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## Freedom of Information request reference number: 6754.1

Date of response: 23/08/2022

#### **Request:**

Please accept this as a request to see all documentation provided and received by LFB relating to the estate known as Royal Artillery Quays, London SE28. The estate is situated on Erebus Drive on the border of Woolwich and Thamesmead. I am particularly keen to see all documentation relating to recommendations and directions given to all those with an interest in the estate, including land owners and managing agents in respect to the fire safety of the estate. I am keen to see all recommendations and requirements made by LFB on the interested parties for upgrading and changing the fire safety of the buildings. I am keen to see all inspection reports undertaken by LFB on the safety of the buildings. Residents now have to accept random fire alarm tests with new sounders in their properties at 100db, without notice from the estate management company. The sounders are being tested weekly, at times that are not appropriate or known by residents. As such the properties are being made uninhabitable at certain times. The estate management company claim reliance upon directions from LfB for the installation of this equipment and the testing of the equipment. The estate managers have to date not provided any evidence of this directive from LfB. If such exists, please also provide this as part of your response.

## **Response:**

In response, the LFB are not responsible for recommending or instructing management companies (or other responsible persons) to install a common alarm system to reduce or remove the need for a waking watch.

This was a recommendation from The Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government's (formerly the Department for Communities and Local Government) in June 2017 to implement interim mitigating measures to ensure the safety of residents, pending replacement of the cladding.

Each building with a waking watch has a bespoke implementation of measures suggested by the NFCC (National Fire Chiefs Council) guidance, depending on its individual design and existing provisions (for example, waking watches are not just used for ACM cladding, they can be implemented because of other fire safety reasons such as compartmentation issues, etc).

Further information, and links to the <u>NFCC guidance</u>, can by found on the LFB website, using the following link: <u>https://www.london-fire.gov.uk/news/2022-news/january/brigade-clarifies-implementation-of-waking-watches-and-other-interim-fire-safety-measures/</u>.

The LFB Fire Safety Regulatory (FSR) team will engage with the Responsible Person (RP) for the premises to ensure that they have assessed their measures and are happy they are in compliance with this guidance. The responsibility for these measures sits with the RP for each building. If any issues are raised, then LFB staff can engage with the RP in order to rectify these issues with their interim measures.

The table below shows the dates of the most recent Fire Safety Audits undertaken by the Fire Safety Regulatory (FSR) team at the buildings which make up Royal Artillery Quays, London SE28. Please note, the last fire safety audit conducted at Tideslea Tower was in 2020. I have provided links to the published outcome of this Tideslea Tower audit (and earlier year audits) further down in this response.

Premises	Fire Safety Audit Date	Overall safety standard	Enforcement action
Albert House	19/01/2022	Broadly compliant	None
Albert House	19/03/2021	Broadly compliant	None
Bendish Point	19/01/2022	Broadly compliant	None
Bendish Point	19/03/2021	Broadly compliant	None
Cumberland House	19/01/2022	Broadly compliant	None
Cumberland House	19/03/2021	Broadly compliant	None
Granary Mansions	09/12/2021	Broadly compliant	None
Granary Mansions	18/03/2021	Broadly compliant	None
Sark Tower	09/12/2021	Low Risk	<ul> <li>The result of the audit confirmed that some fire safety matters require attention to reduce the risk of fire and/or reasonably ensure the safety of people using the premises and these matters need to be addressed in order to comply with Regulatory Reform (Fire Safety) Order 2005 (the Fire Safety Order). As a result, an informal notification of (fire safety) deficiencies (NOD) was issued for the premises.</li> <li>When issuing a NOD the expectation is that the issues are minor enough that they can be rectified without needing any formal intervention from the LFB (which is different to an Enforcement Notice). As such, it would be for the Responsible Person(s) of the premises to be satisfied the deficiencies noted are addressed appropriately and within the recommend time frame. The LFB will then check these issues when the property is visited at the next routine inspection (according to the level of risk).</li> </ul>
Sark Tower	18/03/2021	Broadly compliant	None
Tidlock House	29/03/2022	Broadly compliant	None
Tidlock House	19/03/2021	Broadly compliant	None

Wyatt Point	22/03/2022	Low Risk	<ul> <li>The result of the audit confirmed that some fire safety matters require attention to reduce the risk of fire and/or reasonably ensure the safety of people using the premises and these matters need to be addressed in order to comply with Regulatory Reform (Fire Safety) Order 2005 (the Fire Safety Order). As a result, an informal notification of (fire safety) deficiencies (NOD) was issued for the premises.</li> <li>When issuing a NOD the expectation is that the issues are minor enough that they can be rectified without needing any formal intervention from the LFB (which is different to an Enforcement Notice). As such, it would be for the Responsible Person(s) of the premises to be satisfied the deficiencies noted are addressed appropriately and within the recommend time frame. The LFB will then check these issues when the property is visited at the next routine inspection (according to the level of risk).</li> </ul>
Wyatt Point	18/03/2021	Broadly compliant	None

I have attached a copy of the audit reports for these recent audits to this response, apart from the audit of Sark Tower or 09/12/2021 and Wyatt Point on 22/03/2022. For these two audits, I have attached a copy of the informal notification of (fire safety) deficiencies (NOD) letter issued for the premises.

Personal data has been removed from the attached documents under section 40 of the FOIA - Personal Information.

Where a Fire Safety audit results in a notice being issued by the LFB, the reports themselves are exempt from release under the FOIA provisions under <u>Section 31 of the FOIA</u> - law enforcement (Section 31(1)(g) combined with 31(2) (a) and 31(2) (c)). This information should be protected from publication to preserve the safe space for good regulation principles where any withheld information could be used at a later date as part of formal enforcement action or prosecution where the materials go to demonstrate the behaviour, actions or omissions of the responsible person.

When the LFB identifies any safety concerns, we make this information available to the public by supplying copies of any informal notification of fire safety deficiencies (NOD) issued, and through access to <u>the public register</u> of any formal enforcement action. We clearly understand that there is public interest and concern about knowing about the fire safety of the buildings in which people live, work or visit however we need to maintain a balance between the public interest in safety and the Brigade's ability to work with responsible persons in a safe space where honest, frank and meaningful discussions can take place.

It is important that enforcing authorities are assisted in their investigations if witnesses and those responsible for compliance with regulations are willing to cooperate with the investigation on a voluntary basis and investigators are able to take full contemporaneous notes (that are recorded on the audit forms) and enter in discussions (either verbally, or by correspondence) with those involved to enable them to explore all aspects of the case and then arrive at a decision as to the appropriate action to take.

We do also hold the following recent correspondence between the LFB and Rendall and Rittner (the estate manager of Royal Artillery Quays):

Date of Email	Content
17/11/2021	FireCon Fire Risk Assessment (FRA) for Granary Mansions, Sark Tower and Wyatt Point.
	Firetechnics Systems Ltd Dry Riser Mains – Certificate of Inspection & Test for Albert House, Bendish Point, Cumberland House, Granary
	Mansions, Tideslea Tower, Tidlock House, Sark Tower and Wyatt Point.
	OTIS Service Visit Report (lifts) for Granary Mansions, Sark Tower and Wyatt Point.

This correspondence is exempt from release under the FOIA provisions under <u>Section 31 of the FOIA - law enforcement</u> (Section 31(1)(g) combined with 31(2) (a) and 31(2) (c)).

The LFB freely provide the outcome of Fire Safety Audits and notices issued under freedom of information act. Other materials (including email correspondence and detailed notes), documents (such as documents provided to us by the responsible person for the building) and other fire safety information held by the Brigade will usually be exempt from access via the FOIA provisions.

We are of the view that the correct balance between the public interest in building safety and our ongoing regulatory involvement lies in making information about enforcement action available (formal or informal) to those that request it, but in withholding the supporting information and evidence gathered during regulation activities.

The Fire Safety Regulation information held for earlier years can be found in the earlier FOI requests we have published below:

Reference number	Date of Response	Content	Link to published FOI response
FOIA5447.1	14/01/2021	Royal Artillery Quays, Erebus Drive, SE28. Waking watch information.	https://www.london-fire.gov.uk/media/6930/20210114_54471_response.pdf
FOIA5390.1	14/01/2021	Royal Artillery Quays, Erebus Drive, SE28. Fire Safety Audit (FSA) outcomes March and April <mark>2020</mark> .	https://www.london-fire.gov.uk/media/6934/20210114_53901_response.pdf
FOIA5012.1	31/03/2020	Royal Artillery Quays, Erebus Drive, SE28. Fire Safety Audit (FSA) outcomes January <mark>2019</mark> . Copies of Informal notice of fire safety deficiencies (NOD) letters issued to Rendall & Rittner Limited.	https://www.london-fire.gov.uk/media/6933/20200331_50121_response.pdf
FOIA4466.1	08/07/2019	Royal Artillery Quays, Erebus Drive, SE28. Analysis of insulation and render samples (14 November <mark>2018</mark> ) and cladding investigation document (15 November <mark>2018</mark> ).	https://www.london-fire.gov.uk/media/6932/20190708_44661_response.pdf

We have dealt with your request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000. For more information about this process please see the guidance we publish about making a request <u>on our website</u>.



# **Fire Safety Audit Report**

Audit Information	
Audited By	
Audit Completed	19 March 2021
Location summary	
File No	94/183095
UPRN	10010220012
Building Name	Albert House
Address	ALBERT HOUSE
	EREBUS DRIVE
	THAMESMEAD
	SE28 0GN
Borough	Greenwich
Use	D - Purpose Built Flats>=4 floors
Responsible Team	FSR Greenwich & Bexley
Station Ground	E25 - Plumstead
Site Risk Score	5.00
Total Floors	9 Basement floors 0
Estimated number of sleeping	0
Special Features	
Additional detail	Ground floor level car park. The car park area is only for this premises.
	Plant rooms, main electrical intake and lift motor room for the premises
	are in the ground floor car park area.
	Dry rising main inlet can be found at the entrance to the main section (middle section) and serves an outlet on all floors except the ground floor
	in the lobby areas outside of flats also only for the main section (middle
	section) of the premises.
	Fireman's lift available and has its own power supply and serves all floors.
	Only available in the main section (middle section) of the premises.
	Automatic ventilation system fitted in the form of automatic opening
	doors in the premises connected to the fire alarm panel in the main lobby
	and entrance to the premises. (Middle Section)
	Floor layout is as follows: Lower Ground floor, Upper Ground Floor, 1st,
	2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th, 6th and 7th.
	The premises has a common alarm system. This is not current linked to
	every flat. However, this work has been agreed and is due to be started
	soon.
	Concrete cladding over the whole external of the premises is not
	sufficient.
	Waking watch externally patrolling the premises. 1 Waking watch during
	the day and 2 at night.
	Premises information box in the main section (middle section) of the
	premises in the entrance lobby. These hold plans and keys to the
	premises.
	The building management team RAQ are located on the estate. This
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	concierge is available to all blocks on Erebus Drive and can be located at Tideslea Tower.
Premises Description	The property is a purpose built block of flats. Primarily built of concrete. Currently the property has insufficient identified cladding over the external walls of the premises. A common alarm system is fitted in the premises. However, a linked system to every flat has just been approved and work is to begin shortly. The premises has a waking watch patrolling externally the premises 24 hours a day. The property operates on an electronic access control system. The premises is one main column and two side annex's. The left and right side annex have their own entrance and is not linked to the main middle column in terms of entry access, but is linked to the same alarm system. Each annex is 3 storeys in height and has automatic opening windows in the staircase and only contain six flats each. The main section of the premises is the middle section which is 9 storeys in height, has automatic opening doors in the lobbies outside of flats, has access to the Dry rising main and fireman's lift and contains 34 flats. There is also a ground floor car park. The ground floor car park area holds plant rooms serving the property, which include a water pump room and electrical intake. The site has adequate access for fire service vehicles and hydrants are provided outside of the premises in the road. NONE
Features assisting fire spread	NONE
Site Reinspection date	23 April 2023
Heritage Building	No
Petroleum redevelopment?	No
Known firesetting in area?	No
Site lone worker risk	0
Property Detail (DEFAULT I	PROPERTY
Occupier Contact Address	Default Property
Address	
	EREBUS DRIVE
	THAMESMEAD
	SE28 0GN
Responsible team	FSR Greenwich & Bexley
Occupancy Type	Sole Occupier
Property Use	D - Purpose Built Flats>=4 floors
Valuation Office	R3 - Flats/Mais 4 Flrs and over PB
Original Risk Score	5.00
<b>Reinspection Date</b>	23 April 2023
Last Inspection	5 March 2021
Total Canacity	0

Total Capacity Maximum number of people Property Size for use

Medium 5001m<sup>2</sup> to 8300m<sup>2</sup>

0

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Environmental Risks	NONE	
Occupant Mobility	Average	
Fire Loading	Average	
Additional detail		
Specific lone worker risk		
Primary Authority Partnership	N/A	

# Protection Data (SHARED)

Fire Protection & Warning	Adequate
Unwanted fire signals count	0
AFD remote monitoring	YES
Smoke ventilation	Natural
Covers MOE/Common areas?	Yes
Sprinklers Installed?	No
Access for fire-fighting	Average
Water supplies	Above average
Special Features	
# Fire fighting shafts	0
Engineered solution?	No
Trade off measures?	No
Evacuation type	Simultaneous Evacuation
History of fires?	No

# Contacts

Occupier	
Name Address	Default Property ALBERT HOUSE EREBUS DRIVE THAMESMEAD SE28 0GN
Managing Agent	
Name Address	Rendall & Rittner 13B St George Wharf London SW8 2LE
Telephone Email	@rendallandrittner.co.uk
On Site Representativ	e - NEW
Name Responsible Person Position Address	Royal Artillery Quays Estate Manager Tideslea Tower, Erebus Drive, London SE28 0GF
Telephone Email	Estate.Manager@TheRAQ.co.uk

www.rendallandrittner.co.uk

@rendallandrittner.co.uk

Telephone Email URL

# **Enforcement** history

# Articles

# Article 9 - Risk assessment

SAFETY CRITICAL Safety Evaluation Broadly Compliant

Verbal Advice Given

## Observations

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At the time of the audit there was evidence that the fire risk assessment was suitable and sufficient for the premises. The fire risk assessment was clear and in date from 27/01/21 and is subject to a new fire risk assessment being completed every year, therefore a new fire risk assessment is not due until 27/01/22. A clear and suitable emergency plan is in place and evidenced by fire safety notices and adopts a simultaneous evacuation, this is due to the premises having been identified as having external cladding and insulation issues and following investigation, the external cladding was found not to comply and is therefore being assessed to be replaced/remediated as part of an ongoing project. The planning application and application for local government grants is currently in process. In the meantime a temporary fire alarm system and 'waking watch' patrolling externally has been put in place. Residents have been made aware of the changes to the building and the evacuation strategy.

I noted at the time of my audit that the fire risk assessment did not make note of a fire alarm system with sounders incorporated. However, these are active and working.

I advised that once the fire alarm system has been upgraded to a full system including the flats that another fire risk assessment will need to be completed. I advised to call the risk assessor to make them aware of the system that is currently in place and update this as soon as possible.

# **Article 11 - Fire Safety Arrangements**

SAFETY CRITICAL Safety Evaluation Broadly Compliant

#### Observations

There is a proactive attitude to fire safety which is evident in the correct maintenance works carried out and use of signs to residents in how to protect themselves and be safe in the event of a fire.

There is a system in place to report fire safety issues and deficiencies and ensure remedial works are implemented in a timely manner by a competent person.

Some of the significant findings of the fire risk assessment have been either addressed or are in the process of being addressed.

## Article 13 - Detection and warning

SAFETY CRITICAL Safety Evaluation Broadly Compliant

# Observations

At the time of my audit there are smoke detectors located in the premises and in the lobby area outside of flats and in common areas that will activate the automatic opening ventilation in these areas and flat Lobby to remove smoke from these areas. The system is suitable and sufficient for the type of premises and the risks associated with it. This system is linked to a fire alarm panel in the ground floor main lobby of the premises, which is linked to the concierge main panel. There are sounders in the common areas connected to this fire alarm panel, this has been put into place in line with MHCLG guidance when the cladding issues were identified. However, there is a current project that has just been approved to have sounders in the flats linked to this system. The premises also has waking watch present patrolling the premises externally as well as a concierge team on site. The current evacuation strategy is simultaneous evacuation.

#### Article 14 - Emergency routes and exits

SAFETY CRITICAL Safety Evaluation Broadly Compliant

#### **Observations**

At the time of the audit, all fire exits and emergency escape routes and lobby areas were clear. This will allow all Relevant Persons the ability to escape quickly and safely in event of a fire. There is one final exit door located in the premises, the fire exit door and escape route is of sufficient and adequate width for the number of people who may be required to use them. The fire exit doors on escape route opens in the correct direction for the number of people using the premises. The designated emergency escape route leads to an ultimate place of safety and all relevant persons are aware of the route.

#### Article 15 - Procedures for serious and imminent danger and for danger areas

SAFETY CRITICAL Safety Evaluation Broadly Compliant

#### **Observations**

At the time of the audit, there are appropriate procedures in place for evacuation in case of fire. The system in place is designed so that any incident is managed and to ensure the safe evacuation of all relevant persons. I confirmed with **solution** that the fire alarm panel in place in the building is working in conjunction with the AOV system throughout the building and sounders are present and linked to the fire alarm panel in the common areas. This system is in accordance to the MHCLG guidance which was implemented when cladding was identified. There is also a waking watch in place to patrol the premises externally and for reporting and identifying potential issues and to help in the event of evacuation of the premises. Currently plans have just been approved for sounders inside the flats to be fitted and linked to this system also.

