19  | Emergency Escape Lighting                             |      |        |     | No Issues<br>Identified |
| 20  | Fire Safety Signs and Notices                         |      |        | 1   | Low                     |
| 21  | Means of Giving Warning in the case of Fire           |      |        |     | No Issues<br>Identified |
| 22  | Manual Fire Extinguishing<br>Appliances               |      |        |     | No Issues<br>Identified |
| 23  | Relevant Automatic Fire<br>Extinguishing Systems      |      |        |     | No Issues<br>Identified |
| 24  | Other Relevant Fixed Systems and Equipment            |      |        |     | No Issues<br>Identified |
| 25  | Fire Safety Management<br>Procedures and Arrangements | 1    | 2      | 1   | High                    |
| 26  | Training and Drills                                   |      |        | 2   | Low                     |
| 27  | Testing and Maintenance                               |      | 1      | 2   | Medium                  |
| 28  | Records   |      |        |     | No Issues<br>Identified |
| 29  | Flats / Bedrooms                                      | 1    | 1      | 2   | High                    |
| 30  | Common Areas and Doors                                | 1    | 1      | 2   | High                    |
| 31  | Ventilation   |      | 1      | 1   | Medium                  |
| 32  | Plant Rooms and Service Risers                        | 1    | 2      | 1   | High                    |
| 33  | Basements and Underground Car<br>Parks                |      |        |     | No Issues<br>Identified |
| 34  | Commercial Tenants                                    |      | 1      |     | Medium                  |
| 35  | External  | 1    | 1      |     | High                    |

# **2 Overall Property Fire Risk Evaluation**

The following simple fire risk level estimator is based on a commonly used health and safety risk level estimator.

| Likelihood of Fire | -              | Potential Consequences of Fir | e                |  |
|--------------------|----------------|-------------------------------|------------------|--|
|                    | 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 |  |

Taking in to 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 term 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.

Taking into account the nature of the premises and the 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

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

- SlightOutbreak of fire unlikely to result in serious injury or death of any occupantHarm(other than an occupant sleeping in a room in which a fire occurs).
- ModerateOutbreak of fire could foreseeably result in injury (including serious injury) ofHarmone or more occupants, but it is unlikely to involve multiple fatalities.

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

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 risk-based control plan (Action Plan) in Appendix A 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 be kept.   |   |  |  |  |
|---|---|--|--|--|
|   |   |  |  | Tolerable No major additional fire precautions required. However, there might be a net for reasonably practicable improvements that involve minor or limited cost. |
| Moderate It is essential that efforts are made to reduce the risk. Risk reduction mean which should take cost into account, should be implemented within a definitive period. Where moderate risk is associated with consequences that constitute extreme harm, further assessment might be required to establi more precisely the likelihood of harm as a basis for determining the prior 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 action plan in Appendix A. The fire risk assessment should be reviewed regularly.

It is considered that the recommendations in Appendix A should be implemented in order to reduce the risk to a TOLERABLE level.

# 3 Scope and Methodology

# 3.1 Scope

### 3.1.1 All Buildings

This building has been inspected to highlight to the Client, any non-compliant issues with regard to relevant aspects of UK fire safety legislation and common practice. In particular, the Fire Risk Assessment has considered the following publications:-

- Regulatory Reform (Fire Safety) Order 2005 (FSO)
- HM Government Fire Safety Risk Assessment Guides
- The Management of Health & Safety at Work Regulations 1999
- BSI PAS79 Fire Risk Assessment Guide and Recommended Methodology
- Specific British Standards, including BS9999 Fire safety in the design, management and use of buildings.

### 3.1.2 Residential and Specalised Housing

Where the fire risk assessment is for residential flats or specalised housing the following standards and publications are also considered:-

- Specific British Standards, including BS9991 Fire safety in the design, management and use of residential buildings.
- LACORS Guidance on Fire Safety Provisions for certain types of existing housing
- Local Government Fire Safety in Purpose-Built Blocks of Flats
- Fire Safety in Specalised Housing (NFCC 2017)

In terms of the "Local Government – Fire Safety in Purpose-Built Blocks of Flats" guidance, the scope of the Fire Risk Assessment will satisfy the criteria of either a "Type 1", "Type 2", "Type 3" or "Type 4" fire risk assessment. The scope of these fire risk assessments is explained below.

**Type 1** – Fire risk assessment is the basic fire risk assessment required for the purpose of satisfying the FSO. The inspection of the building is non-destructive. But, as well as considering the arrangements for means of escape and so forth, the fire risk assessment includes examination of at least a sample of flat entrance doors. It also considers, so far as reasonably practicable, the separating construction between the flats and the common parts without any opening up of construction. However, in this Type of fire risk assessment, entry to flats beyond the area of the flat entrance door, is not involved.

**Type 2** – The scope and objectives of a Type 2 fire risk assessment are generally similar to those of a Type 1 fire risk assessment, except that there is a degree of destructive inspection, carried out on a sampling basis. This will usually necessitate the presence of a contractor for the purpose of opening up construction and making good after the inspection. In order to check the integrity of separating construction, the areas in which destructive inspection is carried out might sometimes include a sample of flats. However, because of the nature of the work, this can often only be carried out in vacant flats.

**Type 3** - Fire risk assessment includes the work involved in a Type 1 fire risk assessment, but goes beyond the scope of the FSO (though not the scope of the Housing Act). This risk assessment considers the arrangements for means of escape and fire detection (ie smoke alarms) within at least a sample of the flats. Within the flats, the inspection is non-destructive, but the fire resistance of doors to rooms is considered. Measures to prevent fire are not considered unless (eg in the case of maintenance of the electrical and heating installations) the measures are within the control of, for example, the landlord.

**Type 4** - Fire risk assessment has the same scope of work as a Type 3 fire risk assessment, except that there is a degree of destructive inspection, in both the common parts and the flats, carried out on a sampling basis. This will usually necessitate the presence of a contractor for the purpose of opening up construction and making good after the inspection. However, the nature of the work is such that, often, destructive inspection within flats can only be carried out in those that are vacant. This is the most comprehensive fire risk assessment, but will only be appropriate in limited circumstances – such as when a new landlord takes over a block of flats in which the history of works carried out is unknown and there is reason to suspect serious risk to residents from both a fire in their own flats and a fire in neighbours' flats.

The type of fire risk assessment used to assess this building is specified in on the Front Cover and in Section 5 of this report.

# 3.1 Methodology

# 3.1.1 All Buildings

Turner & Townsend Fire Risk Assessments typically follow the following methodology:-

- identification of any readily combustible materials and highly flammable substances in the building;
- identification of any sources of ignition, which may cause a fire;

- identification of whether any residents or other persons are especially at risk and the potential consequences of a fire on those who could be affected (including neighbouring properties, council staff, visitors and fire brigade personnel);
- inspection of the building, including adequacy of escape routes & final fire exit routes, compartmentation and measures to limit fire spread and development;
- inspection of lift motor rooms, plant rooms, roof voids, risers and tank rooms;
- review of smoke ventilation mechanisms, such as mechanical and natural, e.g. cross flow and the fire spread properties of paint and other surface coverings;
- visual integrity of rubbish storage areas (including bin chutes where applicable) as well as issues relating to external cladding/glazing and location of hydrants, etc.;
- an assessment of the likelihood of a fire occurring and whether existing fire precautions are adequate or need improvement;
- consideration of the human reliability/behaviour in relation to fire safety, e.g. blocking fire escape routes;
- review of any existing documentation including, maintenance and test records and verification that remedial actions have been closed out where information is available;
- review of building maintenance regimes, e.g. electrical, gas, lightning conductors, etc.;
- an assessment as to whether the current fire safety arrangements are adequate or need improvement; and
- production of a site specific report which identifies the assessment, findings, and overall rating together with a prioritised remedial work action plan.

# 3.1.1 Residential Buildings and Specalised Housing

For these buildings the methodology may also include the following: -

 external inspection of all tenant doors to identify fire resistance issues such as door damage, door construction, vision panels, security gates, letter boxes, seals/gaps, frame condition and overhead door panels; This findings from the Fire Risk Assessment are categorised into High, Medium and Low risk ratings where action is recommended to maintain compliance. Other categories of Advice and Note are also defined. These ratings will enable the responsible person appointed under FSO to bring the premises up to an acceptable standard in a structured and prioritised manner so that any items needing immediate attention can be addressed first.access to a percentage of flats (or HMO bedrooms) to further inspect tenant front doors and closing mechanisms as well as the location of any fire detection, flat layouts, compartmentation and overall internal fire door and frame condition, particularly to high risk areas;

### 3.2 Action Plan

The findings from the Fire Risk Assessment are categorised into High, Medium and Low risk ratings where action is required to maintain compliance. Other categories of Advice and Note are also defined. These ratings will enable the responsible person appointed under FSO to bring the premises up to an acceptable standard in a structured and prioritised manner so that any items needing immediate attention can be addressed first. There is also a seperate "Recommended" section within Appendix A which identifies recomendations which should be considered in future works programmes.

The information collected through this process should assist the "Responsible Person" to develop an emergency plan; co-ordinate measures with other 'responsible persons' in the building; and to inform and train staff and inform other relevant persons.

# 3.1 Limitations

The responsible person should be aware of the following limitations in accordance with the scope of the work:

- This Fire Risk Assessment has been undertaken on behalf of the "Responsible Person". Turner & Townsend are not responsible for implementing any actions or recommendations.
- Turner & Townsend has no control over the ongoing management of the premises. The responsibility for the ongoing management of the premises and even, if necessary, the decision to allow the premises to be used for its present purpose, remains entirely with the "Responsible Person".
- The client, as the "Responsible Person", may have instructed Turner & Townsend to change the scope and methodology to suit their specific needs. This will be documented within the report as appropriate.

- The assessment did not include entering areas which would risk the safety of our operative or where access could not be gained (e.g. keys were not available);
- No access has been made to flues, lift shafts, or any similarly enclosed spaces where access required would cause damage and/or would require the use of specialist equipment or tools;
- Turner & Townsend does not undertake fire alarm audibility level tests or emergency lighting "lux" level tests;
- In the case of Type 1 and Type 3, the Fire Risk Assessment and its findings are based on visual observation only. No "specialist" surveys, such as an intrusive compartmentation surveys, have been carried out as part of this Fire Risk Assessment, however further surveys may have been recommended within the assessments findings.
- The assessment of flat entrance doors, the flats themselves and any secondary means of escape leading from individual flats was dependent on gaining access from the occupier.

The observations and recommendations are only pertinent to the conditions at the time of the Assessment. Regular inspections and review risk assessments are required to ensure standards are maintained.

In order to carry out this fire risk assessment the Assessors have used their professional expertise and judgement. It should be borne in mind however that an assessment is open to individual interpretation and as such a local fire authority may express a different view on certain aspects.

Changes generally introduced in the workplace may have an effect on potential fire risk and associated precautions e.g. changes to the premises layout, work processes, furniture, plant, machinery, or the number of people likely to be present in the workplace, including those persons with a temporary or permanent disability. Any of these could lead to a new hazard or increased risk and as such will require this assessment to also be reviewed and/or a new assessment to be undertaken.

# 3.1 Review period

This Fire Risk Assessment should be reviewed within a determined time period informed and established by the overall Risk Rating. This should be carried out by a competent person to ensure that it remains suitable and sufficient. This regular review period is introduced to ensure the Fire Risk Assessment remains valid and takes account of any accidental or unauthorised changes that have been introduced since the last review. The Fire Risk Assessment should also be reviewed when any of the following occur within the annual review period:

- Temporary maintenance, refurbishment, or construction works that could affect the fire risk profile in the area of the works or across the site in general. This may also be required where works in adjoining or neighbouring buildings affect the fire risk profile.
- Alterations are made to the building, including its access or internal layout
- There is an increase or change in the storage of hazardous substances that affect the fire risk profile in terms of fire loading, initiation, or spread.
- There are changes to work processes or the way that they are organised including the introduction of new equipment.
- There are significant increase in the number of or categorisation of people present or attending the site or part of it; including for people with some form of disability

It is imperative that any review of the Fire Risk Assessment is undertaken before the changes that affect the fire risk profile are made. This review is to ensure that the area and activity covered by the FRA are fully compliant prior to the changes being made and no person is put at undue risk.

# 3.7 Scope & Methodology Amendments

The client has instructed Turner & Townsend to make the following changes to the scope and methodology of the Fire Risk Assessment. If no changes were requested then this has been identified:-

No deviation from the standard scope and methodology requested.

# 4 **Property Overview**

| UPRN No   | S217008750001 |
|-----------|---------------|
| OF KIN NO | 521/000/50001 |

Property Address Hazlewood Tower, Golborne Gardens, W10 5DT

Client Royal Borough of Kensington & Chelsea

#### **Contact Name**

#### **Contact Number**

Primary Business Remit Residential Housing Management

Landlord Name Royal Borough of Kensington & Chelsea

**Building** 15 storey purpose built block of general needs flats The Grd floor has a lift lobby with 2 lifts. The lift lobby provides access to the CCTV/Ventilation control cupboard and plant rooms. The plant area consists of a corridor off which there is a cleaner's cupboard, pump room and Caretakers store (off which there is a store cupboard and riser). Accessed externally there is a sub-station, bin store and another unknown room. There is also a separate business/office unit (this unit has not been included within this FRA).