All fire action notices in the premises are correct for simultaneous evacuation and evidence has been provided to residents of the evacuation strategy change.

## Article 17 - Maintenance

SAFETY CRITICAL<br/>Safety Evaluation<br/>Broadly CompliantObservations<br/>At the time of the audit the final exit doors, Fire doors and maintenance of such<br/>was in place in the premises. It was found that these were in good working<br/>order throughout the property. The provisions for fire safety and evacuation

procedure has already been implemented for the premises.

Article 21 - Trainin	<u>g</u>
SAFETY CRITICAL	Observations
Safety Evaluation Broadly Compliant	At the time of the audit there is evidence that suitable and sufficient training
	and instruction has been provided for all employees on the appropriate
	precautions and actions to be taken in order to safeguard themselves and other
	Relevant Persons.

# **Article 8 - General fire precautions**

Safety Evaluation Broadly Compliant

#### Observations

At the time of the audit there was no evidence to suggest any compartmentation issues. There were no cracks, holes or breaches identified in the compartments that I checked during the audit. It was evidenced that compartmentation issues had been completed, certificates for this and stickers of completed work are evidenced in the building.

# Article 10 - Principles of prevention to be applied

Safety Evaluation	Observations
Broadly Compliant	At the time of the audit, there was evidence of appropriate instructions to
	relevant persons, in the preventative measures for fire safety.
	All relevant persons are instructed of the need for avoiding risk, the prevention
	of a risk and the evaluation of an existing risk in order to safeguard themselves
	and other relevant persons.
	There is evidence that risk has been considered for the premises, as a
	competent person has carried out a suitable and sufficient risk assessment.

# Article 12 - Elimination or reduction of risks from dangerous substances

Safety Evaluation	Observations
Not Applicable	This article is not applicable due to being a residential block of flats.

# **Article 13 - Fire Fighting Equipment**

Safety Evaluation	Observations	
Broadly Compliant	There is no firefighting equipment provided due to this being a residential block	
	of flats.	

# Article 16 - Measures for dealing with dangerous substances affecting general fire precautions

Safety Evaluation Not Applicable Observations

This article does not apply due to being a residential block of flats.

# Article 18 - Safety assistance

Safety Evaluation	Observations
Broadly Compliant	At the time of the audit evidence was provided that a competent person had
	been appointed to carry out the fire risk assessment for the premises.
	The Fire Risk assessment details that only contractually competent persons will
	be hired with the sufficient training, knowledge, and experience and will be
	given the sufficient time and means to carry out their function in order to
	undertake any preventative and protective measures required for the premises.

# **Article 19 - Provision of information to employees**

Safety Evaluation	Observations
Broadly Compliant	The fire risk assessment not only identifies the risks to them but also the
	preventative and protective measures in place, which are required in order to
	ensure the safety of themselves and other relevant persons. Information is
	provided for all employees on the procedures and measures to be taken in the
	event of an emergency are provided to further inform employees of their
	responsibilities and actions.

# Article 20 - Provision of information to employers and the self employed from outside undertakings

Safety Evaluation Broadly Compliant	<ul> <li>Observations</li> <li>All staff and contractors who will work on the premises have to undergo training and have appropriate level of qualifications before undertaking any tasks.</li> <li>All contractors are to be informed of their responsibilities and action to take in the event of a fire related incident. The information given to outside employees are written and verbal instruction and this should be kept with the managing agent.</li> <li>They are informed of the preventative and protective measures in place and the procedures for the employees to follow encite in event of a fire.</li> </ul>
	procedures for the employee to follow onsite in event of a fire.

# Article 22 - Co-operation and co-ordination

## Safety Evaluation Broadly Compliant

#### Observations

There is evidence that RAQ team report back any issues to their overall client, Rendall and Rittner. Systems are then agreed upon and implemented through this chain of communication and recommendations.

# Article 23 - General duties of employees at work

#### Safety Evaluation Broadly Compliant

# Observations

There is policy and procedure to adhere to in reporting all issues to the managing agent Rendall and Rittner and a procedure to ensure that the issue is followed up and resolved.

# Article 37 - Fire fighters switches for luminous tube signs

Safety Evaluation	Observations
Not Applicable	Not applicable.

# Article 38 - Maintenance of measures provided for protection of fire fighters

**Safety Evaluation** Broadly Compliant

# Observations

The premises has a Dry rising main fitted to the premises. The inlet to this is located at the middle entrance and an outlet serves every floor in the protected lobbies outside of flats in the main section (middle section) of the premises only. The premises also has a fireman's lift with its own separate power supply and serves all floors, only in the main section (middle section) of the premises. The premises also has a premises information box located in the main section (middle section) of the premises, this holds plans and keys to the premises.

# Article 24 - Power to make regulations

Safety Evaluation Not Applicable **Observations** None

# **Article 27 - Powers of inspectors**

Safety Evaluation	Observations
Not Applicable	None

# **Article 29 - Current alterations notices**

Safety Evaluation	Observations
Not Applicable	None

# **Article 30 - Current enforcement notices**

Safety Evaluation	Observations
Not Applicable	None

# **Article 31 - Current prohibition notices**

Safety Evaluation	Observations	
Not Applicable	None	

# Article 32 - Offences

Safety Evaluation Not Applicable **Observations** None

Overall safety standard		
	Broadly Compliant	
Management compliance level		
Management Compliance Level	1 - Well above average	
Initial Expectation	Verbal action	
Considered EMM?	Yes	
Confirmed Action	Verbal action	

#### **Fire Safety Audit**

# Audit Conclusion

19/03/2021 14:40

This FSO1 audit was raised by team leader for me to complete from the BRR team. Prior to the audit I was able to complete the necessary research using Farynor, imapping, IMS, Companies house and primary authority. I was able to get in touch with the managing agents of the premises, Rendall and Rittner. They were able to provide me with information for the building. RAQ manages this building for them and reports any issues back to Rendall and Rittner. I was in touch with Senior property manager

and Estate manager for Royal Artillery Quays (RAQ) who were able to send me all relevant documentation and the fire risk assessment before completing my audit.

I was able to meet with **Example 1** from RAQ to discuss the audit with me. Due to the current covid-19 situation I conducted the audit on my own whilst also adhering to the social distancing measures and wearing of a face mask.

The audit was to be carried out in three parts. First was an inspection of all available records and information gathering. The second part of the audit was to carry out a full premises inspection. The third part of the audit was to carry out a conclusion.

At the time of the audit there was evidence that the fire risk assessment was suitable and sufficient for the premises. The fire risk assessment was clear and in date from 27/01/21 and is subject to a new fire risk assessment being completed every year, therefore a new fire risk assessment is not due until 27/01/22. A clear and suitable emergency plan is in place and evidenced by fire safety notices and adopts a simultaneous evacuation, this is due to the premises having been identified as having external cladding and insulation issues and following investigation, the external cladding was found not to comply and is therefore being assessed to be replaced/remediated as part of an ongoing project. The planning application and application for local government grants is currently in process. In the meantime a temporary fire alarm system and `waking watch' patrolling externally has been put in place.

I advised **to** have the fire risk assessment updated for the current system in place for the premises and once the full alarm system is in place to have this again updated on a new fire risk assessment.

I confirmed with **the fire alarm** panel in place in the premises is working in conjunction with the AOV system throughout the building and sounders are present and linked to the fire alarm panel in the common areas. This system is then linked to a main panel in the concierge office located at Tideslea Tower. There has been planning applications for the alarm system to be linked to each flat also and the works for this will soon be carried out to make sure a full alarm system is in place in the premises. This system is in accordance to the MHCLG guidance which was implemented when cladding issues were identified. There is also a waking watch in place to patrol the premises externally and in reporting and identifying potential issues and to help in the event of evacuation of the premises.

The fire action notices in the premises reflect the correct simultaneous evacuation strategy in place and residents are aware.

The second part of the audit was to carry out a full premises inspection.

I was able to audit all of the common parts of the premises.

I was unable to sample any flat front doors due to the covid restrictions. However, all the doors did look the same and no issues with these being fire doors is indicated on the fire risk assessment and should meet all minimum requirements.

No issues identified at the time of the audit.

I was able to audit all of the common areas of the premises.

The premises has an automatic opening ventilation in the lobby area outside of the flats in the form of automatic opening doors, which are designed to clear smoke from these areas and expelling it out of the building, enabling these areas to remain free from smoke and enable relevant persons to escape the premises if required. There is a premises information box located in the main entrance lobby which holds plans and keys to the premises.

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Lastly, I re-affirmed the issues which were identified. I informed **of** my findings and the enforcement process which we adhere too. I advised on remedial works that can be done to correct some of these issues identified. This has been followed up with an email confirming the areas identified and acknowledging that the building was Broadly Compliant with verbal advice given.

19/03/2021 14:40

Initial Expectation: Verbal action

# Verbal Advice Given

## Advice given on article(s) 9

Verbal advice given can be seen in article 9.

## **Other Authorities to notify**

None

# Weeks to Complete Work

N/A

# **Specific instructions for Admin to Action**

None

Compliance calculation & signature		
Compliance Level	1 - Well above average	
Property Risk Group	B - Sleeping familiar or Licensed Premises	
Life Risk	-2.2	
Actual Risk Score	4.68	
Risk Score	4.75	
Audit Timings		

Audit Duration	Travel Time	Post Audit Processing Duration
110	60	215



# **Fire Safety Audit Report**

Audit Information	
Audited By	
Audit Completed	18 March 2021
Location summary	
File No	94/183101
UPRN	10010220010
Building Name	GRANARY MANSIONS
Address	GRANARY MANSIONS
	EREBUS DRIVE
	THAMESMEAD
	SE28 0GN
Borough	Greenwich
Use	D - Purpose Built Flats>=4 floors
Responsible Team	FSR Greenwich & Bexley
Station Ground	E25 - Plumstead
Site Risk Score	5.00
Total Floors	12Basement floors 0
Estimated number of sleeping	0
Special Features	Premises Information Box (PIB)
Additional detail	The building has a single protected stair, leading to floor lobbies that provide access to flat entrance doors. Floor lobbies have Smoke detection for an AOV shaft. DRM installed with outlets on each floor within the lift lobby. Single fire fighter lift. Secure access via intercom or residents key fob.
Premises Description	Modern purpose built block of flats built in 2002, concrete construction, with insulation backed cement rendered facia and a flat roof. The building has a central tower of 12 storeys with two three storey blocks constructed, one either side. The premises benefits from an on site 24/7 manned concierge office, based at the lower ground floor level of Tideslea Tower, the office serves the 8 tower block estate. On the same floor there is a secure residents car park. Due to issues with the external wall system there is currently a waking watch on site. NONE
	NONE
Features assisting fire spread	NONE
Site Reinspection date Heritage Building Petroleum redevelopment? Known firesetting in area?	No No
Site lone worker risk	No.

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Property Detail (DEFAULT F	PROPERTY)	
Occupier Contact Address	Default Property GRANARY MANSIONS EREBUS DRIVE THAMESMEAD SE28 0GN	
Responsible team	FSR Greenwich & Bexley	
Occupancy Type	Sole Occupier	
Property Use	D - Purpose Built Flats>=4 floors	
Valuation Office	R3 - Flats/Mais 4 Flrs and over PB	
Original Risk Score	5.00	
Reinspection Date	N/A (SAMPLE)	
Last Inspection	17 February 2021	
Total Capacity	0	
Maximum number of people	>100	
Property Size for use	Large	
	8301m <sup>2</sup> to 10300m <sup>2</sup>	
Environmental Risks	NONE	
Occupant Mobility	Average	
Fire Loading	Average	
Additional detail		
Specific lone worker risk		
Primary Authority Partnership	N/A	

# Protection Data (SHARED)

Fire Protection & Warning	Adequate
Unwanted fire signals count	0
AFD remote monitoring	No
Smoke ventilation	Natural
Covers MOE/Common areas?	Yes
Sprinklers Installed?	No
Access for fire-fighting	Average
Water supplies	Average
Special Features	
# Fire fighting shafts	0
Engineered solution?	No
Trade off measures?	No
Evacuation type	Simultaneous Evacuation
History of fires?	No

# Contacts

Fire Safety Audit		Page 3 of 9
Occupier		
Name Address	Default Property GRANARY MANSIONS EREBUS DRIVE THAMESMEAD SE28 0GN	
Owner/Co-Owner - N	EW	
Name Address	Homeground Management Ltd Homeground Management Ltd PO Box 6433, London, W1A 2UZ.	
Email	@homegroundonline.com	
Managing Agent		
Name Position Address	Rendall& Rittner Ltd Company secretary 13B St. Georges Wharf, London, SW8 2LE.	
Telephone		
Other relevant contac	t station and s	
Name Responsible Person Position Address	Rendall& Rittner Ltd Senior Property Manager 13B St. Georges Wharf, London, SW8 2LE.	
Telephone Email	@rendalland rittner.co.uk	

# **Enforcement history**

# Articles

SAFETY CRITICAL	Observations
Safety Evaluation Broadly Compliant	Suitable and sufficient dated 27/01/21.
	Findings include:
	Items stored in the car park area awaiting removal by Local Authority.
	Linking of the common alarm system with the individual flats to alleviate the
	need for a waking watch
	Items identified in the EICC 5 year fixed electrical installation test are
	addressed
	That the responsible person is to conduct a fire door survey to ensure doors
	comply with current British Standards

# **Article 11 - Fire Safety Arrangements**

SAFETY CRITICAL Safety Evaluation Broadly Compliant

# Observations

Suitable management procedures in place.

# Article 13 - Detection and warning

# SAFETY CRITICAL Safety Evaluation Broadly Compliant Observations There is common alarm system installed in the premises but this is not linked in with the detectors in the individual flats. The RP is proposing to link these two alarm systems alarms so that the waking watch can be replaced with evacuation management procedures. Works to comply with current NFCC guidance.

Break glass call points, detectors and sounders are installed in the car park.

# Article 14 - Emergency routes and exits

SAFETY CRITICAL	Observations
Safety Evaluation Broadly Compliant	All common parts walked to final exits and were clear and available. Suitable
	and sufficient emergency lighting and signage installed. Automatic opening
	vents ( AOV's )installed on each floor lobby and at the head of the stairs. AOV's
	override provided in the entrance lobby. A number of flat front doors were
	sampled and all closed fully into door frames by the use of the positive action
	self-closure.

# Article 15 - Procedures for serious and imminent danger and for danger areas

SAFETY CRITICAL	Observations
Safety Evaluation Broadly Compliant	There is currently a 24/7 concierge at the premises along with a waking watch.
	The waking watch consists of:
	One staff member on duty from 07.00am - 19.00hrs Monday - Friday
	Two staff members 19.00 - 07.00am Monday - Friday
	Two staff members 24 hour weekends.
	Residents are aware that the building fire strategy is simultaneous evacuation.

# **Article 17 - Maintenance**

SAFETY CRITICAL
<b>Safety Evaluation</b>
Broadly Compliant

# Observations

Maintenance documentation provided for: Emergency lighting - 28/01/21 Automatic opening vents - 28/10/21 Lifts - 13/02/21 EICC 5 year fixed electrical installation - 04/03 20 Dry rising mains - 04/03/21

# Article 21 - Training

SAFETY CRITICALObservationsSafety EvaluationStaff trained to fire marshal level, with refresher training annually. Waking<br/>watch staff are equipped with mobile phone, hand held radio and air horn.

# **Article 8 - General fire precautions**

Safety Evaluation	Observations
Not Applicable	None

# Article 10 - Principles of prevention to be applied

Safety Evaluation Not Applicable **Observations** None

# Article 12 - Elimination or reduction of risks from dangerous substances

Safety Evaluation	Observations
Not Applicable	None

# **Article 13 - Fire Fighting Equipment**

Safety Evaluation Not Applicable **Observations** None

# Article 16 - Measures for dealing with dangerous substances affecting general fire

# precautions

Safety Evaluation Not Applicable **Observations** None

# Article 18 - Safety assistance

Safety Evaluation Broadly Compliant	Observations
	There is currently a 24/7 concierge at the premises along with a waking watch.
	The waking watch consists of:
	One staff member on duty from 07.00am - 19.00hrs Monday - Friday
	Two staff members 19.00 - 07.00am Monday - Friday
	Two staff members 24 hour weekends.
	Residents are aware that the building fire strategy is simultaneous evacuation.

# Article 19 - Provision of information to employees

Safety EvaluationObNot ApplicableNo

**Observations** None

# Article 20 - Provision of information to employers and the self employed from

# outside undertakings

Safety Evaluation	Observations
Not Applicable	None

# Article 22 - Co-operation and co-ordination

Safety Evaluation Not Applicable **Observations** None

# Article 23 - General duties of employees at work

Safety Evaluation Not Applicable **Observations** None

# Article 37 - Fire fighters switches for luminous tube signs

Safety Evaluation Not Applicable **Observations** None

## Article 38 - Maintenance of measures provided for protection of fire fighters

 Safety Evaluation
 Observations

 Broadly Compliant
 Premises information box installed in ground floor lobby and there are dry riser outlets in the lobby areas on each floor.

 Dry riser tested - 04/03/21.

#### Article 24 - Power to make regulations

Safety Evaluation Not Applicable **Observations** None

# **Article 27 - Powers of inspectors**

Safety Evaluation Not Applicable **Observations** None

# Article 29 - Current alterations notices

Safety Evaluation Not Applicable

**Confirmed Action** 

**Observations** None

# Article 30 - Current enforcement notices

Safety EvaluationObservationsNot ApplicableNone

# Article 31 - Current prohibition notices

Safety Evaluation	Observations
Not Applicable	None

Article 32 - Offences	
Safety Evaluation	Observations
Not Applicable	None

# Overall safety standard Broadly Compliant Management compliance level 1 - Well above average Management Compliance Level 1 - Well above average Initial Expectation Verbal action Considered EMM? Yes

Verbal action

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#### **Fire Safety Audit**

# Audit Conclusion

# 18/03/2021 14:38

Audited building as part of programmed work and was joined by Inspecting Officer site by the RP from Rendall and Rittner. . Was met on

Previous issues regarding lack of adequate fire stopping have been rectified. There is a waking watch in place but the RP is tendering for the common alarm system to link in with the alarms in individual flats. This is to replace the waking watch as per NFCC guidance. A number of flat front doors sampled and these all operated correctly.

18/03/2021 14:38 Initial Expectation: Verbal action

# Verbal Advice Given

# None given

# **Other Authorities to notify**

None

# **Weeks to Complete Work**

N/A

# **Specific instructions for Admin to Action**

Hello admin,

I could not change the fire safety team to Bexley and Greenwich.

Compliance calculation & signature		
Compliance Level	1 - Well above average	
Property Risk Group	B - Sleeping familiar or Licensed Premises	
Life Risk	1	
Actual Risk Score	5.03	
Risk Score	5.00	

# **Audit Timings**

Audit Duration	Travel Time	Post Audit Processing Duration
120	10	130

Fire Safety Audit



# **Fire Safety Audit Report**

Audit Information	
Audited By	
Audit Completed	18 March 2021
Location summary	
File No	94/183102
UPRN	10010220014
Building Name	SARK TOWER
Address	SARK TOWER
	EREBUS DRIVE
	THAMESMEAD
	SE28 0GN
Borough	Greenwich
Use	D - Purpose Built Flats>=4 floors
Responsible Team	FSR Greenwich & Bexley
Station Ground	E25 - Plumstead
Site Risk Score	5.00
Total Floors	17Basement floors 0
Estimated number of sleeping	0
Special Features	Premises Information Box (PIB)
Additional detail	To each side of the main entrance are 2 smaller blocks each of 3 floors with independent access. To the left are flats 1-4 and 13 &14. To the right 11 & 12 and 21 & 22. Each small block has AOV and emergency
	lighting. Single stair means of escape, AOV's with manual overrides, ground and top floor.
Premises Description	Modern purpose built block of 66 self-contained, built in 2002, concrete construction, with insulation backed cement rendered facia and a flat roof. The building has a central tower of 17 storeys with two three storey blocks constructed, one either side. The premises has a 24/7 manned concierge office, located at the lower ground floor level of Tideslea Tower, that's serves the 8 tower block estate. On the same floor there is a secure residents car park. The central tower has a single protected stair, leading to a lift lobby on each storey that provides access to the flat front doors. A single fire fighting lift is installed, smoke detector operated AOV and DRM outlet on each floor. There is currently a waking watch on site due to issues with the external wall system.
Environmental Risks	NONE
Features assisting fire spread	NONE
Site Reinspection date	
Heritage Building	No
Petroleum redevelopment?	No
Known firesetting in area?	No

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Site lone worker risk	No.
Property Detail (DEFAULT I	PROPERTY)
Occupier Contact Address	Default Property SARK TOWER EREBUS DRIVE THAMESMEAD SE28 0GN
Responsible team Occupancy Type Property Use Valuation Office Original Risk Score Reinspection Date Last Inspection Total Capacity Maximum number of people Property Size for use	FSR Greenwich & Bexley Sole Occupier D - Purpose Built Flats>=4 floors R3 - Flats/Mais 4 Flrs and over PB 5.00 N/A (SAMPLE) 17 February 2021 0 ▶100 Large 8301m <sup>2</sup> to 10300m <sup>2</sup>
Environmental Risks	NONE
Occupant Mobility	Average
Fire Loading	Average
Additional detail	
Specific lone worker risk	
Primary Authority Partnership	N/A

# Protection Data (SHARED)

Fire Protection & Warning	Adequate
Unwanted fire signals count	0
AFD remote monitoring	No
Smoke ventilation	Natural
Covers MOE/Common areas?	Yes
Sprinklers Installed?	No
Access for fire-fighting	Average
Water supplies	Above average
Special Features	
# Fire fighting shafts	0
Engineered solution?	No
Trade off measures?	No
Evacuation type	Simultaneous Evacuation
History of fires?	No

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Occupier		
Name Address	Default Property SARK TOWER EREBUS DRIVE THAMESMEAD SE28 0GN	
<b>Owner/Co-Owner - NEW</b>		
Name Address Email	Homeground Management Ltd Homeground Management Ltd PO Box 6433, London, W1A 2UZ. @homegroundonline.com	
Managing Agent - NEW		
Name Position Address	Rendall and Rittner Company secretary 13B St. Georges Wharf, London, SW8 2LE.	
Telephone		
Other relevant contact - I	NEW	
Name Responsible Person Position Address	Rendall and Rittner Senior property manager 13B St. Georges Wharf, London,	
Telephone	W8 2LE.	

# **Enforcement history**

# Articles

SAFETY CRITICAL Safety Evaluation	Observations
Broadly Compliant	Suitable and sufficient dated 27/01/21.
	Findings include:
	Items stored in the car park area awaiting removal by Local Authority.
	Linking of the common alarm system with the individual flats to alleviate the
	need for a waking watch
	Items identified in the EICC 5 year fixed electrical installation test are addressed
	That the responsible person is to conduct a fire door survey to ensure doors comply with current British Standards

# **Article 11 - Fire Safety Arrangements**

SAFETY CRITICAL Safety Evaluation Broadly Compliant **Observations** None

# Article 13 - Detection and warning

#### SAFETY CRITICAL Safety Evaluation Broadly Compliant

#### Observations

There is common alarm system installed in the premises but this is not linked in with the detectors in the individual flats. The RP is proposing to link these two alarm systems alarms so that the waking watch can be replaced with evacuation management procedures.

Break glass call points, detectors and sounders are installed in the car park.

# Article 14 - Emergency routes and exits

SAFETY CRITICAL	Observations
Safety Evaluation Broadly Compliant	All common parts walked to final exits and were clear and available. Suitable
	and sufficient emergency lighting and signage installed. Automatic opening
	vents ( AOV's )installed on each floor lobby and at the head of the stairs. AOV's
	override provided in the entrance lobby. A number of flat front doors were
	sampled and all closed fully into door frames by the use of the positive action
	self-closure.

# Article 15 - Procedures for serious and imminent danger and for danger areas

SAFETY CRITICAL	Observations
Safety Evaluation	There is currently a 24/7 concierge at the premises along with a waking watch.
Broadly Compliant	The waking watch consists of:
	One staff member on duty from 07.00am - 19.00hrs Monday - Friday
	Two staff members 19.00 - 07.00am Monday - Friday
	Two staff members 24 hour weekends.
	Residents are aware that the building fire strategy is simultaneous evacuation.

#### Article 17 - Maintenance

SAFETY CRITICAL Safety Evaluation Broadly Compliant

# Observations

Maintenance documentation provided for: Emergency lighting - 28/01/21 Automatic opening vents - 28/10/21 Lifts - 13/02/21 EICC 5 year fixed electrical installation - 04/03 20 Dry rising mains - 04/03/21

# Article 21 - Training

SAFETY CRITICAL Safety Evaluation Broadly Compliant

#### Observations

Staff trained to fire marshal level, with refresher training annually. Waking watch staff are equipped with mobile phone, hand held radio and air horn.

# **Article 8 - General fire precautions**

Safety Evaluation	Observations
Not Applicable	None

# Article 10 - Principles of prevention to be applied

Safety Evaluation Not Applicable **Observations** None

# Article 12 - Elimination or reduction of risks from dangerous substances

Safety Evaluation Not Applicable **Observations** None

# **Article 13 - Fire Fighting Equipment**

Safety Evaluation	Observations
Not Applicable	None

# Article 16 - Measures for dealing with dangerous substances affecting general fire precautions

Safety Evaluation	Observations	
Not Applicable	None	

# Article 18 - Safety assistance

Safety Evaluation	Observations
Broadly Compliant	There is currently a 24/7 concierge at the premises along with a waking watch.
	The waking watch consists of:
	One staff member on duty from 07.00am - 19.00hrs Monday - Friday
	Two staff members 19.00 - 07.00am Monday - Friday
	Two staff members 24 hour weekends.
	Residents are aware that the building fire strategy is simultaneous evacuation.

# **Article 19 - Provision of information to employees**

Safety Evaluation Not Applicable **Observations** None

# Article 20 - Provision of information to employers and the self employed from

outside undertakings	
Safety Evaluation	Observations
Not Applicable	None

# Article 22 - Co-operation and co-ordination

Safety Evaluation Not Applicable **Observations** None

# Article 23 - General duties of employees at work

Safety Evaluation Not Applicable **Observations** None

# Article 37 - Fire fighters switches for luminous tube signs

Safety Evaluation Not Applicable

**Observations** None

# Article 38 - Maintenance of measures provided for protection of fire fighters

Safety Evaluation Broadly Compliant

# Observations

Premises information box installed in ground floor lobby and there are dry riser outlets in the lobby areas on each floor. Dry riser tested - 04/03/21.

# Article 24 - Power to make regulations

Safety Evaluation	Observations
Not Applicable	None

## **Article 27 - Powers of inspectors**

Safety Evaluation	Observations
Not Applicable	None

# Article 29 - Current alterations notices

Safety Evaluation	Observations
Not Applicable	None

# Article 30 - Current enforcement notices

Safety Evaluation Not Applicable **Observations** None

# **Article 31 - Current prohibition notices**

Safety Evaluation Not Applicable **Observations** None

# Article 32 - Offences

Safety Evaluation Not Applicable **Observations** None

# **Overall safety standard**

Broadly Compliant		
Management compliance level		
Management Compliance Level	1 - Well above average	
Initial Expectation	Verbal action	
Considered EMM?	Yes	
Confirmed Action	Verbal action	
Audit Conclusion		
18/03/2021 12:17		
Audited building as part of programmed	d work and was joined by Inspecting Officer	
site by the RP from Rendall	and Rittner.	
Previous issues regarding lack of adequate fire stopping have been rectified. There is a waking watch in place		
but the RP is tendering for the commor	alarm system to link in with the alarms in individual flats. This is to	
replace the waking watch as per NFCC guidance. A number of flat front doors sampled and these all operated		
correctly.		
18/03/2021 12:17		
Initial Expectation: Verbal action		
Verbal Advice Given		
None given		
Other Authorities to notify		
None		

**Weeks to Complete Work** 

N/A

# **Specific instructions for Admin to Action**

Hello admin,

was unable to change fire safety team to Bexley and Greenwich.

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Compliance calculation & signature		
Compliance Level	1 - Well above average	
Property Risk Group	B - Sleeping familiar or Licensed Premises	
Life Risk	1	
Actual Risk Score	5.03	
Risk Score	5.00	
Audit Timings		

Travel Time

Audit Duration 120

Post Audit Processing Duration 130



#### **Fire Safety Audit Report**

Audit Information	
Audited By	
Audit Completed	9 December 2021
Location summary	
File No	94/183101
UPRN	10010220010
Building Name	GRANARY MANSIONS
Address	GRANARY MANSIONS
	EREBUS DRIVE
	THAMESMEAD
	SE28 0GN
Borough	Greenwich
Use	D - Purpose Built Flats>=4 floors
Responsible Team	FSR Greenwich & Bexley
Station Ground	E25 - Plumstead
Site Risk Score	5.00
Total Floors	12Basement floors 0
Estimated number of sleeping	0
Special Features	Premises Information Box (PIB)
<u>Additional detail</u>	The building has a single protected stair, leading to floor lobbies that provide access to flat entrance doors. Floor lobbies have Smoke detection for an AOV shaft. DRM installed with outlets on each floor within the lift lobby. Secure access via intercom or residents key fob. Granary Mansions is located at Erebus Drive, London SE28 0GH. It is a residential property of 12 floors. The property consists of lower ground level, upper ground level and levels 1-10. There are 57 apartments located from the upper ground level to level 10. Level 10 provides access to the roof via a fixed ladder sited in the riser cupboard. The main lobby, car park and plant rooms are located at lower ground level. A fire fighting lift serves from the lower ground level to level 10.
Premises Description	Modern purpose built block of flats built in 2002, concrete construction, with insulation backed cement rendered facia and a flat roof. The building has a central tower of 12 storeys with two, three storey blocks constructed, one either side. The premises benefits from an on site 24/7 manned concierge office, based at the lower ground floor level of Tideslea Tower, the office serves the 8 tower block estate. On the same floor there is a secure residents car park. Due to issues with the external wall system there is currently a waking watch on site. NONE
Features assisting fire spread	NONE

Site Reinspection date Heritage Building 18 March 2024 No

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Petroleum redevelopment?	No
Known firesetting in area?	No
Site lone worker risk	No.

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Property Detail (DEFAULT F	PROPERTY)
Occupier Contact Address	Default Property GRANARY MANSIONS EREBUS DRIVE THAMESMEAD SE28 0GN
Responsible team	FSR Greenwich & Bexley
Occupancy Type	Sole Occupier
Property Use	D - Purpose Built Flats>=4 floors
Valuation Office	R3 - Flats/Mais 4 Flrs and over PB
Original Risk Score	5.00
Reinspection Date	18 March 2024
Last Inspection	5 November 2021
Total Capacity	0
Maximum number of people	>100
Property Size for use	Large
	8301m <sup>2</sup> to 10300m <sup>2</sup>
Environmental Risks	NONE
Occupant Mobility	Average
Fire Loading	Average
Additional detail	
Specific lone worker risk	No.
Primary Authority Partnership	N/A

#### Protection Data (SHARED)

Fire Protection & Warning	Adequate
Unwanted fire signals count	0
AFD remote monitoring	No
Smoke ventilation	Natural
Covers MOE/Common areas?	Yes
Sprinklers Installed?	No
Access for fire-fighting	Average
Water supplies	Average
Special Features	
# Fire fighting shafts	1
Engineered solution?	No
Trade off measures?	No
Evacuation type	Simultaneous Evacuation
History of fires?	No

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Contacts		
Occupier		
Name Address	Default Property GRANARY MANSIONS EREBUS DRIVE THAMESMEAD SE28 0GN	
Owner/Co-Owner		
Name Address	Homeground Management Ltd Homeground Management Ltd PO Box 6433 London <u>W1A</u> 2UZ	
Email	@homegroundonline.com	
Managing Agent		
Name Position Address	Rendall& Rittner Ltd The Company Secretary 13B St. Georges Wharf London SW8 2LE	
On Site Representativ	ve	
Name Responsible Person Position Address Telephone	Rendall & Rittner Ltd The Estate Manager Rendall & Rittner Ltd Royal Artillery Quays Tideslea Tower, Erebus Drive, London, SE28 0GF.	
Email	@theraq.co.uk	

#### **Enforcement history**

#### Articles

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SAFETY CRITICAL	Observations
Safety Evaluation Broadly Compliant	Suitable and sufficient fire risk assessment dated 26/01/21.
	Findings include:
	Articles not to be stored in the car park area outside of the bin room.
	Extend the automatic fire detection and sounders as per NFCC guidance so that
	the waking watch can be dispensed with.
	Numerous fire door sets are not compliant with the relevant British Standards
	EICC fixed wiring test has expired, however, RP states:
	" 5 yearly electrical tests, were "Unsatisfactory", however, Aircool electrical
	contractor completed works on 10.12.2020 ".

#### **Article 11 - Fire Safety Arrangements**

SAFETY CRITICAL Safety Evaluation Broadly Compliant

#### Observations

Suitable and sufficient management procedures in place.

#### Article 13 - Detection and warning

SAFETY CRITICAL	Observations
Safety Evaluation	Automatic fire detection and sounders installed in the common areas of the
Broadly Compliant	corridors to the flats and the car park areas. Break glass call points also
	installed. Fire risk assessment identifies the alarm system to be upgraded as
	per NFCC guidance and RP states:
	" integrated fire alarm systems into individual apartments, we are in the
	process of starting the works, planned mid-December 2021. Upon completion

Fire panel located in the block entrance lobby.

we are planning to remove the waking watch."

#### Article 14 - Emergency routes and exits

SAFETY CRITICAL Safety Evaluation Broadly Compliant	<ul> <li>Observations</li> <li>All common areas walked to final exits and were clear and available. Sufficient emergency lighting and signage installed. Automatic opening vents installed in corridors to flats and at head of stairs.</li> <li>A number of door sets have issues, but these addressed in the fire risk assessment. The RP states : <ul> <li>communal fire doors, Sandhurst Construction is currently working on rectifying the issues across all 8 blocks. The work is due to complete by the end of March 2022 ".</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
	Flat front door numbers 53, 48 and 37 sampled and doors closed fully into the door frames by use of the positive action self closers.

#### Article 15 - Procedures for serious and imminent danger and for danger areas

#### SAFETY CRITICAL Safety Evaluation Broadly Compliant

Observations

Suitable fire action notice displayed in the entrance lobby suitable for the simultaneous evacuation fire strategy.

#### Article 17 - Maintenance

SAFETY CRITICAL	Observations
Safety Evaluation Broadly Compliant	Lifts test date 19/10/21.
	Fire risk assessment states that testing and maintenance records are on the
	QUOODA system.

#### Article 21 - Training

SAFETY CRITICAL	Observations
Safety Evaluation Broadly Compliant	24/7 concierge on site and receives training on induction with yearly refresher
Broadly Compliant	training.

#### Article 8 - General fire precautions

Safety Evaluation	Observations
Not Applicable	None

#### Article 10 - Principles of prevention to be applied

Safety EvaluationObservationsNot ApplicableNone

#### Article 12 - Elimination or reduction of risks from dangerous substances

Safety Evaluation Not Applicable **Observations** None

#### **Article 13 - Fire Fighting Equipment**

Safety Evaluation	Observations
Broadly Compliant	Fire extinguisher test date 16/01/21.