Floors 1 to 13 are accommodation floors. Each floor has a lift lobby with access to six flats and service risers containing telecoms and electrics. There are ducts on the ceilings of the lobbies providing electrical and gas services into the flats. The 14th floor is a plant area providing access to the roof, three water tank rooms, store cupboards and a communal ventilation (disconnected) room.

The are 2 lobbied stairways, one descends to the Grd floor lobby and exits through the main entrance the other exits directly to the outside. The stair case with the final exit directly to the outside is ventilated by Powered Opening Vents on the 12th & 13th floors with control equipment in the Grd floor CCTV Room and a manual key switch in the lift lobby. The stair descending to the lobby is ventilated by open louvered windows. Each lift lobby is ventilated by a Permanently Open Vent into Smoke Shaft. There is a Bin Chute in one stairway with the hoppers opening directly into the stair. The building is fitted with a Dry Riser with outlets on every second floor.

| Floors 15             | Staircases                         | 2                      | Final Exits 2             |
|-----------------------|------------------------------------|------------------------|---------------------------|
| Workplace<br>Location | None                               | Nature of<br>Occupancy | General Needs Residential |
| Access<br>Constraints | Roof top, Sub-Station, Flats other | than 76,58,45,         | 43,33,32,28,26,23         |

| Hazardous<br>Substances, Plant &<br>Processes | None identified.  |
|---|---|
| Fire Detection & Alarm<br>System              | L5 detection system in lift lobbies floors 1-13. L5 System in Boiler<br>Room & Pump Room. In the flat survey the detection at least Grade<br>D LD3. |
| Fire Containment                              | Notional 60 minutes fire resistance between floors and between flats and the common parts.  |
| Fire Suppression and<br>Smoke Control         | Powered Opening Vents on 12th and 13th floor of one stair, louvered windows to the other. POV to lobbies.   |
| Evacuation Strategy                           | Temporary Simultaneous Evacuation strategy.   |
| Means of Escape                               | Two lobbied stairways with exits via main entrance and side of building.  |
| Systems to Facilitate<br>Escape               | None observed.  |
| Evacuation Point                              | Pavement outside the block.   |
| Fire Fighting Facilities                      | Dry Riser and Fire Brigade Drop Switch  |
| Maintenance Duties                            | Fire alarm, emergency lighting, fixed electrical systems, portable appliances, gas & ventilation.   |
| Other Tenants & Remit                         | EFS - Fire Wardens. Office unit and store cupboard accessed externally houses "The Sustainable Spirit Company" and Trellick Design Studio           |

# 5 REGULATORY REFORM (FIRE SAFETY) ORDER 2005 FIRE RISK ASSESSMENT

Responsible person (e.g. employer) or person having control of the premises:

Royal Borough of Kensington & Chelsea

| Address of premises:           | Hazlewood Tower, Golborne Gardens, W10 5DT |   |  |  |
|--------------------------------|--|---|--|--|
| Fire Risk Assessor:            | Russell Peacey                             |   |  |  |
| FPA Fire Ri                    |  | be Diploma in Fire Prevention<br>sk Assessment and Fire Safety Management<br>ced Fire Risk Assessment in HMOs and Flats |  |  |
| Date of fire risk assess       | nent:                                      | 06 November 2018  |  |  |
| Fire Risk Assessment Type:     |  | Residential - Type 1  |  |  |
| Date of previous assessment:   |  | 01/10/2016  |  |  |
| Suggested date for review: (1) |  | 06/05/2019  |  |  |

The purpose of this report is to provide an assessment of the risk to life from fire in these premises, and, where appropriate, to make recommendations to ensure compliance with fire safety legislation. The report does not address the risk to property or business continuity from fire.

#### Report Footnotes:

1) This fire risk assessment should be reviewed by a competent person by the date indicated above or at such earlier time as there is reason to suspect that it is no longer valid, or if there has been a significant change in the matters to which it relates, or if a fire occurs.

2) Reasonable only in the context of this fire risk assessment. If specific advice on security (including security against arson) is required, the advice of a security specialist should be obtained.

*3)* Based on visual inspection of readily accessible areas, with a degree of sampling where appropriate.

4) A full investigation of the design of HVAC systems is outside the scope of this fire risk assessment.

5) Based on visual inspection, but no test of illuminance levels or verification of full compliance with relevant British Standards carried out.

6) Based on visual inspection, but no audibility tests or verification of full compliance with relevant British Standard carried out.

7) This is not intended to represent a legal interpretation of responsibility, but merely reflects the managerial arrangement in place at the time of this risk assessment.

# **GENERAL INFORMATION**

# **1. THE PREMISES**

- 1.1 Number of floors:
- 1.2 Approximate floor areas:

| : | 15         |   |
|---|------------|---|
|   | Not Known. | m2 per floor  |
|   | Not Known. | m2 gross  |
|   | Not Known. | m2 on ground floor<br>[enter units as<br>appropriate] |

### 1.3 Brief details of construction

The building has a concrete frame, floors and stairways. Externally assumed to be concrete but this has been over-clad with a rendered insulation material. Infill panels below staircase windows.

### 1.4 Use of premises

General Needs Residential.

# **2. THE OCCUPANTS**

| 2.1 | Approximate maximum number:          | 195                    |                |
|-----|--------------------------------------|------------------------|----------------|
| 2.2 | Approximate number of employees      | at any one time:       | 6              |
| 2.3 | Maximum number of members of p       | ublic at any one time: | 78             |
| 2.4 | Associated times/hours of occupation | on: 24 hours / 7       | days per week. |

#### **3. OCCUPANTS ESPECIALLY AT RISK FROM FIRE**

| 3.1 | Sleeping occupants: |       | 195                 |               |
|-----|---------------------|-------|---------------------|---------------|
| 3.2 | Disabled occupants: |       | N/A - General Need  | ls Occupants. |
| 3.3 | Occupants in remote | areas | s and lone workers: | None.         |
| 3.4 | Young persons:      |       | General Needs Occ   | upants.       |

#### 3.5 Comments/Other Occupants:

Following a fire at Adair Tower in 2015, It is understood that at the request of London Fire Brigade the former cross flow ventilation system of the lobbies on floors 1-13 was modified by sealing the original open vents between the lift lobbies and stairway that descends to the ground floor lobby.

Reference is made to the NFCC document, "Guidance to support a temporary change to a simultaneous evacuation strategy in purpose-built block of flats".

# **4. FIRE LOSS EXPERIENCE**

Unknown

# **5. OTHER RELEVANT INFORMATION**

Following the previous FRA dated 07/02/2018, an initial Façade investigation was completed and the subsequent report (dated 06/07/2018 was submitted to RBKC. The report identified potential concerns with the cladding system (a rendered "ETICS" type system. RBKC then consulted with LFB who have mandated the change from a Stay Put strategy to a temporary Simultaneous Evacuation strategy which is to remain in place until the potential issues with the cladding have been resolved.

A "Waking Watch" was on site (to fire watch and facilitate the Simultaneous Evacuation strategy) consisting of a total of 8 Fire Wardens (shared with the neighbouring Tower). Understood that 4 Fire Wardens are on patrol in the two buildings building 24/7 with additional 4 Fire Wardens located in flats 45 of Adair Tower and 23 of Hazlewood Tower.

A temporary radio-linked communal fire alarm system had been installed consisting of smoke alarm in the lift lobbies linked to monitoring equipment in the Fire Wardens Flat.

Works to remove the cladding commenced in November 2018.

This fire risk assessment considers the presence of the "Waking Watch" as a risk mitigation.

### 6. RELEVANT FIRE SAFETY LEGISLATION

#### Regulatory Reform (Fire Safety) Order 2005 (the 'Fire Safety Order')

This fire risk assessment has been carried out on your behalf, being the Responsible Person, as defined in Article 3 of the Regulatory Reform (Fire Safety) Order 2005 (e.g. as an employer), and/or being the person having control, to any extent, of the premises (as occupier or otherwise). It is intended to assist you in compliance with Article 9 of the Fire Safety Order, which requires that a risk assessment be carried out.

It is important that you study this fire risk assessment and understand its contents.

The fire risk assessment includes an Action Plan, which sets out the measures it is considered necessary for you to take to satisfy the requirements of the Fire Safety Order and to protect relevant persons (as defined in the Order) from fire. Relevant persons are primarily everyone who is, or may be, lawfully in the building, but include certain persons in the vicinity of the building. It is particularly important that you study the Action Plan. If any recommendation in the Action Plan is unclear you should request further advice.

The Fire Safety Order requires that you give effect to arrangements for the effective planning, organization, control, monitoring and review of the preventive and protective measures. These are the measures that have been identified in consequence of a risk assessment as the general fire precautions you need to take to comply with the Fire Safety Order.

You must record the above arrangements if:

- (a) You employ five or more employees in your undertaking (regardless of where they are employed);
- (b) A licence or registration under other legislation is in force; or
- (c) An alterations notice is in force requiring a record to be kept.

This fire risk assessment is not the record of the fire safety arrangements to which the Fire Safety Order refers, although much of the information contained in this fire risk assessment will coincide with the information in that record. You should, however, ensure that there is a record of the fire safety arrangements; adequate to comply with Article 11(2) of the Fire Safety Order, and that it is kept up to date. Consideration will have been given, in carrying out this fire risk assessment, to the records that exist in this respect.

The Fire Safety Order also requires that you appoint one or more competent persons to assist you in undertaking the general fire precautions described above. Where there is a competent person in your employment, you must, under Article 18(8) of the Fire Safety Order, appoint that person in preference to a competent person not in your employment.

This fire risk assessment has considered dangerous substances that are used or stored in your premises, only to the extent necessary to determine the adequacy of the general fire precautions (as defined in Article 4 of the Fire Safety Order) and to advise you accordingly. If dangerous substances are used or stored in your premises, you should ensure that a risk assessment of the relevant work activities has been carried out to enable you to comply with the Dangerous Substances and Explosive Atmospheres Regulations 2002. This fire risk assessment does not consider special, technical or organizational measures that are required to be taken or observed in connection with the use or storage of any dangerous substance.

More generally, this fire risk assessment forms only a foundation for management of fire safety in your premises and compliance with the Fire Safety Order. It is strongly recommended that you obtain a copy of the Fire Safety Order if you do not already have ready access to a copy. It may be obtained from the Stationery Office, but can be freely downloaded from the Internet at:www.opsi.gov.uk/si/si2005/20051541.htm

# FIRE HAZARDS AND THEIR ELIMINATION OR CONTROL

| 7    | Electrical Sources of Ignition  | Yes        | No         | N/A        | Comments   | Priority |
|------|---|------------|------------|------------|--|----------|
| 7.1  | Reasonable measures taken to prevent fires of electrical origin?              | Yes        |            |            | There were no obvious<br>electrical safety issues<br>identified in the common<br>parts on the day of the visit.  |          |
| 7.2a | Fixed installation<br>periodically inspected<br>and tested?                   | NOT<br>KWN | NOT<br>KWN | NOT<br>KWN | Label on electrical boards<br>indicated that the fixed<br>electrical inspection had<br>been tested in the last five<br>years but no certificate was<br>available and no information<br>was available on the status<br>of any remedial actions. | LOW      |
| 7.2b | Portable appliance<br>testing (where<br>appropriate) carried<br>out?          | NOT<br>KWN | NOT<br>KWN | NOT<br>KWN | Unable to verify if all<br>appliances in the Waking<br>Watch flat had up to date<br>PAT tests.   | LOW      |
| 7.2c | Suitable policy<br>regarding the use of<br>personal electrical<br>appliances? |            | No         |            | The RBKC Policy, which<br>defines the rules on the use<br>of personal portable<br>appliances at work, has not<br>been provided.  | LOW      |
| 7.2d | Suitable limitation of trailing leads and adapters?                           | Yes        |            |            | Any leads and adapters<br>observed on the day of the<br>visit appeared to be suitably<br>managed.  |          |

| 8    | Smoking  | Yes | No | N/A | Comments   | Priority |
|------|--|-----|----|-----|--|----------|
| 8.1  | Reasonable measures taken to prevent fires as a result of smoking? | Yes |    |     | "No Smoking" sign(s)<br>displayed in the common<br>areas.  |          |
| 8.2a | Smoking prohibited on the premises?                                | Yes |    |     | It is understood that<br>Smoking is prohibited in<br>common areas and that<br>Smoking is only permitted in<br>the residential flats. |          |
| 8.2b | Smoking prohibited in appropriate areas?                           | Yes |    |     | See 8.2a above.  |          |
| 8.2c | Suitable arrangements for those who wish to smoke?                 | Yes |    |     | Smoking is only permitted in the residential flats.  |          |
| 8.2d | This policy appeared to be observed at time of inspection?         | Yes |    |     | No evidence of smoking<br>activity in the common areas<br>on the day of the visit.   |          |

| 9   | Arson   | Yes | No | N/A | Comments  | Priority |
|-----|---|-----|----|-----|---|----------|
| 9.1 | Does basic security<br>against arson by<br>outsiders appear<br>reasonable (Please see<br>Note 2 on Page 15)?                        |     | No |     | The entrance to the building<br>was secure with no specific<br>issues identified on the day<br>of the visit. Main entrance<br>has a mag-lock with<br>intercom system and Drop<br>Key override. However, the<br>externally accessed bin store<br>was unlocked. | MEDIUM   |
| 9.2 | Is there an absence of<br>unnecessary fire load in<br>close proximity to the<br>premises or available<br>for ignition by outsiders? | Yes |    |     | No significant external fire load observed.   |          |