## Article 16 - Measures for dealing with dangerous substances affecting general fire precautions

Safety Evaluation	Observations
Not Applicable	None

#### Article 18 - Safety assistance

Safety Evaluation<br/>Broadly CompliantObservations<br/>Waking watch on site 24/7 along with the concierge. One waking watch<br/>member day time and two members night time. These patrol the outside of the<br/>buildings. Equipped with hi viz vest, radios and phones. Air horns were with the<br/>concierge and I advised hat waking watch should be carrying them. When<br/>questioned, watch member knew actions to take in an emergency.

#### Article 19 - Provision of information to employees

Safety Evaluation Not Applicable **Observations** None

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### Article 20 - Provision of information to employers and the self employed from outside undertakings

Safety Evaluation Not Applicable **Observations** None

#### Article 22 - Co-operation and co-ordination

Safety EvaluationObservationsNot ApplicableNone

#### Article 23 - General duties of employees at work

Safety Evaluation Not Applicable **Observations** None

#### Article 37 - Fire fighters switches for luminous tube signs

Safety Evaluation Not Applicable **Observations** None

#### Article 38 - Maintenance of measures provided for protection of fire fighters

**Safety Evaluation** Broadly Compliant **Observations** Premises information box situated in the entrance lobby. This has a list of

Dry rising main test date 03/09/21.

#### Article 24 - Power to make regulations

Safety Evaluation Not Applicable **Observations** None

#### **Article 27 - Powers of inspectors**

Safety Evaluation	Observations
Not Applicable	None

#### **Article 29 - Current alterations notices**

Safety Evaluation	Observations
Not Applicable	None

#### **Article 30 - Current enforcement notices**

Safety Evaluation	Observations
Not Applicable	None

#### **Article 31 - Current prohibition notices**

Safety Evaluation	Observations	
Not Applicable	None	

#### Article 32 - Offences

Safety Evaluation Not Applicable **Observations** None

# Overall safety standardBroadly CompliantManagement compliance level1 - Well above averageInitial ExpectationVerbal actionConsidered EMM?YesConfirmed ActionVerbal action

#### Audit Conclusion

#### 09/12/2021 16:05

Audited as part of BRR work and met**er second and an end** on site. The fire risk assessment addressed some issues and e mail from RP states how these to be rectified (E mail uploaded to portal). Waking watch and simultaneous evacuation in place on site. Flat front doors I sampled 53,48 and 37 all closed into door frame by use of the positive action self closer.

#### 09/12/2021 16:03

Initial Expectation: Verbal action

#### Verbal Advice Given

None given

#### Other Authorities to notify

None

#### Weeks to Complete Work

N/A

#### Specific instructions for Admin to Action

None

Compliance Level	1 - Well above average	
Property Risk Group	B - Sleeping familiar or Lice	ensed Premises
Life Risk	1	
Actual Risk Score	5.03	
Risk Score	5.00	
udit Timings		
Audit Duration 130	<b>Travel Time</b> 10	Post Audit Processing Duration 140



#### **Fire Safety Audit Report**

Audit Information		
Audited By		
Audit Completed	19 March 2021	
Location summary		
File No	94/183098	
UPRN	10010220015	
Building Name	BENDISH POINT	
Address	BENDISH POINT	
	EREBUS DRIVE	
	THAMESMEAD	
	SE28 0GN	
Borough	Greenwich	
Use	D - Purpose Built Flats>=4 floors	
Responsible Team	FSR Greenwich & Bexley	
Station Ground	E25 - Plumstead	
Site Risk Score	5.00	
Total Floors	11   Basement floors 0	
Estimated number of sleeping	0	
Special Features	Premises Information Box (PIB)	
Additional detail	Ground floor level car park. The car park area is only for this premises.	
	Plant rooms, main electrical intake and lift motor room for the premises	
	are in the ground floor car park area. Dry rising main inlet can be found at the entrance to the main section	
	(middle section) and serves an outlet on all floors except the ground floor	
	in the lobby areas outside of flats also only for the main section (middle	
	section) of the premises. The dry rising outlets are behind a door in these	
	lobbies which is labelled correctly. These doors are on a master key. This	
	key can be found with the concierge or in the premises information box	
	within the premises.	
	Fireman's lift available and has its own power supply and serves all floors.	
	Only available in the main section (middle section) of the premises.	
	Automatic ventilation system fitted in the form of automatic opening	
	doors in the premises connected to the fire alarm panel in the main lobby	
	and entrance to the premises. (Middle Section)	
	Floor layout is as follows: Lower Ground floor, Upper Ground Floor, 1st,	
	2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th, 6th and 7th.	
	The premises has a common alarm system. This is not current linked to	
	every flat. However, this work has been agreed and is due to be started	
	soon.	
	Concrete cladding over the whole external of the premises is not	
	sufficient.	
	Waking watch externally patrolling the premises. 1 Waking watch during	
	the day and 2 at night.	
	Premises information box in the main section (middle section) of the	
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premises in the entrance lobby. These hold plans and keys to the premises.

The building management team RAQ are located on the estate. This concierge is available to all blocks on Erebus Drive and can be located at Tideslea Tower.

#### Premises Description The property is a purpose built block of flats. Primarily concrete build. Currently the property has insufficient identified cladding over the external walls of the premises. A common alarm system is fitted in the premises. However, a linked system to every flat has just been approved and work is to begin shortly. The premises has a waking watch patrolling externally the premises 24 hours a day. The property operates on an electronic access control system. The premises is one main column and two side annex's. The left and right side annex have their own entrance and is not linked to the main middle column in terms of entry access, but is linked to the same alarm system. Each annex is 3 storeys in height and has automatic opening windows in the staircase and only contain six flats each. The main section of the premises is the middle section which is 11 storeys in height, has automatic opening doors in the lobbies outside of flats, has access to the Dry rising main and fireman's lift and contains 55 flats. There is also a ground floor car park. The ground floor car park area holds plant rooms serving the property, which include a water pump room and electrical intake. The site has adequate access for fire service vehicles and hydrants are provided outside of the premises in the road. NONE **Environmental Risks** Features assisting fire spread NONE Site Reinspection date 6 April 2023 **Heritage Building** No **Petroleum redevelopment?** No Known firesetting in area? No

#### **Property Detail (DEFAULT PROPERTY)**

Site lone worker risk

Occupier Contact Address	Default Property BENDISH POINT EREBUS DRIVE
	THAMESMEAD
	SE28 0GN
Responsible team	FSR Greenwich & Bexley
Occupancy Type	Sole Occupier
Property Use	D - Purpose Built Flats>=4 floors
Valuation Office	R3 - Flats/Mais 4 Flrs and over PB
Original Risk Score	5.00
<b>Reinspection Date</b>	6 April 2023
Last Inspection	5 March 2021

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Total Capacity	0
Maximum number of people	>100
Property Size for use	Medium
	5001m <sup>2</sup> to 8300m <sup>2</sup>
Environmental Risks	NONE
Occupant Mobility	Average
Fire Loading	Average
Additional detail	
Specific lone worker risk	
Primary Authority Partnership	N/A

#### Protection Data (SHARED)

Fire Protection & Warning	Adequate
Unwanted fire signals count	0
AFD remote monitoring	YES
Smoke ventilation	Natural
Covers MOE/Common areas?	Yes
Sprinklers Installed?	No
Access for fire-fighting	Average
Water supplies	Above average
Special Features	
# Fire fighting shafts	0
Engineered solution?	No
Trade off measures?	No
Evacuation type	Simultaneous Evacuation
History of fires?	No

#### Contacts

Occupier	
Name Address	Default Property BENDISH POINT EREBUS DRIVE THAMESMEAD SE28 0GN
Managing Agent - I	NEW
Name Address	Rendall and Rittner 13B St George Wharf London SW8 2LE
Telephone Email	@rendallandrittner.co.uk

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On Site Representative - I	NEW	
Name Responsible Person Position Address	Royal Artillery Quays Estate Manager Tideslea Tower, Erebus Drive, London SE28 0GF	
Telephone Email	02083173149 Estate.Manager@TheRAQ.co.uk	
Other relevant contact - N	IEW	
Name Responsible Person Position Address	Rendall and Rittner Senior Property Manager 13B St George Wharf London SW8 2LE	
Telephone Email URL	@rendallandrittner.co.uk www.rendallandrittner.co.uk	

#### **Enforcement history**

#### Articles

#### Article 9 - Risk assessment

SAFETY CRITICAL	Observations
Safety Evaluation Broadly Compliant	At the time of the audit there was evidence that the fire risk assessment was
	suitable and sufficient for the premises. The fire risk assessment was clear and
Verbal Advice Given	in date from 28/01/21 and is subject to a new fire risk assessment being
	completed every year, therefore a new fire risk assessment is not due until

28/01/22. A clear and suitable emergency plan is in place and evidenced by fire safety notices and adopts a simultaneous evacuation, this is due to the premises having been identified as having external cladding and insulation issues and following investigation, the external cladding was found not to comply and is therefore being assessed to be replaced/remediated as part of an ongoing project. The planning application and application for local government grants is currently in process. In the meantime a temporary fire alarm system and 'waking watch' patrolling externally has been put in place. Residents have been made aware of the changes to the building and the

evacuation strategy.

I noted at the time of my audit that the fire risk assessment did not make note of a fire alarm system with sounders incorporated. However, these are active and working.

I advised that once the fire alarm system has been upgraded to a full system including the flats that another fire risk assessment will need to be completed. I advised to call the risk assessor to make them aware of the system that is currently in place and update this as soon as possible.

#### **Article 11 - Fire Safety Arrangements**

SAFETY CRITICAL Safety Evaluation Broadly Compliant

#### Observations

There is a proactive attitude to fire safety which is evident in the correct maintenance works carried out and use of signs to residents in how to protect themselves and be safe in the event of a fire.

There is a system in place to report fire safety issues and deficiencies and ensure remedial works are implemented in a timely manner by a competent person.

Some of the significant findings of the fire risk assessment have been either addressed or are in the process of being addressed.

#### Article 13 - Detection and warning

SAFETY CRITICAL Safety Evaluation Broadly Compliant

#### Observations

At the time of my audit there are smoke detectors located in the premises and in the lobby area outside of flats and in common areas that will activate the automatic opening ventilation in these areas and flat Lobby to remove smoke from these areas. The system is suitable and sufficient for the type of premises and the risks associated with it. This system is linked to a fire alarm panel in the ground floor main lobby of the premises, which is linked to the concierge main panel. There are sounders in the common areas connected to this fire alarm panel, this has been put into place in line with MHCLG guidance when the cladding issues were identified. However, there is a current project that has just been approved to have sounders in the flats linked to this system. The premises also has waking watch present patrolling the premises externally as well as a concierge team on site. The current evacuation strategy is simultaneous evacuation.

#### Article 14 - Emergency routes and exits

SAFETY CRITICAL Safety Evaluation Broadly Compliant

#### Observations

At the time of the audit, all fire exits and emergency escape routes and lobby areas were clear. This will allow all Relevant Persons the ability to escape quickly and safely in event of a fire. There is one final exit door located in the premises, the fire exit door and escape route is of sufficient and adequate width for the number of people who may be required to use them. The fire exit doors on escape route opens in the correct direction for the number of people using the premises. The designated emergency escape route leads to an ultimate place of safety and all relevant persons are aware of the route. I did note at the time of my audit in the right hand side annex on the top floor there was a bicycle in the hallway outside of flats that could impede means of escape.

Verbal Advice Given

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Article 14 (continued)

I advised

all times.

to remind residents that means of escape must remain clear at

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#### Article 15 - Procedures for serious and imminent danger and for danger areas

SAFETY CRITICAL Safety Evaluation Broadly Compliant

#### Observations

At the time of the audit, there are appropriate procedures in place for evacuation in case of fire. The system in place is designed so that any incident is managed and to ensure the safe evacuation of all relevant persons. I confirmed with **fire** that the fire alarm panel in place in the building is working in conjunction with the AOV system throughout the building and sounders are present and linked to the fire alarm panel in the common areas. This system is in accordance to the MHCLG guidance which was implemented when cladding was identified. There is also a waking watch in place to patrol the premises externally and for reporting and identifying potential issues and to help in the event of evacuation of the premises. Currently plans have just been approved for sounders inside the flats to be fitted and linked to this system also.

All fire action notices in the premises are correct for simultaneous evacuation and evidence has been provided to residents of the evacuation strategy change.

#### **Article 17 - Maintenance**

SAFETY CRITICAL Safety Evaluation Broadly Compliant	Observations
	At the time of the audit the final exit doors, Fire doors and maintenance of such
	was in place in the premises. It was found that these were in good working
	order throughout the property. The provisions for fire safety and evacuation
	procedure has already been implemented for the premises.

#### Article 21 - Training

SAFETY CRITICAL<br/>Safety Evaluation<br/>Broadly CompliantObservationsAt the time of the audit there is evidence that suitable and sufficient training<br/>and instruction has been provided for all employees on the appropriate<br/>precautions and actions to be taken in order to safeguard themselves and other

Relevant Persons.

#### **Article 8 - General fire precautions**

Safety Evaluation Broadly Compliant

#### Observations

At the time of the audit there was no evidence to suggest any compartmentation issues. There were no cracks, holes or breaches identified in the compartments that I checked during the audit. It was evidenced that compartmentation issues had been completed, certificates for this and stickers of completed work are evidenced in the building.

#### Article 10 - Principles of prevention to be applied

Safety Evaluation	Observations
Broadly Compliant	At the time of the audit, there was evidence of appropriate instructions to
	relevant persons, in the preventative measures for fire safety.
	All relevant persons are instructed of the need for avoiding risk, the prevention
	of a risk and the evaluation of an existing risk in order to safeguard themselves
	and other relevant persons.
	There is evidence that risk has been considered for the premises, as a
	competent person has carried out a suitable and sufficient risk assessment.

#### Article 12 - Elimination or reduction of risks from dangerous substances

Safety Evaluation	Observations
Not Applicable	This article is not applicable due to being a residential block of flats.

#### **Article 13 - Fire Fighting Equipment**

Safety Evaluation	Observations
Broadly Compliant	There is no firefighting equipment provided due to this being a residential block
	of flats.

# Article 16 - Measures for dealing with dangerous substances affecting general fire precautions

Safety Evaluation Not Applicable Observations

This article does not apply due to being a residential block of flats.

#### Article 18 - Safety assistance

Safety Evaluation	Observations
Broadly Compliant	At the time of the audit evidence was provided that a competent person had
	been appointed to carry out the fire risk assessment for the premises.
	The Fire Risk assessment details that only contractually competent persons will
	be hired with the sufficient training, knowledge, and experience and will be
	given the sufficient time and means to carry out their function in order to
	undertake any preventative and protective measures required for the premises.

#### **Article 19 - Provision of information to employees**

Safety Evaluation	Observations
Broadly Compliant	The fire risk assessment not only identifies the risks to them but also the
	preventative and protective measures in place, which are required in order to
	ensure the safety of themselves and other relevant persons. Information is
	provided for all employees on the procedures and measures to be taken in the
	event of an emergency are provided to further inform employees of their
	responsibilities and actions.

# Article 20 - Provision of information to employers and the self employed from outside undertakings

Safety Evaluation Broadly Compliant	<ul> <li>Observations</li> <li>All staff and contractors who will work on the premises have to undergo training and have appropriate level of qualifications before undertaking any tasks.</li> <li>All contractors are to be informed of their responsibilities and action to take in the event of a fire related incident. The information given to outside employees are written and verbal instruction and this should be kept with the managing agent.</li> <li>They are informed of the preventative and protective measures in place and the procedures for the employees to follow ensite in event of a fire.</li> </ul>
	procedures for the employee to follow onsite in event of a fire.

#### Article 22 - Co-operation and co-ordination

#### Safety Evaluation Broadly Compliant

#### Observations

There is evidence that RAQ team report back any issues to their overall client, Rendall and Rittner. Systems are then agreed upon and implemented through this chain of communication and recommendations.

#### Article 23 - General duties of employees at work

#### Safety Evaluation Broadly Compliant

#### Observations

There is policy and procedure to adhere to in reporting all issues to the managing agent Rendall and Rittner and a procedure to ensure that the issue is followed up and resolved.

#### Article 37 - Fire fighters switches for luminous tube signs

Safety Evaluation	Observations	
Not Applicable	Not applicable.	

#### Article 38 - Maintenance of measures provided for protection of fire fighters

**Safety Evaluation** Broadly Compliant

#### Observations

The premises has a premises information box located in the main section (middle section) of the premises, this holds plans and keys to the premises. The premises has a Dry rising main fitted to the premises. The inlet to this is located at the middle entrance and an outlet serves every floor in the protected lobbies outside of flats in the main section (middle section) of the premises only. The dry rising outlets are behind doors in these areas that can be accessed by a master key which is kept in the premises information box. The premises also has a fireman's lift with its own separate power supply and serves all floors, only in the main section (middle section) of the premises.

#### Article 24 - Power to make regulations

Safety Evaluation Not Applicable **Observations** None

#### **Article 27 - Powers of inspectors**

Safety Evaluation	Observations
Not Applicable	None

#### **Article 29 - Current alterations notices**

Safety Evaluation	Observations
Not Applicable	None

#### **Article 30 - Current enforcement notices**

Safety Evaluation	Observations
Not Applicable	None

#### **Article 31 - Current prohibition notices**

Safety Evaluation	Observations	
Not Applicable	None	

#### Article 32 - Offences

Safety Evaluation Not Applicable **Observations** None

Overall safety standard	
	Broadly Compliant
Management compliance level	
Management Compliance Level	1 - Well above average
Initial Expectation	Verbal action
Considered EMM?	Yes
Confirmed Action	Verbal action

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#### Audit Conclusion

19/03/2021 16:25

This FSO1 audit was raised by team leader **control of** for me to complete from the BRR team. Prior to the audit I was able to complete the necessary research using Farynor, imapping, IMS, Companies house and primary authority. I was able to get in touch with the managing agents of the premises, Rendall and Rittner. They were able to provide me with information for the building. RAQ manages this building for them and reports any issues back to Rendall and Rittner. I was in touch with Senior property manager

and Estate manager for Royal Artillery Quays (RAQ) who were able to send me all relevant documentation and the fire risk assessment before completing my audit.

I was able to meet with **Example 1** from RAQ to discuss the audit with me. Due to the current covid-19 situation I conducted the audit on my own whilst also adhering to the social distancing measures and wearing of a face mask.

The audit was to be carried out in three parts. First was an inspection of all available records and information gathering. The second part of the audit was to carry out a full premises inspection. The third part of the audit was to carry out a conclusion.

At the time of the audit there was evidence that the fire risk assessment was suitable and sufficient for the premises. The fire risk assessment was clear and in date from 28/01/21 and is subject to a new fire risk assessment being completed every year, therefore a new fire risk assessment is not due until 28/01/22. A clear and suitable emergency plan is in place and evidenced by fire safety notices and adopts a simultaneous evacuation, this is due to the premises having been identified as having external cladding and insulation issues and following investigation, the external cladding was found not to comply and is therefore being assessed to be replaced/remediated as part of an ongoing project. The planning application and application for local government grants is currently in process. In the meantime a temporary fire alarm system and `waking watch' patrolling externally has been put in place.

I advised **to** have the fire risk assessment updated for the current system in place for the premises and once the full alarm system is in place to have this again updated on a new fire risk assessment.

I confirmed with **the fire alarm** panel in place in the premises is working in conjunction with the AOV system throughout the building and sounders are present and linked to the fire alarm panel in the common areas. This system is then linked to a main panel in the concierge office located at Tideslea Tower. There has been planning applications for the alarm system to be linked to each flat also and the works for this will soon be carried out to make sure a full alarm system is in place in the premises. This system is in accordance to the MHCLG guidance which was implemented when cladding issues were identified. There is also a waking watch in place to patrol the premises externally and in reporting and identifying potential issues and to help in the event of evacuation of the premises.

The fire action notices in the premises reflect the correct simultaneous evacuation strategy in place and residents are aware.

The second part of the audit was to carry out a full premises inspection.

I was able to audit all of the common parts of the premises.

I was unable to sample any flat front doors due to the covid restrictions. However, all the doors did look the same and no issues with these being fire doors is indicated on the fire risk assessment and should meet all minimum requirements.

No major issues identified at the time of the audit. I did note that in the annex on the right of the building on the top floor had a bicycle in the means of escape that could impede the means of escape. I advised **to** have the resident remove this item and remind residents to keep these areas free and clear at all times. I was able to audit all of the common areas of the premises.

The premises has an automatic opening ventilation in the lobby area outside of the flats in the form of automatic opening doors, which are designed to clear smoke from these areas and expelling it out of the building, enabling these areas to remain free from smoke and enable relevant persons to escape the premises if required. There is a premises information box located in the main entrance lobby which holds

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plans and keys to the premises. The premises has a dry rising main to the main section of the premises and a fireman's lift that serves all floors.

Lastly, I re-affirmed the issues which were identified. I informed **constant** of my findings and the enforcement process which we adhere too. I advised on remedial works that can be done to correct some of these issues identified. This has been followed up with an email confirming the areas identified and acknowledging that the building was Broadly Compliant with verbal advice given.

#### 19/03/2021 16:25

Initial Expectation: Verbal action

#### Verbal Advice Given

Advice given on article(s) 9, 14

Verbal advice given can be seen in articles 9 and 14.

#### Other Authorities to notify

None

#### Weeks to Complete Work

N/A

#### Specific instructions for Admin to Action

None

Compliance calculation & signature	
Compliance Level	1 - Well above average
Property Risk Group	B - Sleeping familiar or Licensed Premises
Life Risk	-2.2
Actual Risk Score	4.68
Risk Score	4.75
Audit Timings	

Audit Duration	Travel Time	Post Audit Processing Duration
145	10	225



#### **Fire Safety Audit Report**

Audit Information	
Audited By	
Audit Completed	19 March 2021
Location summary	
File No	94/183103
UPRN	10010220016
Building Name	CUMBERLAND HOUSE
Address	CUMBERLAND HOUSE
	EREBUS DRIVE
	THAMESMEAD
	SE28 0GE
Borough	Greenwich
Use	D - Purpose Built Flats>=4 floors
Responsible Team	FSR Greenwich & Bexley
Station Ground	E25 - Plumstead
Site Risk Score	5.00
Total Floors	12Basement floors 0
Estimated number of sleeping	0
Special Features	Premises Information Box (PIB)
Additional detail	Ground floor level car park. The car park area is only for this premises.
	Plant rooms, main electrical intake and lift motor room for the premises
	are in the ground floor car park area.
	Dry rising main inlet can be found at the entrance to the main section
	(middle section) and serves an outlet on all floors except the ground floor
	in the lobby areas outside of flats also only for the main section (middle
	section) of the premises. The dry rising outlets are behind a door in these
	lobbies which is labelled correctly. These doors are on a master key. This key can be found with the concierge or in the premises information box
	within the premises.
	Fireman's lift available and has its own power supply and serves all floors.
	Only available in the main section (middle section) of the premises.
	Automatic ventilation system fitted in the form of automatic opening
	doors in the premises connected to the fire alarm panel in the main lobby
	and entrance to the premises. (Middle Section)
	Floor layout is as follows: Lower Ground floor, Upper Ground Floor, 1st,
	2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th, 6th, 7th, 8th, 9th and 10th.
	The premises has a common alarm system. This is not current linked to
	every flat. However, this work has been agreed and is due to be started
	soon.
	Concrete cladding over the whole external of the premises is not
	sufficient.
	Waking watch externally patrolling the premises. 1 Waking watch during
	the day and 2 at night.
	Premises information box in the main section (middle section) of the
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premises in the entrance lobby. These hold plans and keys to the premises.

The building management team RAQ are located on the estate. This concierge is available to all blocks on Erebus Drive and can be located at Tideslea Tower.

#### Premises Description The property is a purpose built block of flats. Primarily concrete build. Currently the property has insufficient identified cladding over the external walls of the premises. A common alarm system is fitted in the premises. However, a linked system to every flat has just been approved and work is to begin shortly. The premises has a waking watch patrolling externally the premises 24 hours a day. The property operates on an electronic access control system. The premises is one main column and two side annex's. The left and right side annex have their own entrance and is not linked to the main middle column in terms of entry access, but is linked to the same alarm system. Each annex is 3 storeys in height and has automatic opening windows in the staircase and only contain six flats each. The main section of the premises is the middle section which is 12 storeys in height, has automatic opening doors in the lobbies outside of flats, has access to the Dry rising main and fireman's lift and contains 57 flats. There is also a ground floor car park. The ground floor car park area holds plant rooms serving the property, which include a water pump room and electrical intake. The site has adequate access for fire service vehicles and hydrants are provided outside of the premises in the road. NONE **Environmental Risks** Features assisting fire spread NONE Site Reinspection date 13 April 2023 **Heritage Building** No **Petroleum redevelopment?** No Known firesetting in area? No

#### **Property Detail (DEFAULT PROPERTY)**

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Occupier Contact	Default Property
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	THAMESMEAD
	SE28 0GE
Responsible team	FSR Greenwich & Bexley
Occupancy Type	Sole Occupier
Property Use	D - Purpose Built Flats>=4 floors
Valuation Office	R3 - Flats/Mais 4 Flrs and over PB
Original Risk Score	5.00
<b>Reinspection Date</b>	13 April 2023
Last Inspection	5 March 2021

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Total Capacity	0
Maximum number of people	>100
Property Size for use	Medium
	5001m <sup>2</sup> to 8300m <sup>2</sup>
Environmental Risks	NONE
Occupant Mobility	Average
Fire Loading	Average
Additional detail	
Specific lone worker risk	
Primary Authority Partnership	N/A

#### Protection Data (SHARED)

Fire Protection & Warning	Adequate
Unwanted fire signals count	0
AFD remote monitoring	YES
Smoke ventilation	Natural
Covers MOE/Common areas?	Yes
Sprinklers Installed?	No
Access for fire-fighting	Average
Water supplies	Above average
Special Features	
# Fire fighting shafts	0
Engineered solution?	No
Trade off measures?	No
Evacuation type	Simultaneous Evacuation
History of fires?	No

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Occupier	
Name Address	Default Property CUMBERLAND HOUSE EREBUS DRIVE THAMESMEAD SE28 0GE
Managing Agent -	NEW
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Telephone Email	@rendallandrittner.co.uk

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On Site Representative - I	NEW	
Name Responsible Person Position Address	Royal Artillery Quays Estate Manager Tideslea Tower, Erebus Drive, London SE28 0GF	
Telephone Email	@TheRAQ.co.uk	
Other relevant contact - N	IEW	
Name Responsible Person Position Address	Rendall and Rittner Senior Property Manager 13B St George Wharf London SW8 2LE	
Telephone Email URL	@rendallandrittner.co.uk www.rendallandrittner.co.uk	

#### **Enforcement history**

#### Articles

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evacuation strategy.

I noted at the time of my audit that the fire risk assessment did not make note of a fire alarm system with sounders incorporated. However, these are active and working.

I advised that once the fire alarm system has been upgraded to a full system including the flats that another fire risk assessment will need to be completed. I advised to call the risk assessor to make them aware of the system that is currently in place and update this as soon as possible.

#### **Article 11 - Fire Safety Arrangements**

SAFETY CRITICAL Safety Evaluation Broadly Compliant

#### Observations

There is a proactive attitude to fire safety which is evident in the correct maintenance works carried out and use of signs to residents in how to protect themselves and be safe in the event of a fire.

There is a system in place to report fire safety issues and deficiencies and ensure remedial works are implemented in a timely manner by a competent person.

Some of the significant findings of the fire risk assessment have been either addressed or are in the process of being addressed.

#### Article 13 - Detection and warning

SAFETY CRITICAL Safety Evaluation Broadly Compliant

#### Observations

At the time of my audit there are smoke detectors located in the premises and in the lobby area outside of flats and in common areas that will activate the automatic opening ventilation in these areas and flat Lobby to remove smoke from these areas. The system is suitable and sufficient for the type of premises and the risks associated with it. This system is linked to a fire alarm panel in the ground floor main lobby of the premises, which is linked to the concierge main panel. There are sounders in the common areas connected to this fire alarm panel, this has been put into place in line with MHCLG guidance when the cladding issues were identified. However, there is a current project that has just been approved to have sounders in the flats linked to this system. The premises also has waking watch present patrolling the premises externally as well as a concierge team on site. The current evacuation strategy is simultaneous evacuation.

#### Article 14 - Emergency routes and exits

SAFETY CRITICAL Safety Evaluation Broadly Compliant

#### **Observations**

At the time of the audit, all fire exits and emergency escape routes and lobby areas were clear. This will allow all Relevant Persons the ability to escape quickly and safely in event of a fire. There is one final exit door located in the premises, the fire exit door and escape route is of sufficient and adequate width for the number of people who may be required to use them. The fire exit doors on escape route opens in the correct direction for the number of people using the premises. The designated emergency escape route leads to an ultimate place of safety and all relevant persons are aware of the route.

#### Article 15 - Procedures for serious and imminent danger and for danger areas

SAFETY CRITICAL Safety Evaluation Broadly Compliant

#### **Observations**

At the time of the audit, there are appropriate procedures in place for evacuation in case of fire. The system in place is designed so that any incident is managed and to ensure the safe evacuation of all relevant persons. I confirmed with **solution** that the fire alarm panel in place in the building is working in conjunction with the AOV system throughout the building and sounders are present and linked to the fire alarm panel in the common areas. This system is in accordance to the MHCLG guidance which was implemented when cladding was identified. There is also a waking watch in place to patrol the premises externally and for reporting and identifying potential issues and to help in the event of evacuation of the premises. Currently plans have just been approved for sounders inside the flats to be fitted and linked to this system also.

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#### Article 17 - Maintenance

SAFETY CRITICAL<br/>Safety Evaluation<br/>Broadly CompliantObservations<br/>At the time of the audit the final exit doors, Fire doors and maintenance of such<br/>was in place in the premises. It was found that these were in good working<br/>order throughout the property. The provisions for fire safety and evacuation

procedure has already been implemented for the premises.

Article 21 - Trainin	<u>g</u>
SAFETY CRITICAL Safety Evaluation Broadly Compliant	Observations
	At the time of the audit there is evidence that suitable and sufficient training
	and instruction has been provided for all employees on the appropriate
	precautions and actions to be taken in order to safeguard themselves and other
	Relevant Persons.

#### **Article 8 - General fire precautions**

Safety Evaluation Broadly Compliant

#### Observations

At the time of the audit there was no evidence to suggest any compartmentation issues. There were no cracks, holes or breaches identified in the compartments that I checked during the audit. It was evidenced that compartmentation issues had been completed, certificates for this and stickers of completed work are evidenced in the building.

#### Article 10 - Principles of prevention to be applied

Safety Evaluation	Observations
Broadly Compliant	At the time of the audit, there was evidence of appropriate instructions to
	relevant persons, in the preventative measures for fire safety.
	All relevant persons are instructed of the need for avoiding risk, the prevention
	of a risk and the evaluation of an existing risk in order to safeguard themselves
	and other relevant persons.
	There is evidence that risk has been considered for the premises, as a
	competent person has carried out a suitable and sufficient risk assessment.

#### Article 12 - Elimination or reduction of risks from dangerous substances

Safety Evaluation	Observations
Not Applicable	This article is not applicable due to being a residential block of flats.

#### **Article 13 - Fire Fighting Equipment**

Safety Evaluation	Observations
Broadly Compliant	There is no firefighting equipment provided due to this being a residential block
	of flats.

# Article 16 - Measures for dealing with dangerous substances affecting general fire precautions

Safety Evaluation Not Applicable Observations

This article does not apply due to being a residential block of flats.

#### Article 18 - Safety assistance

Safety Evaluation	Observations
Broadly Compliant	At the time of the audit evidence was provided that a competent person had
	been appointed to carry out the fire risk assessment for the premises.
	The Fire Risk assessment details that only contractually competent persons will
	be hired with the sufficient training, knowledge, and experience and will be
	given the sufficient time and means to carry out their function in order to
	undertake any preventative and protective measures required for the premises.

#### **Article 19 - Provision of information to employees**

Safety Evaluation	Observations
Broadly Compliant	The fire risk assessment not only identifies the risks to them but also the
	preventative and protective measures in place, which are required in order to
	ensure the safety of themselves and other relevant persons. Information is
	provided for all employees on the procedures and measures to be taken in the
	event of an emergency are provided to further inform employees of their
	responsibilities and actions.

# Article 20 - Provision of information to employers and the self employed from outside undertakings

Safety Evaluation Broadly Compliant	<ul> <li>Observations</li> <li>All staff and contractors who will work on the premises have to undergo training and have appropriate level of qualifications before undertaking any tasks.</li> <li>All contractors are to be informed of their responsibilities and action to take in the event of a fire related incident. The information given to outside employees are written and verbal instruction and this should be kept with the managing agent.</li> <li>They are informed of the preventative and protective measures in place and the procedures for the employees to follow ensite in event of a fire.</li> </ul>
	procedures for the employee to follow onsite in event of a fire.

#### Article 22 - Co-operation and co-ordination

#### Safety Evaluation Broadly Compliant

#### Observations

There is evidence that RAQ team report back any issues to their overall client, Rendall and Rittner. Systems are then agreed upon and implemented through this chain of communication and recommendations.

#### Article 23 - General duties of employees at work

#### Safety Evaluation Broadly Compliant

#### Observations

There is policy and procedure to adhere to in reporting all issues to the managing agent Rendall and Rittner and a procedure to ensure that the issue is followed up and resolved.

#### Article 37 - Fire fighters switches for luminous tube signs

Safety Evaluation	Observations
Not Applicable	Not applicable.

#### Article 38 - Maintenance of measures provided for protection of fire fighters

**Safety Evaluation** Broadly Compliant

#### Observations

The premises has a premises information box located in the main section (middle section) of the premises, this holds plans and keys to the premises. The premises has a Dry rising main fitted to the premises. The inlet to this is located at the middle entrance and an outlet serves every floor in the protected lobbies outside of flats in the main section (middle section) of the premises only. The dry rising outlets are behind doors in these areas that can be accessed by a master key which is kept in the premises information box. The premises also has a fireman's lift with its own separate power supply and serves all floors, only in the main section (middle section) of the premises.