| 10    | Portable Heaters and<br>Heating Installations  | Yes | No | N/A | Comments   | Priority |
|-------|--|-----|----|-----|--|----------|
| 10.1  | Is the use of portable<br>heaters avoided as far<br>as practicable?  | Yes |    |     | No portable heaters were identified on the day of the visit. |          |
| 10.2a | If portable heaters are<br>used, is the use of the<br>more hazardous type<br>(e.g. radiant bar fires or<br>LPG appliances)<br>avoided? |     |    | N/A | See 10.1   |          |
| 10.2b | If portable heaters are<br>used, are suitable<br>measures taken to<br>minimize the hazard of<br>ignition of combustible<br>materials?  |     |    | N/A | See 10.1   |          |

| 11    | Cooking   | Yes | No | N/A | Comments   | Priority |
|-------|---|-----|----|-----|--|----------|
| 11.1  | Are reasonable<br>measures taken to<br>prevent fires as a result<br>of cooking? | Yes |    |     | Cooking facilities provided in<br>Waking Watch Flat. No<br>obvious unsafe practices<br>observed. |          |
| 11.2a | More specifically, are<br>filters changed and<br>ductwork cleaned<br>regularly? |     |    | N/A | No industrial type kitchen<br>extract  |          |
| 11.2b | More specifically, are<br>suitable extinguishing<br>appliances available?       | Yes |    |     | Suitable fire extinguishers<br>were available in the Waking<br>Watch flat.                       |          |

| 12   | Lightning   | Yes | No | N/A | Comments                                  | Priority |
|------|---|-----|----|-----|---|----------|
| 12.1 | Do the premises have a<br>lightning protection<br>system? | Yes |    |     | Lightning Protection System<br>Installed. |          |

| 13    | Housekeeping   | Yes | No | N/A | Comments   | Priority |
|-------|--|-----|----|-----|--|----------|
| 13.1  | Is the standard of housekeeping adequate?  | Yes |    |     | The standard of<br>housekeeping in the common<br>areas was considered<br>adequate on the day of the<br>visit.  |          |
|       |  |     |    |     | It is understood that the<br>Waking Watch are<br>responsible for monitoring<br>housekeeping in the<br>communal areas.  |          |
| 13.2a | More specifically,<br>combustible materials<br>appear to be separated<br>from ignition sources?            | Yes |    |     | Combustible materials<br>appeared to be separated<br>from ignition sources on the<br>day of the visit.   |          |
| 13.2b | More specifically,<br>avoidance of<br>unnecessary<br>accumulation of<br>combustible materials<br>or waste? |     | No |     | There was a build up of<br>waste materials in the<br>Caretakers Store on the<br>ground floor. White goods,<br>trolleys, mattresses etc.<br>presented an unnecessary<br>fire loading. | HIGH     |
| 13.2c | More specifically,<br>appropriate storage of<br>hazardous materials?                                       |     |    | N/A | No hazardous materials observed on the day of the visit.   |          |
| 13.2d | More specifically,<br>avoidance of<br>inappropriate storage of<br>combustible materials?                   | Yes |    |     | No significant storage of combustible materials in the common areas on the day of the visit.   |          |

| 14   | Hazards Introduced by<br>Outside Contractors<br>and Building Works   | Yes | No | N/A | Comments  | Priority |
|------|--|-----|----|-----|---|----------|
| 14.1 | Are fire safety conditions imposed on outside contractors?   | Yes |    |     | It is understood that the<br>RBKC Fire Safety Strategy<br>imposes fire safety<br>conditions on all contractors. |          |
| 14.2 | Is there satisfactory<br>control over works<br>carried out on the<br>premises by outside<br>contractors (including<br>"hot work" permits)?         |     |    | N/A | See 14.1 above.   |          |
| 14.3 | If there are in-house<br>maintenance personnel,<br>are suitable precautions<br>taken during "hot<br>work", including use of<br>"hot work" permits? | Yes |    |     | RBKC have provided a Hot<br>Works procedure from their<br>general maintenance<br>contractor (Repairs Direct).   |          |

| 15   | Dangerous Substances   | Yes | No | N/A | Comments  | Priority |
|------|--|-----|----|-----|---|----------|
| 15.1 | Are the general fire<br>precautions adequate to<br>address the hazards<br>associated with<br>dangerous substances<br>used or stored within<br>the premises?                | Yes |    |     | No dangerous substances identified as being used or stored within the premises on the day of the visit. |          |
| 15.2 | If 15.1 applies, has a<br>specific risk assessment<br>been carried out, as<br>required by the<br>Dangerous Substances<br>and Explosive<br>Atmospheres<br>Regulations 2002? |     |    | N/A | See 15.1 above.   |          |

| 16   | Other Significant Fire<br>Hazards with Warrant<br>Consideration  | Yes | No | N/A | Comments                                 | Priority |
|------|--|-----|----|-----|--|----------|
| 16.1 | Other significant fire<br>hazards that warrant<br>consideration? |     |    | N/A | None identified on the day of the visit. |          |

# FIRE PROTECTION MEASURES

| 17            | Means of Escape from<br>Fire  | Yes | No | N/A | Comments  | Priority |
|---------------|---|-----|----|-----|---|----------|
| 17.1a         | It is considered that the premises are provided with reasonable means of escape in case of fire.                        | Yes |    |     | Two escape staircases used for means of escape with two final exits.  |          |
| 17.2b         | More specifically, is<br>there an adequate<br>design of escape routes?  | Yes |    |     | It is considered that the<br>design of the escape routes<br>is adequate. The ventilation<br>of the lobbies has been<br>modified from the original<br>arrangement - see 31.2 |          |
| 17.2c         | More specifically, is there an adequate provision of exits?   | Yes |    |     | The two fire exits are<br>considered to meet the<br>relevant standards at the<br>time of build.   |          |
| 17.2d         | More specifically, are<br>exits easily and<br>immediately openable<br>where necessary?                                  | Yes |    |     | Final exits have suitable<br>mechanisms so they can be<br>easily opened in the event of<br>an emergency. Site exit has<br>push bars.  |          |
| 17.2e         | More specifically, do fire<br>exits open in direction<br>of escape where<br>necessary?                                  | Yes |    |     | The side fire exit doors open<br>in the direction of travel. Not<br>considered necessary for the<br>main exit to open outwards.   |          |
| 17.2f         | More specifically,<br>avoidance of sliding or<br>revolving doors as fire<br>exits where necessary?                      | Yes |    |     | No sliding or revolving doors were observed.  |          |
| 17.2g         | More specifically, is<br>there a satisfactory<br>means for securing<br>exits?   | Yes |    |     | The exits were suitably secured. Drop Key access to main entrance.  |          |
| 17.2h<br>(i)  | More specifically, are<br>there reasonable<br>distances of travel<br>where there is a single<br>direction of travel?    | Yes |    |     | Travel distance from the flats<br>was within 4.5m. Travel<br>distance from plant areas is<br>within 18m.  |          |
| 17.2h<br>(ii) | More specifically, are<br>there reasonable<br>distances of travel<br>where there are<br>alternative means of<br>escape? | Yes |    |     | See 17.2h (i)   |          |

| 17.2i | More specifically, is<br>there suitable<br>protection of escape<br>routes?   | Yes |     | It is considered that the<br>protection of escape routes<br>comply with the relevant<br>standards at time of<br>construction. However, as<br>the building is above 18m,<br>current building regulations<br>would require one stair to be<br>a "Fire Fighting Shaft" with<br>120 minute fire resisting<br>compartmentation and a<br>FD60S fire door. | Recomme<br>ndation |
|-------|--|-----|-----|---|--------------------|
| 17.2j | More specifically, is<br>there suitable fire<br>precautions for all inner<br>rooms?  |     | N/A | No inner rooms observed in the common parts.  |                    |
| 17.2k | More specifically, are the escape routes unobstructed?   | Yes |     | The escape routes were unobstructed on the day of the visit.  |                    |
| 17.3  | It is considered that the<br>premises are provided<br>with reasonable<br>arrangements for<br>means of escape for<br>disabled people. | Yes |     | The means of escape are<br>suitable for a general needs<br>building. However, as the<br>evacuation strategy has been<br>changed to Simultaneous<br>Evacuation, persons who are<br>unable to self-evacuate or<br>respond appropriately to<br>evacuation signals may be at<br>additional risk. See – 25.4a,<br>25.4c, 25.4d, 25.4f, 26.4              |                    |

| 18    | Measures to Limit Fire<br>Spread and<br>Development  | Yes | No | N/A | Comments  | Priority |
|-------|--|-----|----|-----|---|----------|
| 18.1a | It is considered that<br>there is<br>compartmentation of a<br>reasonable standard<br>(Please see Note 3 on<br>Page 15)?  |     | No |     | In general compartmentation<br>in the communal areas<br>appeared to comply with<br>relevant standards at time of<br>construction. It was noted<br>that within the caretaker<br>store area, a fire door and<br>fire resistant glazing<br>between the store area and<br>corridor leading back to the<br>communal lobby were<br>missing.         | LOW      |
| 18.1b | It is considered that<br>there is reasonable<br>limitation of linings that<br>might promote fire<br>spread (Please see<br>Notes 3 & 4 on Page<br>15)?  |     | No |     | The majority of linings<br>appeared to be a notional<br>"Class 0" for the surface<br>spread of flame. Some<br>delaminated paint at head of<br>stairs on floor 14 (plant<br>area) was not considered a<br>significant risk but<br>delaminated paint in the 5th<br>floor lobby and ground floor<br>CCTV room should be<br>removed and replaced. | LOW      |
| 18.2  | As far as can<br>reasonably be<br>ascertained, fire<br>dampers are provided<br>as necessary to protect<br>critical means of escape<br>against passage of fire,<br>smoke and combustion<br>products in the early<br>stages of a fire? |     |    | N/A | The Bin Chute is fitted with a<br>manual shutter only.<br>Although the bin chute<br>hoppers open into a<br>stairway, there is an<br>alternative stairway so this is<br>not considered a significant<br>risk. However the bin room<br>should be kept locked as per<br>9.1  |          |

| 19   | Emergency Escape<br>Lighting   | Yes | No | N/A | Comments  | Priority |
|------|--|-----|----|-----|---|----------|
| 19.1 | Reasonable standard of<br>emergency escape<br>lighting system<br>provided (Please see<br>Note 5 on Page 15)? | Yes |    |     | There appeared to be a reasonable distribution of emergency escape lighting in the common parts. LEDS indicated that lighting units were working, however see 27.3 regarding maintenance. |          |

| 20   | Fire Safety Signs and<br>Notices                            | Yes | No | N/A | Comments   | Priority |
|------|---|-----|----|-----|--|----------|
| 20.1 | Reasonable standard of<br>fire safety signs and<br>notices? |     | No |     | In general, the type and<br>location of the fire safety<br>signage appeared to be<br>appropriate. It was noted<br>that there were no "Not a<br>Firefighting Lift" signs above<br>the doors to the lifts at<br>ground floor levels. The lifts<br>appear to be "Fire Lifts"<br>rather than "Fire Fighting<br>Lifts" as defined by the<br>Building Regulations. | LOW      |

| 21   | Means of Giving<br>Warning in the case of<br>Fire  | Yes | No | N/A | Comments   | Priority           |
|------|--|-----|----|-----|--|--------------------|
| 21.1 | Reasonable manually<br>operated electrical fire<br>alarm system provided<br>(Please see Note 6 on<br>Page 15)? | Yes |    |     | Temporary L5 system in<br>communal areas has a<br>Manual Call Point in the<br>Waking Watch office only.  |                    |
|      |  |     |    |     | Considered satisfactory.   |                    |
| 21.2 | Automatic fire detection<br>provided and to what<br>extent?  | Yes |    |     | In order to facilitate the<br>temporary change to a<br>simultaneous evacuation<br>strategy a radio-linked fire<br>alarm system had been<br>installed in the communal<br>areas. The system has<br>smoke detection/alarms in<br>the lift lobby of each<br>accommodation floor (floors<br>1-13), radio linked to a panel<br>in the Waking Watch Office.<br>The Emergency Plan requires<br>that Waking Watch will<br>supplement the alarm by<br>knocking on flat doors and<br>operating air horns on all<br>landings   |                    |
| 21.3 | Extent of automatic fire<br>detection generally<br>appropriate for the<br>occupancy and fire risk?             | Yes |    |     | In accordance with NFCC<br>guidance, the temporary fire<br>strategy relies on the Waking<br>Watch to detect the presence<br>of a fire by hearing an alarm<br>sounding within a flat, and<br>manually activating the<br>communal fire alarm<br>sounders that would alert all<br>residents of the need to<br>evacuate (or via automatic<br>activation of the system if<br>smoke is detected by one of<br>the smoke detectors in the<br>lobbies). It is understood<br>that RBKC plan to remove<br>the cladding by the end of<br>2018 and this strategy is<br>considered satisfactory<br>providing that this plan is<br>met. | Recomme<br>ndation |
| 21.4 | Remote transmission of alarm signals?  |     |    | N/A | External monitoring of the temporary communal fire alarm system is not a requirement as the alarm is monitored 24/7 via the Waking Watch who would then call 999.  |                    |