#### Article 24 - Power to make regulations

Safety Evaluation Not Applicable **Observations** None

#### **Article 27 - Powers of inspectors**

Safety Evaluation	Observations
Not Applicable	None

#### **Article 29 - Current alterations notices**

Safety Evaluation	Observations
Not Applicable	None

#### **Article 30 - Current enforcement notices**

Safety Evaluation	Observations
Not Applicable	None

#### **Article 31 - Current prohibition notices**

Safety Evaluation	Observations	
Not Applicable	None	

#### Article 32 - Offences

Safety Evaluation Not Applicable **Observations** None

Overall safety standard				
	Broadly Compliant			
Management compliance level				
Management Compliance Level	1 - Well above average			
Initial Expectation	Verbal action			
Considered EMM?	Yes			
Confirmed Action	Verbal action			

#### **Fire Safety Audit**

#### Audit Conclusion

19/03/2021 17:39

This FSO1 audit was raised by team leader **control of** for me to complete from the BRR team. Prior to the audit I was able to complete the necessary research using Farynor, imapping, IMS, Companies house and primary authority. I was able to get in touch with the managing agents of the premises, Rendall and Rittner. They were able to provide me with information for the building. RAQ manages this building for them and reports any issues back to Rendall and Rittner. I was in touch with Senior property manager

and Estate manager for Royal Artillery Quays (RAQ) who were able to send me all relevant documentation and the fire risk assessment before completing my audit.

I was able to meet with **Example 1** from RAQ to discuss the audit with me. Due to the current covid-19 situation I conducted the audit on my own whilst also adhering to the social distancing measures and wearing of a face mask.

The audit was to be carried out in three parts. First was an inspection of all available records and information gathering. The second part of the audit was to carry out a full premises inspection. The third part of the audit was to carry out a conclusion.

At the time of the audit there was evidence that the fire risk assessment was suitable and sufficient for the premises. The fire risk assessment was clear and in date from 28/01/21 and is subject to a new fire risk assessment being completed every year, therefore a new fire risk assessment is not due until 28/01/22. A clear and suitable emergency plan is in place and evidenced by fire safety notices and adopts a simultaneous evacuation, this is due to the premises having been identified as having external cladding and insulation issues and following investigation, the external cladding was found not to comply and is therefore being assessed to be replaced/remediated as part of an ongoing project. The planning application and application for local government grants is currently in process. In the meantime a temporary fire alarm system and `waking watch' patrolling externally has been put in place.

I advised **to** have the fire risk assessment updated for the current system in place for the premises and once the full alarm system is in place to have this again updated on a new fire risk assessment.

I confirmed with **the fire alarm** panel in place in the premises is working in conjunction with the AOV system throughout the building and sounders are present and linked to the fire alarm panel in the common areas. This system is then linked to a main panel in the concierge office located at Tideslea Tower. There has been planning applications for the alarm system to be linked to each flat also and the works for this will soon be carried out to make sure a full alarm system is in place in the premises. This system is in accordance to the MHCLG guidance which was implemented when cladding issues were identified. There is also a waking watch in place to patrol the premises externally and in reporting and identifying potential issues and to help in the event of evacuation of the premises.

The fire action notices in the premises reflect the correct simultaneous evacuation strategy in place and residents are aware.

The second part of the audit was to carry out a full premises inspection.

I was able to audit all of the common parts of the premises.

I was unable to sample any flat front doors due to the covid restrictions. However, all the doors did look the same and no issues with these being fire doors is indicated on the fire risk assessment and should meet all minimum requirements.

No issues identified at the time of the audit.

I was able to audit all of the common areas of the premises.

The premises has an automatic opening ventilation in the lobby area outside of the flats in the form of automatic opening doors, which are designed to clear smoke from these areas and expelling it out of the building, enabling these areas to remain free from smoke and enable relevant persons to escape the premises if required. There is a premises information box located in the main entrance lobby which holds plans and keys to the premises. The premises has a dry rising main to the main section of the premises and a fireman's lift that serves all floors.

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Lastly, I re-affirmed the issues which were identified. I informed **of** my findings and the enforcement process which we adhere too. I advised on remedial works that can be done to correct some of these issues identified. This has been followed up with an email confirming the areas identified and acknowledging that the building was Broadly Compliant with verbal advice given.

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Initial Expectation: Verbal action

#### Verbal Advice Given

#### Advice given on article(s) 9

Verbal advice given can be seen in article 9.

#### **Other Authorities to notify**

None

#### Weeks to Complete Work

N/A

#### **Specific instructions for Admin to Action**

None

Compliance calculation & signature				
Compliance Level	1 - Well above average			
Property Risk Group	B - Sleeping familiar or Licensed Premises			
Life Risk	-2.2			
Actual Risk Score	4.68			
Risk Score	4.75			
Audit Timings				

Audit Duration	Travel Time	Post Audit Processing Duration
150	10	230



# **Fire Safety Audit Report**

Audit Information		
Audited By		
Audit Completed	19 March 2021	
Location summary		
File No	94/183105	
UPRN	10010220017	
Building Name	TIDLOCK HOUSE	
Address	TIDLOCK HOUSE	
	EREBUS DRIVE	
	THAMESMEAD	
	SE28 0GD	
Borough	Greenwich	
Use	D - Purpose Built Flats>=4 floors	
Responsible Team	FSR Greenwich & Bexley	
Station Ground	E25 - Plumstead	
Site Risk Score	5.00	
Total Floors	9 Basement floors 0	
Estimated number of sleeping	0	
Special Features		
Additional detail	Ground floor level car park. The car park area is only for this premises.	
	Plant rooms, main electrical intake and lift motor room for the premises	
	are in the ground floor car park area.	
	Dry rising main inlet can be found at the entrance to the main section	
	(right section) and serves an outlet on all floors except the ground floor in	
	the lobby areas outside of flats also only for the main section (right	
	section) of the premises.	
	Fireman's lift available and has its own power supply and serves all floors.	
	Only available in the main section (right section) of the premises.	
	Automatic ventilation system fitted in the form of automatic opening doors in the premises connected to the fire alarm panel in the main lobby	
	and entrance to the premises. (Right Section)	
	Automatic operating ventilation in the protected stairwell at the top of the	
	shaft. Manual override call point located in the protected stairwell at each	
	level. (Right section)	
	Floor layout is as follows: Lower Ground floor, Upper Ground Floor, 1st,	
	2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th, 6th and 7th.	
	The premises has a common alarm system. This is not current linked to	
	every flat. However, this work has been agreed and is due to be started	
	soon.	
	Concrete cladding over the whole external of the premises is not	
	sufficient.	
	Waking watch externally patrolling the premises. 1 Waking watch during	
	the day and 2 at night.	
	Premises information box in the main section (middle section) of the	

premises in the entrance lobby. These hold plans and keys to the premises.

The building management team RAQ are located on the estate. This concierge is available to all blocks on Erebus Drive and can be located at Tideslea Tower.

Premises Description	The property is a purpose built block of flats. Primarily built of concrete. Currently the property has insufficient identified cladding over the external walls of the premises. A common alarm system is fitted in the premises. However, a linked system to every flat has just been approved and work is to begin shortly. The premises has a waking watch patrolling externally the premises 24 hours a day. The property operates on an electronic access control system. The premises is one main column and one side annex's. The left side annex has its own entrance and is not linked to the main column in terms of entry access, but is linked to the same alarm system. The annex is 3 storeys in height and has automatic opening windows in the staircase and only contains six flats. The main section of the premises is the right section which is 9 storeys in height, has automatic opening doors in the lobbies outside of flats, has access to the Dry rising main and fireman's lift and contains 30 flats. There is also a ground floor car park. The ground floor car park area holds plant rooms serving the property, which include a water pump room and electrical intake. The site has adequate access for fire service vehicles and hydrants are provided outside of the premises in the road. NONE
Features assisting fire spread	NONE
Site Reinspection date Heritage Building Petroleum redevelopment? Known firesetting in area?	6 April 2023 No No No

# Property Detail (DEFAULT PROPERTY)

Site lone worker risk

Occupier Contact Address	Default Property TIDLOCK HOUSE EREBUS DRIVE THAMESMEAD SE28 0GD
Responsible team	FSR Greenwich & Bexley
Occupancy Type	Sole Occupier
Property Use	D - Purpose Built Flats>=4 floors
Valuation Office	R3 - Flats/Mais 4 Flrs and over PB
Original Risk Score	<u>5.00</u>
Reinspection Date	6 April 2023
Last Inspection	5 March 2021

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Total Capacity	0
Maximum number of people	20-100
Property Size for use	Medium
	5001m <sup>2</sup> to 8300m <sup>2</sup>
Environmental Risks	NONE
Occupant Mobility	Average
Fire Loading	Average
Additional detail	
Specific lone worker risk	
Primary Authority Partnership	N/A

# Protection Data (SHARED)

Fire Protection & Warning	Adequate
Unwanted fire signals count	0
AFD remote monitoring	No
Smoke ventilation	Natural
Covers MOE/Common areas?	Yes
Sprinklers Installed?	No
Access for fire-fighting	Average
Water supplies	Above average
Special Features	
# Fire fighting shafts	0
Engineered solution?	No
Trade off measures?	No
Evacuation type	Simultaneous Evacuation
History of fires?	No

# Contacts

Occupier	
Name Address	Default Property TIDLOCK HOUSE EREBUS DRIVE THAMESMEAD SE28 0GD
Managing Agent - N	EW
Name Address	Rendall and Rittner 13B St George Wharf London SW8 2LE
Telephone Email	@rendallandrittner.co.uk

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On Site Representative - I	NEW	
Name Responsible Person Position Address	Royal Artillery Quays Estate Manager Tideslea Tower, Erebus Drive, London SE28 0GF	
Telephone Email Other relevant contact - N	@TheRAQ.co.uk	
Name Responsible Person Position Address	Rendall and Rittner Lawal Senior Property Manager 13B St George Wharf London SW8 2LE	
Telephone Email	@rendallandrittner.co.uk	

#### **Enforcement history**

#### Articles

#### Article 9 - Risk assessment

SAFETY CRITICAL Safety Evaluation Broadly Compliant

#### Verbal Advice Given

#### Observations

At the time of the audit there was evidence that the fire risk assessment was suitable and sufficient for the premises. The fire risk assessment was clear and in date from 26/01/21 and is subject to a new fire risk assessment being completed every year, therefore a new fire risk assessment is not due until 26/01/22. A clear and suitable emergency plan is in place and evidenced by fire safety notices and adopts a simultaneous evacuation, this is due to the premises having been identified as having external cladding and insulation issues and following investigation, the external cladding was found not to comply and is therefore being assessed to be replaced/remediated as part of an ongoing project. The planning application and application for local government grants is currently in process. In the meantime a temporary fire alarm system and 'waking watch' patrolling externally has been put in place. Residents have been made aware of the changes to the building and the evacuation strategy.

I noted at the time of my audit that the fire risk assessment did not make note of a fire alarm system with sounders incorporated. However, these are active and working.

I advised that once the fire alarm system has been upgraded to a full system including the flats that another fire risk assessment will need to be completed. I advised to call the risk assessor to make them aware of the system that is currently in place and update this as soon as possible.

#### **Article 11 - Fire Safety Arrangements**

SAFETY CRITICAL Safety Evaluation Broadly Compliant

#### Observations

There is a proactive attitude to fire safety which is evident in the correct maintenance works carried out and use of signs to residents in how to protect themselves and be safe in the event of a fire.

There is a system in place to report fire safety issues and deficiencies and ensure remedial works are implemented in a timely manner by a competent person.

Some of the significant findings of the fire risk assessment have been either addressed or are in the process of being addressed.

#### Article 13 - Detection and warning

SAFETY CRITICAL Safety Evaluation Broadly Compliant

#### Observations

At the time of my audit there are smoke detectors located in the premises and in the lobby area outside of flats and in common areas that will activate the automatic opening ventilation in these areas and flat Lobby to remove smoke from these areas. The system is suitable and sufficient for the type of premises and the risks associated with it. This system is linked to a fire alarm panel in the ground floor main lobby of the premises, which is linked to the concierge main panel. There are sounders in the common areas connected to this fire alarm panel, this has been put into place in line with MHCLG guidance when the cladding issues were identified. However, there is a current project that has just been approved to have sounders in the flats linked to this system. The premises also has waking watch present patrolling the premises externally as well as a concierge team on site. The current evacuation strategy is simultaneous evacuation.

#### Article 14 - Emergency routes and exits

SAFETY CRITICAL Safety Evaluation Broadly Compliant

Verbal Advice Given

#### Observations

At the time of the audit, all fire exits and emergency escape routes and lobby areas were clear. This will allow all Relevant Persons the ability to escape quickly and safely in event of a fire. There is one final exit door located in the premises, the fire exit door and escape route is of sufficient and adequate width for the number of people who may be required to use them. The fire exit doors on escape route opens in the correct direction for the number of people using the premises. The designated emergency escape route leads to an ultimate place of safety and all relevant persons are aware of the route. I did note at the time of the audit that there was a buggy left out in the flat lobby on the 7th floor. I informed who made the concierge aware and to ask the resident to move this item into their home.

Article 14 (continued)

I advised **to** remind residents to keep all means of escape areas free and clear of items.

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#### Article 15 - Procedures for serious and imminent danger and for danger areas

SAFETY CRITICAL Safety Evaluation Broadly Compliant

#### **Observations**

At the time of the audit, there are appropriate procedures in place for evacuation in case of fire. The system in place is designed so that any incident is managed and to ensure the safe evacuation of all relevant persons. I confirmed with **solution** that the fire alarm panel in place in the building is working in conjunction with the AOV system throughout the building and sounders are present and linked to the fire alarm panel in the common areas. This system is in accordance to the MHCLG guidance which was implemented when cladding was identified. There is also a waking watch in place to patrol the premises externally and for reporting and identifying potential issues and to help in the event of evacuation of the premises. Currently plans have just been approved for sounders inside the flats to be fitted and linked to this system also.

All fire action notices in the premises are correct for simultaneous evacuation and evidence has been provided to residents of the evacuation strategy change.

#### Article 17 - Maintenance

SAFETY CRITICAL	<b>Observations</b>
Safety Evaluation	At the time of the audit the final exit doors, Fire doors and maintenance of such
Broadly Compliant	was in place in the premises. It was found that these were in good working
Verbal Advice Given	order throughout the property. The provisions for fire safety and evacuation procedure has already been implemented for the premises. I did note at the time of the audit that on the 4th floor landing the fire door to the protected stairs was wedged open. I informed who contacted the concierge team to address this. I advised to do regular checks on fire doors to make sure all are closed and operating as they should and that these are to remain shut.

#### **Article 21 - Training**

SAFETY CRITICAL Safety Evaluation Broadly Compliant

#### Observations

At the time of the audit there is evidence that suitable and sufficient training and instruction has been provided for all employees on the appropriate precautions and actions to be taken in order to safeguard themselves and other Relevant Persons.

#### Article 8 - General fire precautions

Safety Evaluation Broadly Compliant	Observations
	At the time of the audit there was no evidence to suggest any
	compartmentation issues. There were no cracks, holes or breaches identified in
	the compartments that I checked during the audit. It was evidenced that
	compartmentation issues had been completed, certificates for this and stickers
	of completed work are evidenced in the building.

#### Article 10 - Principles of prevention to be applied

Safety Evaluation Broadly Compliant	Observations
	At the time of the audit, there was evidence of appropriate instructions to
	relevant persons, in the preventative measures for fire safety.
	All relevant persons are instructed of the need for avoiding risk, the prevention
	of a risk and the evaluation of an existing risk in order to safeguard themselves
	and other relevant persons.
	There is evidence that risk has been considered for the premises, as a
	competent person has carried out a suitable and sufficient risk assessment.

#### Article 12 - Elimination or reduction of risks from dangerous substances

Safety Evaluation	Observations
Not Applicable	This article is not applicable due to being a residential block of flats.

#### **Article 13 - Fire Fighting Equipment**

#### Safety Evaluation Broadly Compliant

#### Observations

There is no firefighting equipment provided due to this being a residential block of flats.

# Article 16 - Measures for dealing with dangerous substances affecting general fire

#### precautions

Safety EvaluationObservationsNot ApplicableThis article does not apply due to being a residential block of flats.

#### Article 18 - Safety assistance

Safety Evaluation<br/>Broadly CompliantObservations<br/>At the time of the audit evidence was provided that a competent person had<br/>been appointed to carry out the fire risk assessment for the premises.<br/>The Fire Risk assessment details that only contractually competent persons will<br/>be hired with the sufficient training, knowledge, and experience and will be<br/>given the sufficient time and means to carry out their function in order to<br/>undertake any preventative and protective measures required for the premises.

#### Article 19 - Provision of information to employees

Safety Evaluation	Observations
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All staff and contractors who will work on the premises have to undergo training and have appropriate level of qualifications before undertaking any tasks. All contractors are to be informed of their responsibilities and action to take in the event of a fire related incident. The information given to outside employees are written and verbal instruction and this should be kept with the managing agent.

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Safety EvaluationObservationsBroadly CompliantThere is evidence that RAQ team report back any issues to their overall client,<br/>Rendall and Rittner. Systems are then agreed upon and implemented through<br/>this chain of communication and recommendations.

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#### Article 24 - Power to make regulations

Safety Evaluation	Observations
Not Applicable	None

#### **Article 27 - Powers of inspectors**

Safety Evaluation	Observations
Not Applicable	None

#### **Article 29 - Current alterations notices**

Safety Evaluation	Observations
Not Applicable	None

#### **Article 30 - Current enforcement notices**

Safety Evaluation	Observations
Not Applicable	None

#### **Article 31 - Current prohibition notices**

Safety Evaluation Not Applicable **Observations** None

#### Article 32 - Offences

Safety Evaluation Not Applicable **Observations** None

#### **Overall safety standard**

Broadly Compliant
1 - Well above average
Verbal action
Yes
Verbal action

#### Audit Conclusion

19/03/2021 15:16

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I confirmed with **the fire alarm** panel in place in the premises is working in conjunction with the AOV system throughout the building and sounders are present and linked to the fire alarm panel in the common areas. This system is then linked to a main panel in the concierge office located at Tideslea Tower. There has been planning applications for the alarm system to be linked to each flat also and the works for this will soon be carried out to make sure a full alarm system is in place in the premises. This system is in accordance to the MHCLG guidance which was implemented when cladding issues were identified. There is also a waking watch in place to patrol the premises externally and in reporting and identifying potential issues and to help in the event of evacuation of the premises.

The fire action notices in the premises reflect the correct simultaneous evacuation strategy in place and residents are aware.

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I was able to audit all of the common parts of the premises.

I was unable to sample any flat front doors due to the covid restrictions. However, all the doors did look the same and no issues with these being fire doors is indicated on the fire risk assessment and should meet all minimum requirements.

At the time of my audit the issues identified were:

- 7th floor lobby means of escape area had a buggy which could impede means of escape.
  - 4th floor fire door to protected staircase wedged open.

I was able to audit all of the common areas of the premises.

I advised **to** remind residents to keep all means of escape areas free and clear at all times and that fire doors must remain closed at all times. I also advised to have regular checks of fire doors.

The premises has an automatic opening ventilation in the lobby area outside of the flats in the form of automatic opening doors, which are designed to clear smoke from these areas and expelling it out of the

building, enabling these areas to remain free from smoke and enable relevant persons to escape the premises if required. There is a premises information box located in the main entrance lobby which holds plans and keys to the premises.

Lastly, I re-affirmed the issues which were identified. I informed **of** my findings and the enforcement process which we adhere too. I advised on remedial works that can be done to correct some of these issues identified. This has been followed up with an email confirming the areas identified and acknowledging that the building was Broadly Compliant with verbal advice given.

#### 19/03/2021 15:16

Initial Expectation: Verbal action

#### Verbal Advice Given

Advice given on article(s) 9, 17, 14

Verbal advice given can be seen in articles 9, 14 and 17.

#### Other Authorities to notify

None

#### Weeks to Complete Work

N/A

#### **Specific instructions for Admin to Action**

None

Compliance calculation & signature	
Compliance Level	1 - Well above average
Property Risk Group	B - Sleeping familiar or Licensed Premises
Life Risk	-2.1
Actual Risk Score	4.7
Risk Score	4.75
Audit Timings	

Audit Duration	Travel Time	Post Audit Processing Duration
90	10	195



# **Fire Safety Audit Report**

Audit Information	
Audited By	
Audit Completed	18 March 2021
Location summary	
File No	94/183096
UPRN	10010220011
Building Name	WYATT POINT
Address	WYATT POINT
	EREBUS DRIVE
	THAMESMEAD
	SE28 0GN
Borough	Greenwich
Use	D - Purpose Built Flats>=4 floors
Responsible Team	FSR Greenwich & Bexley
Station Ground	E25 - Plumstead
Site Risk Score	5.00
Total Floors	10Basement floors 0
Estimated number of sleeping	0
Special Features	Premises Information Box (PIB)
<u>Additional detail</u>	The building has a single protected stair, leading to floor lobbies that provide access to flat entrance doors. Floor lobbies have Smoke detection for an AOV shaft. DRM installed with outlets on each floor within the lift lobby. Single lift with FF override. Secure access via intercom or residents key fob.
Premises Description	Modern purpose built block of flats built in 2002, concrete construction, with insulation backed cement rendered facia and a flat roof. The building has a central tower of 10 storeys with two three storey blocks constructed, one either side. The premises benefits from an onsite 24/7 manned concierge office, based at the lower ground floor level of Tideslea Tower, the office serves the 8 tower block estate. On the same floor there is a secure residents car park. Due to issues with external wall system the building currently has a waking watch on site.
Environmental Risks	NONE
Features assisting fire spread	NONE
Site Reinspection date Heritage Building Petroleum redevelopment? Known firesetting in area? Site lone worker risk	21 January 2022 No No No.

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Property Detail (DEFAULT F	PROPERTY)	
Occupier Contact Address	Default Property WYATT POINT EREBUS DRIVE THAMESMEAD SE28 0GN	
Responsible team	FSR Greenwich & Bexley	
Occupancy Type	Sole Occupier	
Property Use	D - Purpose Built Flats>=4 floors	
Valuation Office	R3 - Flats/Mais 4 Flrs and over PB	
Original Risk Score	5.00	
Reinspection Date	21 January 2022	
Last Inspection	17 February 2021	
Total Capacity	0	
Maximum number of people	>100	
Property Size for use	Large 8301m <sup>2</sup> to 10300m <sup>2</sup>	
Environmental Risks	NONE	
Occupant Mobility	Average	
Fire Loading	Average	
Additional detail		
Specific lone worker risk		
Primary Authority Partnership	N/A	

# Protection Data (SHARED)

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Fire Protection & Warning	Adequate
Unwanted fire signals count	0
AFD remote monitoring	YES
Smoke ventilation	Natural
Covers MOE/Common areas?	Yes
Sprinklers Installed?	No
Access for fire-fighting	Average
Water supplies	Above average
Special Features	
# Fire fighting shafts	0
Engineered solution?	No
Trade off measures?	No
Evacuation type	Simultaneous Evacuation
History of fires?	No

#### Contacts

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Occupier Name Address	Default Property WYATT POINT EREBUS DRIVE THAMESMEAD SE28 0GN
Owner/Co-Owner - NEW Name Address	Homeground Management Ltd Homeground Management Ltd PO Box 6433, London, W1A 2UZ. @homegroundonline.com
Managing Agent	
Name Position Address	Rendall& Rittner Ltd Company secrteary 13B St. Georges Wharf, London, SW8 2LE.
Telephone	
On Site Representative	
Name Responsible Person Position Address	Rendall& Rittner Ltd Senior property manager 13B St. Georges Wharf, London, SW8 2LE.
Telephone Email	@rendalland rittner.co.uk

# **Enforcement history**

# Articles

SAFETY CRITICAL	Observations
Safety Evaluation	Suitable and sufficient dated 27/01/21.
Broadly Compliant	Findings include:
	Items stored in the car park area awaiting removal by Local Authority.
	Linking of the common alarm system with the individual flats to alleviate the
	need for a waking watch
	Extension leads in riser cupboards are not PAT tested
	Items identified in the EICC 5 year fixed electrical installation test are
	addressed
	That the responsible person is to conduct a fire door survey to ensure doors
	comply with current British Standards

#### **Article 11 - Fire Safety Arrangements**

SAFETY CRITICAL Safety Evaluation Broadly Compliant Observations

Suitable and sufficient management procedures in place.

#### Article 13 - Detection and warning

# SAFETY CRITICAL Observations Safety Evaluation There is common alarm system installed in the premises but this is not linked in with the detectors in the individual flats. The RP is proposing to link these two alarm systems alarms so that the waking watch can be replaced with evacuation management procedures. Works to comply with current NFCC guidance.

Break glass call points, detectors and sounders are installed in the car park.

#### Article 14 - Emergency routes and exits

SAFETY CRITICAL	Observations
Safety Evaluation Broadly Compliant	All common parts walked to final exits and were clear and available. Suitable
	and sufficient emergency lighting and signage installed. Automatic opening
	vents ( AOV's )installed on each floor lobby and at the head of the stairs. AOV's
	override provided in the entrance lobby. A number of flat front doors were
	sampled and all closed fully into door frames by the use of the positive action
	self-closure.

#### Article 15 - Procedures for serious and imminent danger and for danger areas

SAFETY CRITICAL	Observations
Safety Evaluation Broadly Compliant	There is currently a 24/7 concierge at the premises along with a waking watch.
	The waking watch consists of:
	One staff member on duty from 07.00am - 19.00hrs Monday - Friday
	Two staff members 19.00 - 07.00am Monday - Friday
	Two staff members 24 hour weekends.
	Residents are aware that the building fire strategy is simultaneous evacuation.

#### Article 17 - Maintenance

SAFETY CRITICAL
<b>Safety Evaluation</b>
Broadly Compliant

#### Observations

Maintenance documentation provided for: Emergency lighting - 28/01/21 Automatic opening vents - 28/10/21 Lifts - 13/02/21 EICC 5 year fixed electrical installation - 04/03 20 Dry rising mains - 04/03/21

#### Article 21 - Training

SAFETY CRITICALObservationsSafety EvaluationStaff trained to fire marshal level, with refresher training annually. Waking<br/>watch staff are equipped with mobile phone, hand held radio and air horn.

#### **Article 8 - General fire precautions**

Safety Evaluation	Observations	
Not Applicable	None	

#### Article 10 - Principles of prevention to be applied

Safety Evaluation Not Applicable **Observations** None

#### Article 12 - Elimination or reduction of risks from dangerous substances

Safety Evaluation	Observations
Not Applicable	None

#### **Article 13 - Fire Fighting Equipment**

Safety Evaluation Not Applicable **Observations** None

#### Article 16 - Measures for dealing with dangerous substances affecting general fire

#### precautions

Safety Evaluation Not Applicable **Observations** None

#### Article 18 - Safety assistance

Safety Evaluation Broadly Compliant	Observations	
	There is currently a 24/7 concierge at the premises along with a waking watch.	
	The waking watch consists of:	
	One staff member on duty from 07.00am - 19.00hrs Monday - Friday	
Two staff members 19.00 - 07.00am Monday - Friday		
	Two staff members 24 hour weekends.	
	Residents are aware that the building fire strategy is simultaneous evacuation.	

#### Article 19 - Provision of information to employees

Safety EvaluationObNot ApplicableNo

**Observations** None

# Article 20 - Provision of information to employers and the self employed from

#### outside undertakings

Safety Evaluation	Observations
Not Applicable	None

#### Article 22 - Co-operation and co-ordination

Safety Evaluation Not Applicable **Observations** None

#### Article 23 - General duties of employees at work

Safety Evaluation Not Applicable **Observations** None

#### Article 37 - Fire fighters switches for luminous tube signs

Safety Evaluation Not Applicable **Observations** None

#### Article 38 - Maintenance of measures provided for protection of fire fighters

 Safety Evaluation
 Observations

 Broadly Compliant
 Premises information box installed in ground floor lobby and there are dry riser outlets in the lobby areas on each floor.

 Dry riser tested - 04/03/21.

#### Article 24 - Power to make regulations

Safety Evaluation Not Applicable **Observations** None

#### **Article 27 - Powers of inspectors**

Safety Evaluation Not Applicable **Observations** None

#### Article 29 - Current alterations notices

Safety Evaluation Not Applicable

**Confirmed Action** 

**Observations** None

#### Article 30 - Current enforcement notices

Safety EvaluationObservationsNot ApplicableNone

#### Article 31 - Current prohibition notices

Safety Evaluation	Observations
Not Applicable	None

Article 32 - Offences	
Safety Evaluation Not Applicable	Observations
	None

# Overall safety standard Broadly Compliant Management compliance level 1 - Well above average Management Compliance Level 1 - Well above average Initial Expectation Verbal action Considered EMM? Yes

Verbal action

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#### **Fire Safety Audit**

#### Audit Conclusion

#### 18/03/2021 15:02

Audited building as part of programmed work and was joined by Inspecting Officer site by **Example 1** site and Rittner. . Was met on

Previous issues regarding lack of adequate fire stopping have been rectified. There is a waking watch in place but the RP is tendering for the common alarm system to link in with the alarms in individual flats. This is to replace the waking watch as per NFCC guidance. A number of flat front doors sampled and these all operated correctly.

18/03/2021 15:00 Initial Expectation: Verbal action

#### Verbal Advice Given

#### None given

#### **Other Authorities to notify**

None

#### **Weeks to Complete Work**

N/A

#### **Specific instructions for Admin to Action**

Hello admin, I could not change the fire safety team to Bexley and Greenwich.

Compliance calculation & signature		
Compliance Level	1 - Well above average	
Property Risk Group	B - Sleeping familiar or Licensed Premises	
Life Risk	1	
Actual Risk Score	5.03	
Risk Score	5.00	

#### Audit Timings

Audit Duration	Travel Time	Post Audit Processing Duration
120	10	120



# **Fire Safety Audit Report**

Audit Information		
Audited By		
Audit Completed	19 January 2022	
Location summary		
File No	94/183095	
UPRN	10010220012	
Building Name	Albert House	
Address	ALBERT HOUSE	
	EREBUS DRIVE	
	THAMESMEAD	
	SE28 0GN	
Borough	Greenwich	
Use	D - Purpose Built Flats>=4 floors	
Responsible Team	FSR Greenwich & Bexley	
Station Ground	E25 - Plumstead	
Site Risk Score	4.75	
Total Floors	8 Basem	ent floors 0
Estimated number of sleeping	<b>g</b> 0	
Special Features		
Additional detail	Ground floor level car park. The car park ar	
	Plant rooms, main electrical intake and lift	motor room for the premises
	are in the ground floor car park area.	
	Dry rising main inlet can be found at the entrance to the main section	
	(middle section) and serves an outlet on all floors except the ground floor	
	in the lobby areas outside of flats also only for the main section (middle	
	section) of the premises.	
	Firefighting lift available and has its own power supply and serves all floors. Only available in the main section (middle section) of the	
	premises.	
	Automatic ventilation system fitted in the form of automatic opening	
	doors in the premises connected to the fire alarm panel in the main lobby	
	and entrance to the premises. (Middle Section)	
	Floor layout is as follows: Lower Ground floor, Upper Ground Floor, 1st,	
	2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th, 6th and 7th.	
	The premises has a common alarm system.	
	Concrete cladding over the whole external of the premises is not	
	sufficient.	
	Waking watch externally patrolling the premises. 1 Waking watch during	
	the day and 2 at night.	
	Premises information box in the main section (middle section) of the	
	premises in the entrance lobby. These hold plans and keys to the	
	premises.	
	The building management team RAQ are lo	cated on the estate. This

Fire Safety Audit	Page 2 of 13 concierge is available to all blocks on Erebus Drive and can be located at Tideslea Tower.
Premises Description	The property is a purpose built block of flats. Primarily built of concrete. Currently the property has insufficient identified cladding over the external walls of the premises. A common alarm system is fitted in the premises. The premises has a waking watch patrolling externally the premises 24 hours a day. The property operates on an electronic access control system. The premises is one main column and two side annex's. The left and right side annex have their own entrance and is not linked to the main middle column in terms of entry access, but is linked to the same alarm system. Each annex is 3 storeys in height and has automatic opening windows in the staircase and only contain six flats each. The main section of the premises is the middle section which is 8 storeys in height, has automatic opening doors in the lobbies outside of flats, has access to the Dry rising main and firefighting lift and contains 34 flats. There is also a ground floor car park. The ground floor car park area holds plant rooms serving the property, which include a water pump room and electrical intake. The site has adequate access for fire service vehicles and hydrants are provided outside of the premises in the road. NONE
Features assisting fire spread	NONE
Site Reinspection date Heritage Building Petroleum redevelopment? Known firesetting in area? Site lone worker risk	No No O
Property Detail (DEFAULT I	
Occupier Contact	Default Property

Occupier Contact Address	Default Property ALBERT HOUSE EREBUS DRIVE THAMESMEAD
	SE28 0GN
Responsible team	FSR Greenwich & Bexley
Occupancy Type	Sole Occupier
Property Use	D - Purpose Built Flats>=4 floors
Valuation Office	R3 - Flats/Mais 4 Flrs and over PB
Original Risk Score	4.75
Reinspection Date	N/A (SAMPLE)
Last Inspection	5 November 2021
Total Capacity	0
Maximum number of people	>100
Property Size for use	Medium
	5001m <sup>2</sup> to 8300m <sup>2</sup>

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Environmental Risks	NONE	
Occupant Mobility	Average	
Fire Loading	Average	
Additional detail		
Specific lone worker risk	0	
Primary Authority Partnership	N/A	

# Protection Data (SHARED)

Fire Protection & Warning	Adequate
Unwanted fire signals count	0
AFD remote monitoring	YES
Smoke ventilation	Natural
Covers MOE/Common areas?	Yes
Sprinklers Installed?	No
Access for fire-fighting	Average
Water supplies	Above average
Special Features	
# Fire fighting shafts	0
Engineered solution?	No
Trade off measures?	No
Evacuation type	Simultaneous Evacuation
History of fires?	No

#### Contacts

Occupier	
Name Address	Default Property ALBERT HOUSE EREBUS DRIVE THAMESMEAD SE28 0GN
Owner/Co-Owner	
Name Position Address Telephone	Holdings and Management (Solitaire) Limited Chief Executive Officer C/O The Property Management Department Estates & Management Ltd 302 Regents Park Road Finchley LONDON N3 2JX
Managing Agent	
Name Address	Rendall & Rittner 13B St George Wharf London SW8 2LE
Telephone Email	@rendallandrittner.co.uk

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On Site Representative		
Name	Royal Artillery Quays	
Responsible Person		
Position	Estate Manager	
Address	Tideslea Tower	
	Erebus Drive	
	London	
	SE28 0GF	
Telephone		
Email	@theraq.co.uk	

#### **Enforcement history**

#### Articles

#### Article 9 - Risk assessment

SAFETY CRITICAL Safety Evaluation Broadly Compliant

#### Observations

At the time of the audit there was evidence that the fire risk assessment was suitable and sufficient for the premises. The fire risk assessment was clear and in date from 27/01/21 and is subject to a new fire risk assessment being completed every year, therefore a new fire risk assessment is not due until 27/01/22. A clear and suitable emergency plan is in place and evidenced by fire safety notices and adopts a simultaneous evacuation, this is due to the premises having been identified as having external cladding and insulation issues and following investigation, the external cladding was found not to comply and is therefore being assessed to be replaced/remediated as part of an ongoing project. The planning application and application for local government grants is currently in process. In the meantime a temporary fire alarm system and 'waking watch' patrolling externally has been put in place. Residents have been made aware of the changes to the building and the evacuation strategy.