Hazlewood Tower Fire Risk Assessment
| 22   | Manual Fire<br>Extinguishing<br>Appliances                 | Yes | No | N/A | Comments   | Priority |
|------|--|-----|----|-----|--|----------|
| 22.1 | Reasonable provision of<br>portable fire<br>extinguishers? | Yes |    |     | Fire extinguishers located in the Waking Watch flat were deemed suitable.                      |          |
| 22.2 | Hose reels provided?                                       |     |    | N/A | No hose reels observed.<br>These are not considered<br>necessary for this type of<br>building. |          |
| 22.3 | Are all fire extinguishing appliances readily accessible?  | Yes |    |     | Fire extinguishers were readily accessible.  |          |

| 23   | Relevant Automatic Fire<br>Extinguishing Systems                                 | Yes | No | N/A | Comments   | Priority |
|------|--|-----|----|-----|--|----------|
| 23.1 | Type of relevant<br>automatic fire<br>extinguishing systems<br>and their extent? |     |    | N/A | No automatic fire<br>extinguishing system<br>observed. |          |

| 24   | Other Relevant Fixed<br>Systems and Equipment   | Yes | No | N/A | Comments  | Priority |
|------|---|-----|----|-----|---|----------|
| 24.1 | Type of other relevant<br>fixed systems and<br>equipment and their<br>extent?                         |     |    | N/A | No other types of systems and equipment observed. |          |
| 24.2 | Suitable provision of<br>fire-fighters switch(es)<br>for high voltage<br>luminous tube signs,<br>etc. |     |    | N/A | No high voltage luminous tube signs observed.     |          |

## MANAGEMENT OF FIRE SAFETY

| 25    | Fire Safety<br>Management<br>Procedures and   | Yes | No | N/A | Comments  | Priority |
|-------|---|-----|----|-----|---|----------|
| 25.1  | Fire safety is managed<br>by at defined person or<br>organisation (Please see<br>Note 7 on Page 15)?  | Yes |    |     | RBKC are responsible for fire safety in the common areas.   |          |
| 25.2  | Competent person(s)<br>appointed to assist in<br>undertaking the<br>preventive and<br>protective measures<br>(i.e. relevant general<br>fire precautions)? | Yes |    |     | The RBKC Fire Safety<br>Strategy requires the<br>appointment of competent<br>contractors.   |          |
| 25.3  | Is there a suitable record of the fire safety arrangements?   | Yes |    |     | The RBKC Fire Safety<br>Strategy provides fire safety<br>arrangements for the<br>management of RBKC<br>premises.  |          |
| 25.4  | Appropriate fire<br>procedures in place?  | Yes |    |     | Due to the potential<br>concerns with the external<br>cladding, LFB have<br>mandated a temporary<br>Simultaneous Evacuation<br>strategy which is to remain<br>in place until the potential<br>issues with the cladding have<br>been resolved. It is<br>understood that residents<br>have been informed of the<br>change in evacuation<br>strategy via letters and a<br>tenants meeting. Fire Action<br>Notices describing the<br>Simultaneous Evacuation<br>procedure were in place.<br>However, the Fire Action<br>Notices did not identify the<br>assembly point. | MEDIUM   |
| 25.4a | More specifically, are<br>procedures in the event<br>of fire appropriate and<br>properly documented?  | Yes |    |     | A written Emergency Plan to<br>describe the temporary fire<br>evacuation arrangements<br>had been completed and was<br>available in the Waking<br>Watch flat. The Emergency<br>Plan describes the<br>Simultaneous Evacuation<br>strategy and the role of the<br>Waking Watch.   |          |

| 25.4b | More specifically, are<br>there suitable<br>arrangements for<br>summoning the fire and<br>rescue service?  | Yes |    | The Emergency Plan requires<br>the Waking Watch Manager /<br>Assistant Manager to call the<br>London Fire Brigade  |        |
|-------|--|-----|----|--|--------|
| 25.4c | More specifically, are<br>there suitable<br>arrangements to meet<br>the fire and rescue<br>service on arrival and<br>provide relevant<br>information, including<br>that relating to hazards<br>to fire-fighters? |     | No | The Emergency Plan requires<br>the Waking Watch Manager /<br>Assistant Manager to meet<br>the LFB and provide them<br>with relevant information as<br>described in the Emergency<br>Plan.<br>Although information such as<br>floor plans and a<br>Vulnerability List was<br>provided in the Waking<br>Watch flat, the Premises<br>Information Box which had<br>been installed near the<br>building entrance was empty. | MEDIUM |
| 25.4d | More specifically, are<br>there suitable<br>arrangements for<br>ensuring that the<br>premises have been<br>evacuated?  | Yes |    | The Emergency Plan requires<br>the Waking Watch Manager /<br>Assistant Manager to inform<br>the LFB of any persons /<br>Flats that to the best of their<br>knowledge are not accounted<br>for.   |        |
| 25.4e | More specifically, is there a suitable fire assembly point(s)?   | Yes |    | The Emergency Plan states<br>that the assembly point is<br>located on the pavement<br>outside the block.   |        |

| 25.4f | More specifically, are<br>there adequate<br>procedures for<br>evacuation of any<br>disabled people who are<br>likely to be present? | NOT<br>KWN | NOT<br>KWN | NOT<br>KWN | As the evacuation strategy<br>has been changed to<br>Simultaneous Evacuation,<br>persons who are unable to<br>self-evacuate or respond<br>appropriately to evacuation<br>signals may be at additional<br>risk and may require a<br>Personal Emergency<br>Evacuation Plan (PEEP).   | HIGH |
|-------|---|------------|------------|------------|--|------|
|       |   |            |            |            | In each case where a<br>resident is identified as being<br>unable to respond to the<br>evacuation signal and/or<br>unable to self-evacuate,<br>RBKC should, subject to the<br>co-operation of the<br>residents, seek to agree a<br>Personal Emergency<br>Evacuation Plan (PEEP) with<br>each of<br>these residents. Vulnerable<br>residents who cannot be<br>assisted to safety may need<br>to be relocated while this<br>simultaneous evacuation<br>strategy is in place.<br>However, this would require<br>the co-operation of the<br>residents in question. |      |
|       |   |            |            |            | The Emergency Plan states<br>that, "All residents have<br>received a letter requesting<br>that if they would experience<br>any difficulty evacuating<br>their flat in the event of a<br>fire or emergency they<br>should complete and return a<br>proforma.  |      |
|       |   |            |            |            | Although a Vulnerability List<br>(rather than individual<br>PEEPS) was demonstrated<br>(based on information<br>provided by residents) the<br>"assistance to be provided<br>section" for some residents<br>simply described a health<br>condition rather than any<br>actions required by the<br>Waking Watch (and<br>potentially by LFB).  |      |

| 25.5 | Persons nominated and<br>trained to use fire<br>extinguishing<br>appliances?   | Yes        |            |            | Residents and visitors are<br>not expected to use<br>extinguishers, and none are<br>present to common escape<br>areas. The fire extinguishers<br>present are not expected to<br>be used by RBKC staff and<br>are in place for external<br>maintenance contractors and<br>the Waking Watch who<br>should have received the<br>necessary training. |     |
|------|--|------------|------------|------------|--|-----|
| 25.6 | Persons nominated and<br>trained to assist with<br>evacuation, including<br>evacuation of disabled<br>people?                                | NOT<br>KWN | NOT<br>KWN | NOT<br>KWN | As per 25.4f - the<br>Emergency Plan requires the<br>Waking Watch to assist<br>vulnerable persons where<br>necessary.<br>See action under 25.4f  |     |
| 25.7 | Appropriate liaison with<br>fire and rescue service<br>(e.g. by fire and rescue<br>service crews visiting<br>for familiarisation<br>visits)? | Yes        |            |            | Understood that RBKC have<br>liaised with London Fire<br>Brigade regarding the risks<br>and fire safety requirements<br>relating to this building.   |     |
| 25.8 | Routine in-house<br>inspections of fire<br>precautions (e.g. in the<br>course of health and<br>safety inspections)?                          |            |            | N/A        | The RBKC Fire Safety<br>Strategy states that a<br>programme of regular estate<br>inspection, risk assessments<br>and monitoring by Estate<br>and Neighbourhood Staff<br>and Health & Safety staff will<br>be conducted. Understood<br>that daily inspections are<br>conducted by the Waking<br>Watch. No inspection records<br>were provided.    | LOW |

| 26   | Training and Drills   | Yes        | No         | N/A        | Comments   | Priority |
|------|---|------------|------------|------------|--|----------|
| 26.1 | Are all staff given<br>adequate fire safety<br>instruction and training<br>on induction?  | NOT<br>KWN | NOT<br>KWN | NOT<br>KWN | The RBKC Fire Safety<br>Strategy states that requires<br>all staff to complete a<br>comprehensive on-line fire<br>safety training course.<br>Additionally, practical<br>training sessions on the use<br>of fire extinguishers are run<br>annually for fire marshals,<br>estate staff, sheltered<br>housing officers and other<br>relevant staff. Further, staff<br>who are required to<br>undertake regular communal<br>inspections are also given<br>additional more specialised<br>training.<br>No records of specific<br>training delivery have been<br>provided. | LOW      |
| 26.2 | Are all staff given<br>adequate periodic<br>"refresher training" at<br>suitable intervals?                                      | Yes        |            |            | The RBKC Fire Safety<br>Strategy requires training to<br>be provided annually – with<br>ongoing refresher training at<br>team meetings and on-site<br>briefings.   |          |
| 26.3 | Does all staff training<br>provide information,<br>instruction or training<br>on fire risks and<br>controls in the<br>premises? |            |            | N/A        | RBKC have provided details<br>of training presentations that<br>provide training on fire risks<br>and controls in the premises.  |          |
| 26.4 | Are staff with special<br>responsibilities (e.g. fire<br>wardens) given<br>additional training?                                 | Yes        |            |            | Sub-contract Fire Wardens<br>on site 24/7 at the time of<br>the assessment. Understood<br>that they have been briefed<br>by RBKC on their required<br>role. Specific fire safety<br>training requirements are the<br>responsibility of the Fire<br>Wardens employer. A sample<br>training records were<br>demonstrated.  |          |
| 26.5 | Are fire drills carried out at appropriate intervals?   |            | No         |            | The Emergency Plan requires<br>evacuation drills to be<br>completed twice per year. It<br>was confirmed that as of<br>12/11/18 no drill had been<br>completed.   | LOW      |

| 26.6a | When the employees of<br>another employer work<br>in the premises, is their<br>employer given<br>appropriate information<br>(e.g. on fire risks and<br>general fire<br>precautions)? | Yes |     | See 26.4         |
|-------|--|-----|-----|------------------|
| 26.6b | When the employees of<br>another employer work<br>in the premises, is it<br>ensured that the<br>employees are provided<br>with<br>adequate instructions<br>and information?          |     | N/A | See 26.6a above. |

| 27   | Testing and<br>Maintenance  | Yes | No | N/A | Comments   | Priority           |
|------|---|-----|----|-----|--|--------------------|
| 27.1 | Adequate maintenance of premises?   | Yes |    |     | RBKC have provided<br>statutory inspection records<br>for the premises. Any<br>shortcomings are described<br>elsewhere in this report.   |                    |
| 27.2 | Weekly testing and<br>periodic servicing of fire<br>detection and alarm<br>system in place and<br>appropriately recorded? | Yes |    |     | Understood that the<br>temporary fire alarm system<br>is tested weekly by the<br>Waking Watch. Weekly test<br>and periodic maintenance<br>records were retained in the<br>Waking Watch fire safety<br>folder.  |                    |
| 27.3 | Monthly and annual<br>testing routines for<br>emergency escape<br>lighting in place and<br>appropriately recorded?        |     | No |     | Logbook in CCTV/Ventilation<br>room indicated the<br>Emergency Lighting had<br>been tested on 31/07/18 but<br>several failures were noted.<br>A certificate provided by<br>RBKC indicated that remedial<br>works to the Emergency<br>Lighting system had been<br>completed on 02/11/18.No<br>monthly test records<br>provided. | LOW                |
| 27.4 | Annual maintenance of<br>fire extinguishing<br>appliances?  |     | No |     | Labels affixed to the most<br>extinguishers indicated that<br>they had been inspected in<br>the last year. However the<br>label indicated that<br>maintenance and recharge of<br>the CO2 extinguisher in the<br>lift motor room was out of<br>date.  | MEDIUM             |
| 27.5 | Periodic inspection of<br>external escape<br>staircases and<br>gangways?  |     |    | N/A | No external escape<br>staircases and gangways<br>observed.   |                    |
| 27.6 | Six-monthly inspection<br>and annual testing of<br>rising mains?  | Yes |    |     | Records provided by RBKC<br>indicate that the Annual<br>Pressure test was completed<br>on 17/07/2018 and a<br>previous six monthly visual<br>inspection had been<br>completed on 16/01/18  |                    |
| 27.7 | Weekly and monthly<br>testing, six-monthly<br>inspection and annual<br>testing of fire-fighting<br>lifts?                 |     |    | N/A | The two lifts appear to be<br>"Fire Lifts" rather than Fire<br>fighting Lifts as defined by<br>the building regulations. See<br>also 20.1  | Recomme<br>ndation |

| 27.8Weekly testing and<br>periodic inspection of<br>sprinkler installations?N/ANo sprinkler systems<br>observed.LOW27.9Routine checks of final<br>exit doors and/or<br>security fastenings?NOT<br>KWNNOT<br>KWNIt is understood that the<br>Waking Watch check the fire<br>exits daily and no issues<br>were identified during the<br>assessment. However, no<br>records were available to<br>confirm they had been<br>checked.LOW27.10Annual inspection and<br>test of lightning<br>protection system?YesRBKC records indicate the<br>system was tested on<br>03/11/2018RBKC records indicate the<br>system was tested on<br>03/11/201827.11Are suitable systems in<br>place for reporting and<br>subsequent restoration<br>of safety measures that<br>have fallen below<br>standard?YesRBKC Fire Safety Strategy<br>states that all defects and<br>repairs will be recorded by<br>routine matters by<br>telephone to the Customer<br>Services Centre who<br>instigate the repair. Repairs<br>to fire doors, self-closers etc.<br>are given priority.<br>In addition, residents and<br>employees can report any<br>concerns, defects,<br>outstanding repairs etc. via a<br>Freephone service. During<br>working hours this is<br>answered by RBKC's<br>Customer Service Centre<br>staff and out of working<br>hours by Pinacle, RBKC's<br>contracted out of hours call<br>monitoring service.27.12Other relevant<br>inspections or tests:N/ANo communal gas system<br>identified. |       |   |     |     |   |     |
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| exit doors and/or<br>security fastenings?KWNKWNKWNWaking Watch check the fire<br>exits daily and no issues<br>were identified during the<br>assessment. However, no<br>records were available to<br>confirm they had been<br>checked.27.10Annual inspection and<br>test of lightning<br>protection system?YesRBKC records indicate the<br>system was tested on<br>03/11/201827.11Are suitable systems in<br>place for reporting and<br>subsequent restoration<br>of safety measures that<br>have fallen below<br>standard?YesRBKC Fire Safety Strategy<br>states that all defects and<br>repairs will be recorded by<br>routine inspections and<br>reported immediately -<br>routine matters by<br>telephone to the Customer<br>Services Centre who<br>instigate the repair. Repairs<br>to fire doors, self-closers etc.<br>are given priority.<br>In addition, residents and<br>employees can report any<br>concerns, defects,<br>outstanding repairs etc. via a<br>Freephone service. During<br>working hours this is<br>answered by RBKC's<br>Customer Service Centre<br>staff and out of working<br>hours by Pinnacle, RBKC's<br>Customer Service.27.12Other relevantN/ANo communal gas system   | 27.8  | periodic inspection of  |     | N/A |   |     |
| test of lightning<br>protection system?system was tested on<br>03/11/201827.11Are suitable systems in<br>place for reporting and<br>subsequent restoration<br>of safety measures that<br>have fallen below<br>standard?YesRBKC Fire Safety Strategy<br>states that all defects and<br>repairs will be recorded by<br>routine inspections and<br>reported immediately -<br>routine matters via a PDA<br>and urgent matters by<br>telephone to the Customer<br>Services Centre who<br>instigate the repair. Repairs<br>to fire doors, self-closers etc.<br>are given priority.<br>In addition, residents and<br>employees can report any<br>concerns, defects,<br>outstanding repairs etc. via a<br>Freephone service. During<br>working hours this is<br>answered by RBKC's<br>Customer Service. Centre<br>staff and out of working<br>hours by Pinnacle, RBKC's<br>contracted out of hours call<br>monitoring service.27.12Other relevantN/A   | 27.9  | exit doors and/or   |     |     | Waking Watch check the fire<br>exits daily and no issues<br>were identified during the<br>assessment. However, no<br>records were available to<br>confirm they had been   | LOW |
| place for reporting and<br>subsequent restoration<br>of safety measures that<br>have fallen below<br>standard?states that all defects and<br>repairs will be recorded by<br>routine inspections and<br>reported immediately -<br>routine matters via a PDA<br>and urgent matters by<br>telephone to the Customer<br>Services Centre who<br>instigate the repair. Repairs<br>to fire doors, self-closers etc.<br>are given priority.<br>In addition, residents and<br>  | 27.10 | test of lightning   | Yes |     | system was tested on  |     |
|  | 27.11 | place for reporting and<br>subsequent restoration<br>of safety measures that<br>have fallen below | Yes |     | states that all defects and<br>repairs will be recorded by<br>routine inspections and<br>reported immediately -<br>routine matters via a PDA<br>and urgent matters by<br>telephone to the Customer<br>Services Centre who<br>instigate the repair. Repairs<br>to fire doors, self-closers etc.<br>are given priority.<br>In addition, residents and<br>employees can report any<br>concerns, defects,<br>outstanding repairs etc. via a<br>Freephone service. During<br>working hours this is<br>answered by RBKC's<br>Customer Service Centre<br>staff and out of working<br>hours by Pinnacle, RBKC's<br>contracted out of hours call |     |
|  | 27.12 |   |     | N/A |   |     |

| 28    | Records   | Yes | No | N/A | Comments   | Priority |
|-------|---|-----|----|-----|--|----------|
| 28.1a | Appropriate records of fire drills?   |     |    | N/A | None completed - see 26.5  |          |
| 28.1b | Appropriate records of fire training?   | Yes |    |     | See 26.4 regarding the Waking Watch  |          |
| 28.1c | Appropriate records of<br>maintenance and<br>testing of other fire<br>protection systems? | Yes |    |     | A certificate provided by<br>RBKC indicates that the<br>powered opening vents are<br>operational and were<br>serviced on 30/07/18. |          |

# **OTHER FACTORS**

| 29   | Flats / Bedrooms   | Yes | No | N/A | Comments   | Priority |
|------|--|-----|----|-----|--|----------|
| 29.1 | Are the perimeter walls<br>of the flats constructed<br>of materials which<br>provide at least 60<br>minutes of fire<br>separation?                   | Yes |    |     | The perimeter walls of the<br>flats appear to be of the<br>appropriate fire resistance<br>with no visual defects<br>identified on the day of the<br>visit.         |          |
| 29.2 | Are the front doors to<br>the flats fitted with fire<br>resisting front doors<br>(normally FD30s) with<br>self closures and<br>suitable letterboxes? | Yes |    |     | Flat doors were mainly<br>FD30S although several<br>older notional FD30/S doors<br>were still in situ.<br>See for actions relating to<br>flat entrance doors 29.3. |          |

| 29.3 | Are the front doors in reasonable condition with no visible defects?                     | No | Of the sample of flat front<br>doors checked internally and<br>externally, flat xx did not<br>have an effective self-closer<br>fitted and several doors did<br>not appear to have been<br>sealed properly, either at<br>install or following forced<br>entry.<br>Flat xx had an excessive gap<br>between the door and frame.<br>Flats x & x front doors had<br>been compromised by poorly<br>installed locks leaving holes<br>in the doors.<br>It is understood that RBKC<br>commissioned a 3rd part<br>specialist to conduct fire door<br>survey in October 2018 and<br>that the survey will describe<br>the faults found and remedial<br>actions required. The report<br>was not available at the time<br>of this assessment but it is<br>understood that RBKC will<br>commence a programme of<br>remedial works on receipt of<br>the report. Also see 30.2<br>Several flat front doors were<br>fitted with a security gate<br>which could impede access<br>and egress. | HIGH |
|------|--|----|---|------|
| 29.4 | Glazing within or<br>around the front doors<br>of a suitable fire<br>resisting standard? | No | Some flats were fitted with<br>Georgian Wired Glass side<br>panels. An inspection of side<br>panels within sample flats<br>found fire resisting materials<br>had been added to the inside<br>of the glass. However this<br>arrangement could not be<br>confirmed in all flats.  | LOW  |

| 29.5 | Do the flats have<br>domestic fire detectors<br>and, if so, what type?  | Yes        |            |            | Flats checked had at least<br>Grade D LD3 (BS5839 Part<br>6) systems. Some flats had<br>additional smoke alarms in<br>the bedrooms. It is<br>understood that the<br>additional detection in the<br>bedrooms is a measure to<br>mitigate any risk associated<br>with the communal<br>ventilation systems (see<br>31.1). | Recomme<br>ndation |
|------|---|------------|------------|------------|--|--------------------|
|      |   |            |            |            | At least one alarm in flats<br>xx,xx & xx, had been<br>disconnected and audible<br>beeps could be heard outside<br>some flats indicating that<br>smoke alarm battery back-<br>ups were dead.   |                    |
| 29.6 | If the flats within the<br>property include<br>maisonettes, is there<br>adequate means of<br>escape from all levels?  |            |            | N/A        | No maisonettes within the property.  |                    |
| 29.7 | Is the travel distance<br>within the flat<br>acceptable (either a<br>max 9m protected<br>entrance hall or a max.<br>travel distance of 9m<br>from anywhere in the<br>flat to the front door<br>without a protected<br>entrance hall). | NOT<br>KWN | NOT<br>KWN | NOT<br>KWN | Not reviewed in a Type 1<br>survey. See 29.8   |                    |
| 29.8 | Is the means of escape<br>within the flats<br>adequately protected by<br>fire resisting<br>compartmentation?  | NOT<br>KWN | NOT<br>KWN | NOT<br>KWN | Checks of the interior layout<br>and construction of the flats<br>is beyond the scope of the<br>RRFSO and the Type 1 FRA.  | Recomme<br>ndation |

| 30   | Common Areas and<br>Doors  | Yes | No | N/A | Comments  | Priority |
|------|--|-----|----|-----|---|----------|
| 30.1 | Are common area doors<br>of the appropriate fire<br>resistance (normally<br>FD30s) with self | Yes |    |     | Common area fire doors to the stair appeared to be self-closing nominal FD30S.  | MEDIUM   |
|      | closures?  |     |    |     | The fixed side half doors were not on self-closers so could potentially be left open.   |          |
|      |  |     |    |     | Some 14th floor plant area<br>doors left open. These were<br>cupboard doors and<br>considered low risk.   |          |
| 30.2 | Are common area doors<br>in reasonable condition<br>with no visible defects?                 |     | No |     | Several of the stairway doors<br>were damaged (e.g. stairway<br>door by flat 49 had broken<br>glazing and the door by flat<br>69 was warped), had<br>ineffective self-closers, or<br>excessive gaps between the<br>meeting edges (the smoke<br>seals were not fully covering<br>these gaps).  | HIGH     |
|      |  |     |    |     | As per 29.3, it is understood<br>that RBKC commissioned a<br>3rd part specialist to conduct<br>fire door survey in October<br>2018 and that the survey will<br>describe the faults found and<br>remedial actions required.<br>The report was not available<br>at the time of this<br>assessment but it is<br>understood that RBKC will<br>commence a programme of<br>remedial works on receipt of<br>the report |          |

| 30.3 | Glazing within or<br>around the common<br>area doors of a suitable<br>fire resisting standard?                   | Yes | Common area doors and<br>partitions fitted with<br>Georgian Wired Glass. The<br>stairway partitions covering<br>the former Permanently<br>Open Vents were also fitted<br>with plain non-fire rated<br>glazing on the stairway side.<br>There were several cracked<br>pains of the non-fire rated<br>plain glass on the stairway<br>partitions (the fire rated<br>wired glazing on these<br>partitions appeared to be in<br>good order).   | Recomme<br>ndation |
|------|--|-----|---|--------------------|
| 30.4 | Is the common area<br>compartmentation of a<br>satisfactory standard<br>with no visible fire<br>stopping issues? | Yes | Common area<br>compartmentation was in<br>satisfactory standard on the<br>day of the visit with no<br>visible fire stopping issues.<br>There are two service ducts<br>one the ceiling of each lobby.<br>These were opened and it<br>appeared that the fire<br>stopping into the flats was<br>adequate. These boxed in<br>ducts appeared to be of<br>wooden construction. As the<br>fire stopping appeared to be<br>adequate then they were not<br>considered an immediate risk<br>but it is recommended they<br>are upgraded as part of any<br>refurbishment programme. | Recomme<br>ndation |
| 30.5 | Are common area soft<br>furnishings appropriate<br>to limit fire<br>spread/growth?                               | Yes | Furnishings in the Waking<br>Watch flat appeared to be in<br>a satisfactory condition.  |                    |

| 31   | Ventilation  | Yes        | No         | N/A        | Comments  | Priority |
|------|--|------------|------------|------------|---|----------|
| 31.1 | Are there any<br>mechanical ventilation<br>systems which could<br>provide a means for<br>smoke/fire to spread? | NOT<br>KWN | NOT<br>KWN | NOT<br>KWN | Although beyond the scope<br>of the type one survey, a<br>Heat Recovery System in the<br>flats and a redundant<br>communal ventilation system<br>had been identified. It is not<br>known how the original<br>communal ductwork<br>connections within each flat<br>to the redundant communal<br>ventilation system have been<br>severed and fire protected.<br>This has been considered by<br>a separate report issued to<br>RBKC.   | MEDIUM   |
| 31.2 | Are there any features<br>which compromise the<br>effectiveness of any<br>cross-ventilation?                   | Yes        |            |            | It is understood that due to<br>an LFB enforcement notice,<br>the original configuration of<br>the ventilation to the<br>stairway had been modified,<br>removing the original POV on<br>one staircase. This has left a<br>single POV to the other<br>stairway providing approx.<br>0.75m2 (considering the<br>louvers). Although this is<br>below the 1.5m2 required by<br>building regulations this is<br>considered tolerable as the<br>work was recommended by<br>the LFB, travel distances are<br>short and the opposite stair<br>could be used for ventilation<br>by the fire service if required. |          |

| 31.3 | Is there sufficient<br>means to ventilate<br>lobbies and staircases? | Yes | The staircases are ventilated<br>by Openable Vents with<br>Powered Opening Vents on<br>12th & 13th floor of one<br>stair. These are openable<br>from the ground floor,<br>however the manual key<br>control (orange box) is<br>located at a high level so not<br>immediately accessible.<br>Many of the louvres in the<br>stairways were open at the<br>time of the assessment<br>which was causing drafts in<br>the building. The stairways<br>are required to be fitted with<br>at least 1m2 of ventilation at<br>the head of the stairs. It is<br>tolerable to keep the vents<br>closed (other than on the top<br>two floors) as they will be<br>opened if required by the<br>LFB to vent smoke from the | LOW |
|------|--|-----|---|-----|
| _    |  |     |   |     |

| 32.1       Are the perimeter walls and ceilings (including access doors) of the plant room sconstructed of materials which provide at least 60 minutes of fire separation?       The compartmentation within the plant room areas appeared adequate.         32.2       Are the perimeter walls and filor separation?       No       The perimeter walls and doors of the electrical cupboards and risers (including access doors) constructed of materials which provide at least 30 minutes of fire separation?       No       The perimeter walls and doors of the electrical cupboards / risers in the communal lobbies generally appeared to have suitable fire resistance (some riser doors were FD60 and some were FD60S).       MEDIUM         At the time of the assessment, contractors were conducting fire stopping works in the lobby riser cupboards (to seal penetrations between the sub-sections between the sub-sections of these cupboards), and also the risers accessed from the ground floor plant areas (to seal service penetrations and damaged riser cupboard doors). | 32   | Plant Rooms and<br>Service Risers   | Yes | No | N/A | Comments  | Priority |
|---|------|---|-----|----|-----|---|----------|
| and floor separation of<br>electrical cupboards and<br>risers (including access<br>doors) constructed of<br>  | 32.1 | and ceilings (including<br>access doors) of the<br>plant rooms constructed<br>of materials which<br>provide at least 60<br>minutes of fire                    | Yes |    |     | the plant room areas  |          |
| Redundant locks on riser<br>doors had been sealed on<br>the outside of the doors only.<br>To achieve the necessary fire<br>resistance the redundant<br>riser door locks should be<br>sealed on both sides.<br>The 6th floor riser cupboard<br>door had been compromised<br>where the former lock had<br>been removed, leaving a<br>void in the door, whilst a 5th<br>floor riser door had an<br>excessive gap around the<br>lock.   | 32.2 | and floor separation of<br>electrical cupboards and<br>risers (including access<br>doors) constructed of<br>materials which provide<br>at least 30 minutes of |     | No |     | doors of the electrical<br>cupboards / risers in the<br>communal lobbies generally<br>appeared to have suitable<br>fire resistance (some riser<br>doors were FD60 and some<br>were FD60S).<br>At the time of the<br>assessment, contractors<br>were conducting fire<br>stopping works in the lobby<br>riser cupboards (to seal<br>penetrations between the<br>sub-sections of these<br>cupboards), and also the<br>risers accessed from the<br>ground floor plant areas (to<br>seal service penetrations and<br>damaged riser cupboard<br>doors).<br>Redundant locks on riser<br>doors had been sealed on<br>the outside of the doors only.<br>To achieve the necessary fire<br>resistance the redundant<br>riser door locks should be<br>sealed on both sides.<br>The 6th floor riser cupboard<br>door had been compromised<br>where the former lock had<br>been removed, leaving a<br>void in the door, whilst a 5th<br>floor riser door had an<br>excessive gap around the | MEDIUM   |

| 32.3 | Are electrical cupboards<br>and risers locked shut<br>and clear of<br>combustible materials?             | Yes |    |     | Electrical cupboards checked were locked shut and kept free of combustible materials.   |        |
|------|--|-----|----|-----|---|--------|
| 32.4 | Are plant rooms and<br>electrical risers kept<br>clear of combustible<br>materials?                      |     | No |     | Housekeeping in the plant<br>rooms was considered<br>acceptable. There was some<br>combustible storage in the<br>risers located off the ground<br>floor Caretakers area.  | HIGH   |
| 32.5 | Do the plant rooms and<br>electrical risers have<br>sufficient coverage of<br>fire detection?            |     |    | N/A | No communal alarm system.<br>In the plant areas. Not<br>considered a requirement a<br>walking watch is in place.  |        |
| 32.6 | Are boilers/plant fitted<br>with automatic shut off<br>devices in the case of<br>fire or gas leak?       |     |    | N/A | No boiler room.   |        |
| 32.7 | Do the plant rooms<br>have suitable and<br>sufficient fire<br>extinguishers and are<br>these maintained? |     | No |     | CO2 extinguisher in Lift<br>Motor room considered<br>suitable but it was out of<br>date - See action under 27.4   |        |
| 32.8 | Do bin chute hatches close correctly?  |     | No |     | There were damaged or non-<br>closing bin chute hoppers on<br>several floors. Considered<br>moderate fire risk as<br>alternative stairway<br>available. "Rodding point"<br>plates also poorly sealed on<br>some floors. | MEDIUM |

| 33   | Basements and<br>Underground Car Parks   | Yes | No | N/A | Comments                                      | Priority |
|------|--|-----|----|-----|---|----------|
| 33.1 | Are basement and<br>underground car park<br>areas separated from<br>the ground and upper<br>floors by at least 60<br>minute fire resistant<br>horizontal separation?   |     |    | N/A | No basement or underground car park observed. |          |
| 33.2 | Do all basement<br>staircases appear to be<br>enclosed in 60 minute<br>fire resistant<br>construction and are<br>there measures in place<br>for the separation of<br>basement staircases<br>from those staircases<br>serving upper floors? |     |    | N/A | See 33.1 above.                               |          |
| 33.3 | Does the building utilise<br>vertical smoke<br>ventilation and cross<br>flow smoke ventilation<br>systems and do they<br>appear, visually, to be<br>in good condition?   |     |    | N/A | See 33.1 above.                               |          |
| 33.4 | Are mechanical smoke<br>extraction/ventilation<br>systems utilised and are<br>these being maintained<br>and tested on a regular<br>basis?  |     |    | N/A | See 33.1 above.                               |          |
| 33.5 | Is the location and<br>coverage of the existing<br>sprinklers or<br>suppression systems<br>considered adequate<br>and are these systems<br>maintained and tested<br>on a regular basis?  |     |    | N/A | See 33.1 above.                               |          |

| 34   | Commercial Tenants   | Yes        | No         | N/A        | Comments  | Priority |
|------|--|------------|------------|------------|---|----------|
| 34.1 | Does the commercial<br>premises have a<br>current fire risk<br>assessment?   | NOT<br>KWN | NOT<br>KWN | NOT<br>KWN | There are commercial<br>tenants on the ground floor<br>(separate access). The<br>commercial tenants occupy<br>an office and also have a<br>store room.  | MEDIUM   |
| 34.2 | Does the operation of<br>the commercial<br>premises entail a<br>specific fire risk (e.g.   | Yes        |            |            | The commercial tenant is a<br>Spirits retailer and stated<br>that they store<br>approximately 160 litres of<br>spirits on site. See action<br>under 34.1  |          |
| 34.3 | Is the<br>compartmentation<br>between the<br>commercial premises<br>and the residential<br>building adequate (60<br>minutes)?                                | Yes        |            |            | The compartmentation<br>between the commercial<br>premises and residential<br>building appeared to be<br>satisfactory based on a<br>visual check from within<br>Hazlewood Tower, and from<br>within the commercial<br>tenants store room. |          |
| 34.4 | Are there any<br>identifiable gaps in the<br>compartmentation<br>between the<br>commercial premises<br>and the residential<br>building?                      |            | No         |            | No obvious defects identified.  |          |
| 34.5 | Does the business share<br>an escape stairway with<br>the residential building?  |            | No         |            | The business does not share a means of escape.  |          |
| 34.6 | If the answer to<br>Question 33 above is<br>"Yes", is there a lobby<br>separating the stairwell<br>and each business at<br>every floor level?                |            |            | N/A        | See 34.5 above.   |          |
| 34.7 | Is there a common fire<br>alarm (or other fire<br>safety system) shared<br>by the two properties<br>and, if the systems are<br>separate, are they<br>linked? |            |            | N/A        | No linked alarm system required.  |          |

| 35   | External   | Yes        | No         | N/A        | Comments  | Priority |
|------|--|------------|------------|------------|---|----------|
| 35.1 | Is fire service access to the building satisfactory?   | Yes        |            |            | Fire service access is deemed to be satisfactory.   |          |
| 35.2 | Is there a fire hydrant<br>within 90m of an entry<br>point to a building?  | Yes        |            |            | Fire hydrant distribution in accordance with normal town environments.  |          |
| 35.3 | Do fire rising main<br>inlets appear to be in<br>reasonable condition,<br>accessible and<br>appropriately signed?  |            | No         |            | Dry Riser outlet within top<br>floor tank room appeared to<br>be in poor condition /<br>weather damaged. It was<br>also not signed.   | MEDIUM   |
| 35.4 | Is the building cladding<br>constructed of suitable<br>fire resistant materials<br>to help prevent external<br>fire spread between<br>flats?   | NOT<br>KWN | NOT<br>KWN | NOT<br>KWN | The building Façade is<br>covered by a rendered<br>"ETICS" (External Thermal<br>Insulation Composite<br>System) cladding system.<br>Subsequent to the fire risk<br>assessment completed on<br>06/02/2018 an Initial Façade<br>Investigation was made of<br>the cladding and a report<br>provided to RBKC. RBKC<br>consulted on the findings of<br>the report with LFB who<br>mandated that a temporary<br>simultaneous evacuation<br>strategy was implemented<br>(see 25.4a). | HIGH     |
| 35.5 | In the case of external<br>fire escape staircases,<br>are all doors and<br>windows opening onto,<br>adjacent to and within<br>1.8m of, all such<br>staircases of 30 minute<br>fire construction<br>(except on the top<br>floor)? |            |            | N/A        | No external fire escapes<br>observed.   |          |

## **Appendix A - Action Plan**

#### High

Urgent action needs to be taken. Work typically completed within TWO months. Imminent risk to life and property. High probability of legal action, both criminal and civil. Non-compliance with the FSO.

#### Medium

Remedial action needs to be taken. Work typically completed within FOUR months. Significant risk to life and property. Possible risk of enforcement notice. Non-compliance with FSO.

#### Low

Remedial action needs to be taken. Work typically completed within SIX months. Minimal risk to life and property. Minimal risk of enforcement notice. Non-compliance with FSO.

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| 7.2a   | 06/11/2018 | Label on electrical boards indicated<br>that the fixed electrical inspection<br>had been tested in the last five<br>years but no certificate was<br>available and no information was<br>available on the status of any<br>remedial actions. | LOW      | Ensure that a fixed wire test has been<br>completed in the last five years and that<br>records are readily available. The status of<br>any remedial actions should be confirmed<br>and closed out as necessary. |                 |                   |
| 7.2b   | 06/11/2018 | Unable to verify if all appliances in the Waking Watch flat had up to date PAT tests.   | LOW      | Ensure all portable appliances in the<br>Waking Watch flat have been PAT tested in<br>accordance with RBKC policy.  |                 |                   |
| 7.2c   | 06/11/2018 | The RBKC Policy, which defines the rules on the use of personal portable appliances at work, has not been provided.   | LOW      | RBKC to ensure that they have a policy<br>which defines the rules on the use of<br>personal portable appliances and that this<br>is suitably communicated to the EFS<br>Waking Watch.                           |                 |                   |

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| 9.1    | 06/11/2018 | The entrance to the building was<br>secure with no specific issues<br>identified on the day of the visit.<br>Main entrance has a mag-lock with<br>intercom system and Drop Key<br>override. However, the externally<br>accessed bin store was unlocked.  | MEDIUM   | To minimise the risk of arson the bin store should be kept locked.  |                 |                   |
| 13.2b  | 06/11/2018 | There was a build up of waste<br>materials in the Caretakers Store<br>on the ground floor. White goods,<br>trolleys, mattresses etc. presented<br>an unnecessary fire loading.   | HIGH     | Recommended that all unnecessary<br>combustible waste materials stored in the<br>Caretakers Store are appropriately<br>disposed of.   |                 |                   |
| 18.1a  | 06/11/2018 | In general compartmentation in the<br>communal areas appeared to<br>comply with relevant standards at<br>time of construction. It was noted<br>that within the caretaker store<br>area, a fire door and fire resistant<br>glazing between the store area and<br>corridor leading back to the<br>communal lobby were missing.         | LOW      | Reinstate 30 minute fire resisting<br>compartmentation between Caretaker store<br>area and corridor leading to communal<br>lobby.   |                 |                   |
| 18.1b  | 06/11/2018 | The majority of linings appeared to<br>be a notional "Class 0" for the<br>surface spread of flame. Some<br>delaminated paint at head of stairs<br>on floor 14 (plant area) was not<br>considered a significant risk but<br>delaminated paint in the 5th floor<br>lobby and ground floor CCTV room<br>should be removed and replaced. | LOW      | Remove delaminated paint from 5th floor<br>lobby ceiling and ground floor CCTV room<br>and replace with a product which achieves<br>a 'Class 0' fire rating for the surface spread<br>of flame. |                 |                   |

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| 20.1   | 06/11/2018 | In general, the type and location of<br>the fire safety signage appeared to<br>be appropriate. It was noted that<br>there were no "Not a Firefighting<br>Lift" signs above the doors to the<br>lifts at ground floor levels. The lifts<br>appear to be "Fire Lifts" rather than<br>"Fire Fighting Lifts" as defined by<br>the Building Regulations.   | LOW      | Review whether "Not a fire fighting lift"<br>signage is required. This may require<br>liaison with LFB. |                 |                   |
| 25.4   | 06/11/2018 | Due to the potential concerns with<br>the external cladding, LFB have<br>mandated a temporary<br>Simultaneous Evacuation strategy<br>which is to remain in place until the<br>potential issues with the cladding<br>have been resolved. It is<br>understood that residents have<br>been informed of the change in<br>evacuation strategy via letters and<br>a tenants meeting. Fire Action<br>Notices describing the<br>Simultaneous Evacuation procedure<br>were in place. However, the Fire<br>Action Notices did not identify the<br>assembly point. | MEDIUM   | The Fire Action notices should identify the temporary fire assembly point.                              |                 |                   |

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| 25.4c  | 06/11/2018 | The Emergency Plan requires the<br>Waking Watch Manager / Assistant<br>Manager to meet the LFB and<br>provide them with relevant<br>information as described in the<br>Emergency Plan.<br>Although information such as floor<br>plans and a Vulnerability List was<br>provided in the Waking Watch flat,<br>the Premises Information Box<br>which had been installed near the<br>building entrance was empty. | MEDIUM   | <ul> <li>The Premises Information Box should contain useful information for the Fire Brigade, including copies of:</li> <li>Vulnerability List</li> <li>Vulnerable Person Map</li> <li>Full Building Plans including flat layouts</li> <li>Hydrant Locations</li> <li>Dry Riser Layout information</li> <li>Smoke Ventilation System information</li> <li>Gerda Keys to access plant areas.</li> </ul> |                 |                   |

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| 25.4f  | 06/11/2018 | As the evacuation strategy has<br>been changed to Simultaneous<br>Evacuation, persons who are<br>unable to self-evacuate or respond<br>appropriately to evacuation signals<br>may be at additional risk and may<br>require a Personal Emergency<br>Evacuation Plan (PEEP).<br>In each case where a resident is<br>identified as being unable to<br>respond to the evacuation signal<br>and/or unable to self-evacuate,<br>RBKC should, subject to the co-<br>operation of the residents, seek to<br>agree a Personal Emergency<br>Evacuation Plan (PEEP) with each of<br>these residents. Vulnerable<br>residents who cannot be assisted to<br>safety may need to be relocated<br>while this simultaneous evacuation<br>strategy is in place. However, this<br>would require the co-operation of<br>the residents in question.<br>The Emergency Plan states that,<br>"All residents have received a letter<br>requesting that if they would<br>experience any difficulty evacuating<br>their flat in the event of a fire or<br>emergency they should complete<br>and return a proforma. | HIGH     | Ensure that where residents have indicated<br>that they have a condition that may<br>impede their ability self-evacuate, that the<br>Vunerability List describes what assistance<br>will be required by the Vaking Watch (and<br>potentially by the LFB), as agreed with the<br>resident, and that this information and<br>(associated training) has been provided to<br>al members of the Waking Watch. |                 |                   |

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|        |            | than individual PEEPS) was<br>demonstrated (based on<br>information provided by residents)<br>the "assistance to be provided<br>section" for some residents simply<br>described a health condition rather<br>than any actions required by the<br>Waking Watch (and potentially by<br>LFB).  |          |   |                 |                   |
| 25.8   | 06/11/2018 | The RBKC Fire Safety Strategy<br>states that a programme of regular<br>estate inspection, risk assessments<br>and monitoring by Estate and<br>Neighbourhood Staff and Health &<br>Safety staff will be conducted.<br>Understood that daily inspections<br>are conducted by the Waking<br>Watch. No inspection records were<br>provided. | LOW      | Ensure that records are available to<br>confirm that regular estate inspections are<br>being completed in accordance with the<br>RBKC Fire Safety Strategy. |                 |                   |

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| 26.1   | 06/11/2018 | The RBKC Fire Safety Strategy<br>states that requires all staff to<br>complete a comprehensive on-line<br>fire safety training course.<br>Additionally, practical training<br>sessions on the use of fire<br>extinguishers are run annually for<br>fire marshals, estate staff,<br>sheltered housing officers and<br>other relevant staff. Further, staff<br>who are required to undertake<br>regular communal inspections are<br>also given additional more<br>specialised training.<br>No records of specific training<br>delivery have been provided. | LOW      | Ensure that all relevant staff have been<br>trained in accordance with the RBKC Fire<br>Safety Strategy. |                 |                   |
| 26.5   | 06/11/2018 | The Emergency Plan requires<br>evacuation drills to be completed<br>twice per year. It was confirmed<br>that as of 12/11/18 no drill had<br>been completed.  | LOW      | Fire drills should be completed in accordance with the Emergency Plan.                                   |                 |                   |
| 27.3   | 06/11/2018 | Logbook in CCTV/Ventilation room<br>indicated the Emergency Lighting<br>had been tested on 31/07/18 but<br>several failures were noted. A<br>certificate provided by RBKC<br>indicated that remedial works to<br>the Emergency Lighting system had<br>been completed on 02/11/18.No<br>monthly test records provided.  | LOW      | RBKC to ensure that the emergency<br>lighting has been maintained in accordance<br>with BS5266 Part 1.   |                 |                   |

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| 27.4   | 06/11/2018 | Labels affixed to the most<br>extinguishers indicated that they<br>had been inspected in the last year.<br>However the label indicated that<br>maintenance and recharge of the<br>CO2 extinguisher in the lift motor<br>room was out of date. | MEDIUM   | Ensure that the CO2 extinguisher in the Lift<br>Motor room is maintained & recharged /<br>replaced as is necessary, in accordance<br>with BS5306.              |                 |                   |
| 27.9   | 06/11/2018 | It is understood that the Waking<br>Watch check the fire exits daily and<br>no issues were identified during the<br>assessment. However, no records<br>were available to confirm they had<br>been checked.                                    | LOW      | Ensure that records are available to<br>confirm that routine checks of final exits<br>are being completed in accordance with the<br>RBKC Fire Safety Strategy. |                 |                   |

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| 29.3   | 06/11/2018 | Of the sample of flat front doors<br>checked internally and externally,<br>flat 33 did not have an effective<br>self-closer fitted and several doors<br>did not appear to have been sealed<br>properly, either at install or<br>following forced entry.<br>Flat xx had an excessive gap<br>between the door and frame.<br>Flats x & xx front doors had been<br>compromised by poorly installed<br>locks leaving holes in the doors.<br>It is understood that RBKC<br>commissioned a 3rd part specialist<br>to conduct fire door survey in<br>October 2018 and that the survey<br>will describe the faults found and<br>remedial actions required. The<br>report was not available at the time<br>of this assessment but it is<br>understood that RBKC will<br>commence a programme of<br>remedial works on receipt of the<br>report. Also see 30.2<br>Several flat front doors were fitted<br>with a security gate which could<br>impede access and egress. | HIGH     | <text></text>   |                 |                   |

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| 29.3   | 06/11/2018 | Of the sample of flat front doors<br>checked internally and externally,<br>flat xx did not have an effective<br>self-closer fitted and several doors<br>did not appear to have been sealed<br>properly, either at install or<br>following forced entry.   | LOW      | Recommend management establish a<br>rolling programme of checks to all flat front<br>doors to confirm that they remain in good<br>condition and self-closers are fitted and<br>remain effective |                 |                   |
|        |            | Flat xx had an excessive gap between the door and frame.  |          |   |                 |                   |
|        |            | Flats x & xx front doors had been compromised by poorly installed locks leaving holes in the doors.   |          |   |                 |                   |
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|        |            | Several flat front doors were fitted with a security gate which could impede access and egress.   |          |   |                 |                   |

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| 29.3   | 06/11/2018 | Of the sample of flat front doors<br>checked internally and externally,<br>flat xx did not have an effective<br>self-closer fitted and several doors<br>did not appear to have been sealed<br>properly, either at install or<br>following forced entry.   | MEDIUM   | Security gates on front doors next to the<br>stairway doors should be removed as they<br>might impede emergency access& egress.<br>Recommended that other residents with<br>security gates are informed that the gates<br>may inhibit their means of escape or<br>impede firefighter access. |                 |                   |
|        |            | Flat xx had an excessive gap between the door and frame.  |          |  |                 |                   |
|        |            | Flats x & xx front doors had been compromised by poorly installed locks leaving holes in the doors.   |          |  |                 |                   |
|        |            | It is understood that RBKC<br>commissioned a 3rd part specialist<br>to conduct fire door survey in<br>October 2018 and that the survey<br>will describe the faults found and<br>remedial actions required. The<br>report was not available at the time<br>of this assessment but it is<br>understood that RBKC will<br>commence a programme of<br>remedial works on receipt of the<br>report. Also see 30.2 |          |  |                 |                   |
|        |            | Several flat front doors were fitted with a security gate which could impede access and egress.   |          |  |                 |                   |

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| 29.4   | 06/11/2018 | Some flats were fitted with<br>Georgian Wired Glass side panels.<br>An inspection of side panels within<br>sample flats found fire resisting<br>materials had been added to the<br>inside of the glass. However this<br>arrangement could not be<br>confirmed in all flats. | LOW      | Confirm in flats with damaged / boarded<br>over or painted side panels, that they will<br>provide at least 30 minutes fire resistance. |                 |                   |
| 30.1   | 06/11/2018 | Common area fire doors to the stair<br>appeared to be self-closing nominal<br>FD30S.<br>The fixed side half doors were not<br>on self-closers so could potentially<br>be left open.<br>Some 14th floor plant area doors   | MEDIUM   | To minimise the risk of the side fixed leaf<br>doors being left open it is recommended<br>that they are fitted with self-closers.      |                 |                   |
|        |            | left open. These were cupboard doors and considered low risk.   |          |  |                 |                   |
| 30.1   | 06/11/2018 | Common area fire doors to the stair appeared to be self-closing nominal FD30S.  | LOW      | Recommended that all 14th floor plant<br>room fire doors are kept locked shut to<br>maintain the compartmentation.                     |                 |                   |
|        |            | The fixed side half doors were not<br>on self-closers so could potentially<br>be left open.   |          |  |                 |                   |
|        |            | Some 14th floor plant area doors<br>left open. These were cupboard<br>doors and considered low risk.  |          |  |                 |                   |
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| 30.2   | 06/11/2018 | Several of the stairway doors were<br>damaged (e.g. stairway door by<br>flat 49 had broken glazing and the<br>door by flat 69 was warped), had<br>ineffective self-closers, or<br>excessive gaps between the<br>meeting edges (the smoke seals<br>were not fully covering these gaps).<br>As per 29.3, it is understood that<br>RBKC commissioned a 3rd part<br>specialist to conduct fire door<br>survey in October 2018 and that<br>the survey will describe the faults<br>found and remedial actions<br>required. The report was not<br>available at the time of this<br>assessment but it is understood<br>that RBKC will commence a<br>programme of remedial works on<br>receipt of the report | HIGH     | Ensure the broken glazing on the stairway<br>door by flat 49 is replaced with 30 minute<br>fire resisting glazing.<br>Ensure all stairway doors are fully self-<br>closing and the gaps between the meeting<br>edges of the doors and between the doors<br>and the fares are not wider than 4mm and<br>are covered by the smoke seals.<br>Ensure all defects identified by the 3rd part<br>door survey are rectified. |                 |                   |

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| 30.2   | 06/11/2018 | Several of the stairway doors were<br>damaged (e.g. stairway door by<br>flat 49 had broken glazing and the<br>door by flat 69 was warped), had<br>ineffective self-closers, or<br>excessive gaps between the<br>meeting edges (the smoke seals<br>were not fully covering these gaps).<br>As per 29.3, it is understood that<br>RBKC commissioned a 3rd part<br>specialist to conduct fire door<br>survey in October 2018 and that<br>the survey will describe the faults<br>found and remedial actions<br>required. The report was not<br>available at the time of this<br>assessment but it is understood<br>that RBKC will commence a<br>programme of remedial works on<br>receipt of the report | LOW      | Recommend management establish a<br>rolling programme of checks to all<br>communal fire doors to confirm that they<br>remain in good condition and that cold<br>smoke seals, intumescent strips, fire rated<br>glazing and self-closers are fitted and<br>remain effective |                 |                   |

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| 31.1   | 06/11/2018 | Although beyond the scope of the<br>type one survey, a Heat Recovery<br>System in the flats and a<br>redundant communal ventilation<br>system had been identified. It is<br>not known how the original<br>communal ductwork connections<br>within each flat to the redundant<br>communal ventilation system have<br>been severed and fire protected.<br>This has been considered by a<br>separate report issued to RBKC.   | MEDIUM   | Recommended that an intrusive<br>investigation is undertaken within a void<br>flat(s) to understand how the original<br>communal ventilation ductwork connection<br>has been severed and fire protected.   |                 |                   |
| 31.3   | 06/11/2018 | The staircases are ventilated by<br>Openable Vents with Powered<br>Opening Vents on 12th & 13th floor<br>of one stair. These are openable<br>from the ground floor, however the<br>manual key control (orange box) is<br>located at a high level so not<br>immediately accessible.<br>Many of the louvres in the<br>stairways were open at the time of<br>the assessment which was causing<br>drafts in the building. The stairways<br>are required to be fitted with at<br>least 1m2 of ventilation at the head<br>of the stairs. It is tolerable to keep<br>the vents closed (other than on the<br>top two floors) as they will be<br>opened if required by the LFB to<br>vent smoke from the stairways. | LOW      | Recommended that the Manual Smoke<br>Control switch is lowered to a height which<br>can easily be reached by the LFB. The<br>smoke control should be labelled to<br>indicate which staircase it activates.<br>In the longer term consider upgrading the<br>Powered Vents to AOV activated via L5<br>smoke detection (as defined by BS5839<br>Part 1) at the head of the stair. |                 |                   |

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| 32.2   | 06/11/2018 | The perimeter walls and doors of<br>the electrical cupboards / risers in<br>the communal lobbies generally<br>appeared to have suitable fire<br>resistance (some riser doors were<br>FD60 and some were FD60S).  | MEDIUM   | It is recommended that RBKC complete a post works snagging check to ensure the fire stopping works have been completed satisfactorily. |                 |                   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|        |            | At the time of the assessment,<br>contractors were conducting fire<br>stopping works in the lobby riser<br>cupboards (to seal penetrations<br>between the sub-sections of these<br>cupboards), and also the risers<br>accessed from the ground floor<br>plant areas (to seal service<br>penetrations and damaged riser<br>cupboard doors). |          |  |                 |                   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|        |            | Redundant locks on riser doors had<br>been sealed on the outside of the<br>doors only. To achieve the<br>necessary fire resistance the<br>redundant riser door locks should<br>be sealed on both sides.  |          |  |                 |                   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|        |            | The 6th floor riser cupboard door<br>had been compromised where the<br>former lock had been removed,<br>leaving a void in the door, whilst a<br>5th floor riser door had an<br>excessive gap around the lock.  |          |  |                 |                   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

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| 32.2   | 06/11/2018 | The perimeter walls and doors of<br>the electrical cupboards / risers in<br>the communal lobbies generally<br>appeared to have suitable fire<br>resistance (some riser doors were<br>FD60 and some were FD60S).<br>At the time of the assessment,<br>contractors were conducting fire<br>stopping works in the lobby riser<br>cupboards (to seal penetrations<br>between the sub-sections of these<br>cupboards), and also the risers<br>accessed from the ground floor<br>plant areas (to seal service<br>penetrations and damaged riser<br>cupboard doors).<br>Redundant locks on riser doors had<br>been sealed on the outside of the<br>doors only. To achieve the<br>necessary fire resistance the<br>redundant riser door locks should<br>be sealed on both sides.<br>The 6th floor riser cupboard door<br>had been compromised where the<br>former lock had been removed,<br>leaving a void in the door, whilst a<br>5th floor riser door had an<br>excessive gap around the lock. | LOW      | It is recommended that all the redundant<br>locks in the riser doors are sealed on both<br>sides of the doors. Any voids in the doors<br>created by the removal of the locks should<br>be sealed to maintain the 60 minute fire<br>resistance of the door. Ensure any gaps<br>between the riser doors and frames are<br>within 4mm. |                 |                   |

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| 32.4   | 06/11/2018 | Housekeeping in the plant rooms<br>was considered acceptable. There<br>was some combustible storage in<br>the risers located off the ground<br>floor Caretakers area.  | HIGH     | Ensure the risers off the ground floor<br>Caretakers area are cleared of combustible<br>materials - also see 13.2b   |                 |                   |
| 32.8   | 06/11/2018 | There were damaged or non-<br>closing bin chute hoppers on<br>several floors. Considered<br>moderate fire risk as alternative<br>stairway available. "Rodding point"<br>plates also poorly sealed on some<br>floors. | MEDIUM   | As many Bin Chute hoppers were in poor<br>condition it is recommended that they are<br>all replaced with new fire rated hoppers.<br>Ensure all Rodding Point cover plates are<br>robustly secured to eliminate any gaps.<br>Replace the plates if this can not be<br>achieved. |                 |                   |
| 34.1   | 06/11/2018 | There are commercial tenants on<br>the ground floor (separate access).<br>The commercial tenants occupy an<br>office and also have a store room.   | MEDIUM   | RKBC should obtain fire risk assessment<br>from commercial tenants to verify that they<br>have considered and managed the relevant<br>risks, including the storage of spirits.   |                 |                   |
| 35.3   | 06/11/2018 | Dry Riser outlet within top floor<br>tank room appeared to be in poor<br>condition / weather damaged. It<br>was also not signed.   | MEDIUM   | Ensure plant room Dry Riser outlet is in a<br>working condition. Recommended outlet<br>valve is protected to prevent weather<br>damage and appropriate signage is<br>installed to clearly indicate its location.   |                 |                   |

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| 35.4   | 06/11/2018 | The building Façade is covered by a<br>rendered "ETICS" (External<br>Thermal Insulation Composite<br>System) cladding system.<br>Subsequent to the fire risk<br>assessment completed on<br>06/02/2018 an Initial Façade<br>Investigation was made of the<br>cladding and a report provided to<br>RBKC. RBKC consulted on the<br>findings of the report with LFB who<br>mandated that a temporary<br>simultaneous evacuation strategy<br>was implemented (see 25.4a). | HIGH     | RBKC have stated that they plan to remove<br>the cladding system from the building by<br>31/12/2018. |                 |                   |

#### **Further Recommendations**

The following recomendations should be reviewed/factored in to future works programmes. Work typically completed as part of the next project or refurbishment. Non-compliance with current standards.

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| 17.2i  | 06/11/2018   | It is considered that the protection of escape routes<br>comply with the relevant standards at time of<br>construction. However, as the building is above 18m,<br>current building regulations would require one stair to be<br>a "Fire Fighting Shaft" with 120 minute fire resisting<br>compartmentation and a FD60S fire door.   | Recommended that one stairwell is upgraded to the standard of a Fire Fighting Shaft with 120 minute fire resisting compartmentation and a FD60S fire door a part of any future major refurbishment works. Also see 27.7  |
| 21.3   | 06/11/2018   | In accordance with NFCC guidance, the temporary fire<br>strategy relies on the Waking Watch to detect the<br>presence of a fire by hearing an alarm sounding within a<br>flat, and manually activating the communal fire alarm<br>sounders that would alert all residents of the need to<br>evacuate (or via automatic activation of the system if<br>smoke is detected by one of the smoke detectors in the<br>lobbies). It is understood that RBKC plan to remove the<br>cladding by the end of 2018 and this strategy is<br>considered satisfactory providing that this plan is met. | The provision of the temporary fire alarm system should be reviewed<br>if there is any delay to the cladding removal programme.  |
| 25.4   | considered satisfactory providing that this plan is met.<br>5.4 06/11/2018 Due to the potential concerns with the external cladding, |   | Recommended that RBKC write to each tenant and lease holder, to<br>advise them of the fire safety arrangements and design features that<br>are incorporated into the flats, and of the importance of maintaining<br>them for the benefit of all occupants (also see 29.5). |

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| 27.7   | 06/11/2019 | The two lifts appear to be "Fire Lifts" rather than Fire   | Due to the beight of the building and single stairway it is   |
| 21.1   | 06/11/2018 | fighting Lifts as defined by the building regulations. See<br>also 20.1  | Due to the height of the building and single stairway it is recommended that a Fire Fighting Lift (as defined by BS9999) is considered when the current lifts are due for replacement.  |
| 29.5   | 06/11/2018 | Flats checked had at least Grade D LD3 (BS5839 Part 6) systems. Some flats had additional smoke alarms in the bedrooms. It is understood that the additional detection   | The alarms in flats xx,xx & xx should be reconnected.<br>It is recommended that where the Waking Watch hear a smoke alarm   |
|        |            | in the bedrooms is a measure to mitigate any risk<br>associated with the communal ventilation systems (see<br>31.1).   | battery warning beep they assist the tenant in getting the battery replaced.  |
|        |            | At least one alarm in flats xx,xx & xx,had been<br>disconnected and audible beeps could be heard outside<br>some flats indicating that smoke alarm battery back-ups<br>were dead.  | It is recommended that all flats are fitted with at least Grade D LD2 fire alarm systems to BS5839 Part 6 in accordance with RBKC policy.   |
| 29.8   | 06/11/2018 | Checks of the interior layout and construction of the flats is beyond the scope of the RRFSO and the Type 1 FRA.   | It is recommended that where it is known that the means of escape<br>from the bedrooms of the flat is through a "risk room" i.e. lounge or<br>kitchen then a Type 3 FRA is conducted within the flats to confirm<br>that the means of escape are suitable and the domestic fire alarm<br>systems are appropriate. |
| 30.3   | 06/11/2018 | Common area doors and partitions fitted with Georgian<br>Wired Glass. The stairway partitions covering the former<br>Permanently Open Vents were also fitted with plain non-<br>fire rated glazing on the stairway side. There were<br>several cracked pains of the non-fire rated plain glass on<br>the stairway partitions (the fire rated wired glazing on<br>these partitions appeared to be in good order). | Recommended that any cracked glazing covering the former permanently open vents is replaced with 30 minute fire resistant glass.  |

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| 30.4   | 06/11/2018 | Common area compartmentation was in satisfactory<br>standard on the day of the visit with no visible fire<br>stopping issues. There are two service ducts one the<br>ceiling of each lobby. These were opened and it appeared<br>that the fire stopping into the flats was adequate. These<br>boxed in ducts appeared to be of wooden construction. As<br>the fire stopping appeared to be adequate then they were<br>not considered an immediate risk but it is recommended<br>they are upgraded as part of any refurbishment<br>programme. | Recommended the two wooden boxed in service ducts above each<br>lobby are replaced with materials that provide at least 30 minutes fire<br>resistance and are Class 0 for surface spread of flame, as part of any<br>future refurbishment works. |

# **Appendix B - Photographs**

#### **Ref No Description**

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- 9.1 The entrance to the building was secure with no specific issues identified on the day of the visit. Main entrance has a mag-lock with intercom system and Drop Key override. However, the externally accessed bin store was unlocked.
- 13.2b There was a build up of waste materials in the Caretakers Store on the ground floor. White goods, trolleys, mattresses etc. presented an unnecessary fire loading.



18.1a In general compartmentation in the communal areas appeared to comply with relevant standards at time of construction. It was noted that within the caretaker store area, a fire door and fire resistant glazing between the store area and corridor leading back to the communal lobby were missing.



25.4c The Emergency Plan requires the Waking Watch Manager / Assistant Manager to meet the LFB and provide them with relevant information as described in the Emergency Plan. Although information such as floor plans and a Vulnerability List was provided in the Waking Watch flat, the Premises Information Box which had been installed near the building entrance was empty.



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27.4 Labels affixed to the most extinguishers indicated that they had been inspected in the last year. However the label indicated that maintenance and recharge of the CO2 extinguisher in the lift motor room was out of date.



29.3 Of the sample of flat front doors checked internally and externally, flat xx did not have an effective selfcloser fitted and several doors did not appear to have been sealed properly, either at install or following forced entry.

Flat xx had an excessive gap between the door and frame.

Flats x & xx front doors had been compromised by poorly installed locks leaving holes in the doors.

It is understood that RBKC commissioned a 3rd part specialist to conduct fire door survey in October 2018 and that the survey will describe the faults found and remedial actions required. The report was not available at the time of this assessment but it is understood that RBKC will commence a programme of remedial works on receipt of the report. Also see 30.2

Several flat front doors were fitted with a security gate which could impede access and egress.

30.2 Several of the stairway doors were damaged (e.g. stairway door by flat 49 had broken glazing and the door by flat 69 was warped), had ineffective self-closers, or excessive gaps between the meeting edges (the smoke seals were not fully covering these gaps).

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32.2 The perimeter walls and doors of the electrical cupboards / risers in the communal lobbies generally appeared to have suitable fire resistance (some riser doors were FD60 and some were FD60S).

At the time of the assessment, contractors were conducting fire stopping works in the lobby riser cupboards (to seal penetrations between the subsections of these cupboards), and also the risers accessed from the ground floor plant areas (to seal service penetrations and damaged riser cupboard doors).

Redundant locks on riser doors had been sealed on the outside of the doors only. To achieve the necessary fire resistance the redundant riser door locks should be sealed on both sides.

The 6th floor riser cupboard door had been compromised where the former lock had been removed, leaving a void in the door, whilst a 5th floor riser door had an excessive gap around the lock.

- 32.4 Housekeeping in the plant rooms was considered acceptable. There was some combustible storage in the risers located off the ground floor Caretakers area.
- 32.8 There were damaged or non-closing bin chute hoppers on several floors. Considered moderate fire risk as alternative stairway available. "Rodding point" plates also poorly sealed on some floors.

#### Photo File