#### **Article 11 - Fire Safety Arrangements**

SAFETY CRITICAL Safety Evaluation Broadly Compliant	Observations
	There is a proactive attitude to fire safety which is evident in the correct
	maintenance works carried out and use of signs to residents in how to protect
	themselves and be safe in the event of a fire.
	There is a system in place to report fire safety issues and deficiencies and
	ensure remedial works are implemented in a timely manner by a competent
	person.
	Some of the significant findings of the fire risk assessment have been either
	addressed or are in the process of being addressed.

#### Article 13 - Detection and warning

SAFETY CRITICAL Safety Evaluation Broadly Compliant

#### **Observations**

At the time of my audit there are smoke detectors located in the premises and in the lobby area outside of flats and in common areas that will activate the automatic opening ventilation in these areas and flat Lobby to remove smoke from these areas. The system is suitable and sufficient for the type of premises and the risks associated with it. This system is linked to a fire alarm panel in the ground floor main lobby of the premises, which is linked to the concierge main panel. There are sounders in the common areas connected to this fire alarm panel, this has been put into place in line with MHCLG guidance when the cladding issues were identified. The premises also has waking watch present patrolling the premises externally as well as a concierge team on site. The current evacuation strategy is simultaneous evacuation.

#### Article 14 - Emergency routes and exits

SAFETY CRITICAL Safety Evaluation Broadly Compliant

#### Observations

At the time of the audit, all fire exits and emergency escape routes and lobby areas were clear. This will allow all Relevant Persons the ability to escape quickly and safely in event of a fire. There is one final exit door located in the premises, the fire exit door and escape route is of sufficient and adequate width for the number of people who may be required to use them. The fire exit doors on escape route opens in the correct direction for the number of people using the premises. The designated emergency escape route leads to an ultimate place of safety and all relevant persons are aware of the route.

#### Article 15 - Procedures for serious and imminent danger and for danger areas

SAFETY CRITICAL Safety Evaluation Broadly Compliant

#### **Observations**

At the time of the audit, there are appropriate procedures in place for evacuation in case of fire. The system in place is designed so that any incident is managed and to ensure the safe evacuation of all relevant persons. I confirmed with **solution** that the fire alarm panel in place in the building is working in conjunction with the AOV system throughout the building and sounders are present and linked to the fire alarm panel in the common areas. This system is in accordance to the MHCLG guidance which was implemented when cladding was identified. There is also a waking watch in place to patrol the premises externally and for reporting and identifying potential issues and to help in the event of evacuation of the premises.

All fire action notices in the premises are correct for simultaneous evacuation and evidence has been provided to residents of the evacuation strategy change.

#### **Article 17 - Maintenance**

SAFETY CRITICAL Safety Evaluation Broadly Compliant	Observations
	At the time of the audit the final exit doors, Fire doors and maintenance of such
	was in place in the premises. It was found that these were in good working
Verbal Advice Given	order throughout the property. The provisions for fire safety and evacuation
	procedure has already been implemented for the premises.
	I did note at the time of my audit that the fire door from the flat lobbies leading
	to the stairs on floors 6 and 4 were not closing into their frame correctly. I
	advised to have these checked by a competent person and remediation
	taken place so that these are in a working order.

#### Article 21 - Training

SAFETY CRITICAL Safety Evaluation Broadly Compliant	Observations
	At the time of the audit there is evidence that suitable and sufficient training
	and instruction has been provided for all employees on the appropriate
	precautions and actions to be taken in order to safeguard themselves and other

#### **Article 8 - General fire precautions**

**Safety Evaluation** Broadly Compliant

#### Observations

Relevant Persons.

At the time of the audit there was no evidence to suggest any compartmentation issues. There were no cracks, holes or breaches identified in the compartments that I checked during the audit. It was evidenced that compartmentation issues had been completed, certificates for this and stickers of completed work are evidenced in the building.

#### Article 10 - Principles of prevention to be applied

**Safety Evaluation** Broadly Compliant

#### Observations

At the time of the audit, there was evidence of appropriate instructions to relevant persons, in the preventative measures for fire safety. All relevant persons are instructed of the need for avoiding risk, the prevention of a risk and the evaluation of an existing risk in order to safeguard themselves and other relevant persons. There is evidence that risk has been considered for the premises, as a

competent person has carried out a suitable and sufficient risk assessment.

#### Article 12 - Elimination or reduction of risks from dangerous substances

Safety Evaluation Not Applicable **Observations** This article is not applicable.

#### Article 13 - Fire Fighting Equipment

Safety Evaluation	Observations
Broadly Compliant	There is no firefighting equipment provided.

#### Article 16 - Measures for dealing with dangerous substances affecting general fire

precautions	
Safety Evaluation	Observations
Not Applicable	This article is not applicable.

#### Article 18 - Safety assistance

**Safety Evaluation** Broadly Compliant

#### Observations

At the time of the audit evidence was provided that a competent person had been appointed to carry out the fire risk assessment for the premises. The Fire Risk assessment details that only contractually competent persons will be hired with the sufficient training, knowledge, and experience and will be given the sufficient time and means to carry out their function in order to undertake any preventative and protective measures required for the premises.

#### Article 19 - Provision of information to employees

Safety Evaluation Broadly Compliant

#### Observations

The fire risk assessment not only identifies the risks to them but also the preventative and protective measures in place, which are required in order to ensure the safety of themselves and other relevant persons. Information is provided for all employees on the procedures and measures to be taken in the event of an emergency are provided to further inform employees of their responsibilities and actions.

# Article 20 - Provision of information to employers and the self employed from outside undertakings

Safety Evaluation Broadly Compliant	Observations
	All staff and contractors who will work on the premises have to undergo training
	and have appropriate level of qualifications before undertaking any tasks.
	All contractors are to be informed of their responsibilities and action to take in
	the event of a fire related incident. The information given to outside employees
	are written and verbal instruction and this should be kept with the managing
	agent.
	They are informed of the preventative and protective measures in place and the
	procedures for the employee to follow onsite in event of a fire.

#### Article 22 - Co-operation and co-ordination

#### Safety Evaluation Broadly Compliant

#### Observations

There is evidence that RAQ team report back any issues to their overall client, Rendall and Rittner. Systems are then agreed upon and implemented through this chain of communication and recommendations.

#### Article 23 - General duties of employees at work

#### Safety Evaluation Broadly Compliant

### Observations

There is policy and procedure to adhere to in reporting all issues to the managing agent Rendall and Rittner and a procedure to ensure that the issue is followed up and resolved.

#### Article 37 - Fire fighters switches for luminous tube signs

Safety Evaluation	Observations	
Not Applicable	Not applicable.	

#### Article 38 - Maintenance of measures provided for protection of fire fighters

**Safety Evaluation** Broadly Compliant

#### Observations

The premises has a Dry rising main fitted to the premises. The inlet to this is located at the middle entrance and an outlet serves every floor in the protected lobbies outside of flats in the main section (middle section) of the premises only. The premises also has a firefighting lift with its own separate power supply and serves all floors, only in the main section (middle section) of the premises. The premises also has a premises information box located in the main section (middle section) of the premises, this holds plans and keys to the premises.

#### Article 24 - Power to make regulations

Safety Evaluation Not Applicable **Observations** None

#### **Article 27 - Powers of inspectors**

Safety Evaluation	Observations
Not Applicable	None

#### **Article 29 - Current alterations notices**

Safety Evaluation	Observations
Not Applicable	None

#### **Article 30 - Current enforcement notices**

Safety Evaluation	Observations
Not Applicable	None

#### **Article 31 - Current prohibition notices**

Safety Evaluation	Observations	
Not Applicable	None	

#### Article 32 - Offences

Safety Evaluation Not Applicable **Observations** None

Overall safety standard	
	Broadly Compliant
Management compliance level	
Management Compliance Level	1 - Well above average
Initial Expectation	Verbal action
Considered EMM?	Yes
Confirmed Action	Verbal action

#### Audit Conclusion

#### 19/01/2022 11:47

This FSO1 audit was a revisit six months following my initial visit as part of the BRR team work. This premises is currently under a simultaneous evacuation and will be monitored and revisited every six months. Prior to the audit I was able to complete the necessary research using Farynor, imapping, IMS, Companies house and primary authority. I was able to get in touch with the managing agents of the premises, Rendall and Rittner. They were able to provide me with information for the building. RAQ manages this building for them and reports any issues back to Rendall and Rittner. I was in touch with Estate manager for Royal Artillery Quays (RAQ) who was able to send me all relevant documentation and the fire risk assessment before completing my audit.

I was unable to meet with **Example 1**. Due to the current covid-19 situation I conducted the audit on my own whilst also adhering to the social distancing measures and wearing of a face mask.

The audit was to be carried out in three parts. First was an inspection of all available records and information gathering. The second part of the audit was to carry out a full premises inspection. The third part of the audit was to carry out a conclusion.

At the time of the audit there was evidence that the fire risk assessment was suitable and sufficient for the premises. The fire risk assessment was clear and in date from 27/01/21 and is subject to a new fire risk assessment being completed every year, therefore a new fire risk assessment is not due until 27/01/22. A clear and suitable emergency plan is in place and evidenced by fire safety notices and adopts a simultaneous evacuation, this is due to the premises having been identified as having external cladding and insulation issues and following investigation, the external cladding was found not to comply and is therefore being assessed to be replaced/remediated as part of an ongoing project. The planning application and application for local government grants is currently in process. In the meantime a temporary fire alarm system and `waking watch' patrolling externally has been put in place.

I confirmed with **second** that the fire alarm panel in place in the premises is working in conjunction with the AOV system throughout the building and sounders are present and linked to the fire alarm panel in the common areas. This system is then linked to a main panel in the concierge office located at Tideslea Tower. This system is in accordance to the MHCLG guidance which was implemented when cladding issues were identified. There is also a waking watch in place to patrol the premises externally and in reporting and identifying potential issues and to help in the event of evacuation of the premises.

The fire action notices in the premises reflect the correct simultaneous evacuation strategy in place and residents are aware.

The second part of the audit was to carry out a full premises inspection.

I was able to audit all of the common parts of the premises.

I was unable to sample any flat front doors due to the covid restrictions. However, all the doors did look the same and no issues with these being fire doors is indicated on the fire risk assessment and should meet all minimum requirements.

I did note at the time of my audit that the fire door from the flat lobbies leading to the stairs on floors 6 and 4 were not closing into their frame correctly. I advised **sector** to have these checked by a competent person and remediation taken place so that these are in a working order.

The premises has automatic opening ventilation in the lobby area outside of the flats in the form of automatic opening doors, which are designed to clear smoke from these areas and expelling it out of the building, enabling these areas to remain free from smoke and enable relevant persons to escape the premises if required. There is a premises information box located in the main entrance lobby which holds plans and keys to the premises.

Lastly, I re-affirmed the issues which were identified. I informed **constant** of my findings and the enforcement process which we adhere too. I advised on remedial works that can be done to correct some of these issues identified. This has been followed up with an email confirming the areas identified and acknowledging that the building was Broadly Compliant with verbal advice given.

19/01/2022 11:47 Initial Expectation: Verbal action

#### **Verbal Advice Given**

Advice given on article(s) 17

Verbal advice given can be seen in article 17.

#### **Other Authorities to notify**

None

#### Weeks to Complete Work

N/A

#### **Specific instructions for Admin to Action**

None

Compliance calculation & signature	
Compliance Level	1 - Well above average
Property Risk Group	B - Sleeping familiar or Licensed Premises
Life Risk	-2.2
Actual Risk Score	4.68
Risk Score	4.75
Audit Timings	

Audit Duration

Travel Time 60 Post Audit Processing Duration 200



# **Fire Safety Audit Report**

Audit Information	
Audited By	
Audit Completed	19 January 2022
Location summary	
File No	94/183098
UPRN	10010220015
Building Name	BENDISH POINT
Address	BENDISH POINT
	EREBUS DRIVE
	THAMESMEAD
	SE28 0GN
Borough	Greenwich
Use	D - Purpose Built Flats>=4 floors
Responsible Team	FSR Greenwich & Bexley
Station Ground	E25 - Plumstead
Site Risk Score	4.75
Total Floors	11Basement floors 0
Estimated number of sleeping	0
Special Features	Premises Information Box (PIB)
Additional detail	Ground floor level car park. The car park area is only for this premises.
	Plant rooms, main electrical intake and lift motor room for the premises
	are in the ground floor car park area.
	Dry rising main inlet can be found at the entrance to the main section
	(middle section) and serves an outlet on all floors except the ground floor
	in the lobby areas outside of flats also only for the main section (middle
	section) of the premises. The dry rising outlets are behind a door in these
	lobbies which is labelled correctly. These doors are on a master key. This
	key can be found with the concierge or in the premises information box
	within the premises. Firefighting lift available and has its own power supply and serves all
	floors. Only available in the main section (middle section) of the
	premises.
	Automatic ventilation system fitted in the form of automatic opening
	doors in the premises connected to the fire alarm panel in the main lobby
	and entrance to the premises. (Middle Section)
	Floor layout is as follows: Lower Ground floor, Upper Ground Floor, 1st,
	2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th, 6th and 7th.
	The premises has a common alarm system.
	Concrete cladding over the whole external of the premises is not
	sufficient.
	Waking watch externally patrolling the premises. 1 Waking watch during
	the day and 2 at night.
	Premises information box in the main section (middle section) of the

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	premises in the entrance lobby. These hold plans and keys to the premises. The building management team RAQ are located on the estate. This concierge is available to all blocks on Erebus Drive and can be located at Tideslea Tower.
Premises Description	The property is a purpose built block of flats. Primarily concrete build. Currently the property has insufficient identified cladding over the external walls of the premises. A common alarm system is fitted in the premises. The premises has a waking watch patrolling externally the premises 24 hours a day. The property operates on an electronic access control system. The premises is one main column and two side annex's. The left and right side annex have their own entrance and is not linked to the main middle column in terms of entry access, but is linked to the same alarm system. Each annex is 3 storeys in height and has automatic opening windows in the staircase and only contain six flats each. The main section of the premises is the middle section which is 11 storeys in height, has automatic opening doors in the lobbies outside of flats, has access to the Dry rising main and fireman's lift and contains 55 flats. There is also a ground floor car park. The ground floor car park area holds plant rooms serving the property, which include a water pump room and electrical intake. The site has adequate access for fire service vehicles and hydrants are provided outside of the premises in the road. NONE
Features assisting fire spread	NONE
Site Reinspection date Heritage Building Petroleum redevelopment? Known firesetting in area? Site lone worker risk	No No O

# Property Detail (DEFAULT PROPERTY)

Occupier Contact	Default Property
Address	BENDISH POINT
	EREBUS DRIVE
	THAMESMEAD
	SE28 0GN
Responsible team	FSR Greenwich & Bexley
Occupancy Type	Sole Occupier
Property Use	D - Purpose Built Flats>=4 floors
Valuation Office	R3 - Flats/Mais 4 Flrs and over PB
Original Risk Score	4.75
<b>Reinspection Date</b>	N/A (SAMPLE)
Last Inspection	5 November 2021
Total Capacity	0

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Maximum number of people	>100
Property Size for use	Medium 5001m² to 8300m²
Environmental Risks	NONE
Occupant Mobility	Average
Fire Loading	Average
Additional detail	
Specific lone worker risk	0
Primary Authority Partnership	N/A

# Protection Data (SHARED)

Fire Protection & Warning	Adequate
Unwanted fire signals count	0
AFD remote monitoring	YES
Smoke ventilation	Natural
Covers MOE/Common areas?	Yes
Sprinklers Installed?	No
Access for fire-fighting	Average
Water supplies	Above average
Special Features	
# Fire fighting shafts	0
Engineered solution?	No
Trade off measures?	No
Evacuation type	Simultaneous Evacuation
History of fires?	No

# Contacts

Occupier	
Name Address	Default Property BENDISH POINT EREBUS DRIVE THAMESMEAD SE28 0GN
<b>Owner/Co-Owner</b>	
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Telephone	

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# **Enforcement history**

#### Articles

#### Article 9 - Risk assessment

SAFETY CRITICAL Safety Evaluation Broadly Compliant

#### Observations

At the time of the audit there was evidence that the fire risk assessment was suitable and sufficient for the premises. The fire risk assessment was clear and in date from 28/01/21 and is subject to a new fire risk assessment being completed every year, therefore a new fire risk assessment is not due until 28/01/22. A clear and suitable emergency plan is in place and evidenced by fire safety notices and adopts a simultaneous evacuation, this is due to the premises having been identified as having external cladding and insulation issues and following investigation, the external cladding was found not to comply and is therefore being assessed to be replaced/remediated as part of an ongoing project. The planning application and application for local government grants is currently in process. In the meantime a temporary fire alarm system and 'waking watch' patrolling externally has been put in place. Residents have been made aware of the changes to the building and the evacuation strategy.

# **Article 11 - Fire Safety Arrangements**

SAFETY CRITICAL Safety Evaluation Broadly Compliant

#### Observations

There is a proactive attitude to fire safety which is evident in the correct maintenance works carried out and use of signs to residents in how to protect themselves and be safe in the event of a fire.

There is a system in place to report fire safety issues and deficiencies and ensure remedial works are implemented in a timely manner by a competent person.

Some of the significant findings of the fire risk assessment have been either addressed or are in the process of being addressed.

### Article 13 - Detection and warning

SAFETY CRITICAL Safety Evaluation Broadly Compliant

#### Observations

At the time of my audit there are smoke detectors located in the premises and in the lobby area outside of flats and in common areas that will activate the automatic opening ventilation in these areas and flat Lobby to remove smoke from these areas. The system is suitable and sufficient for the type of premises and the risks associated with it. This system is linked to a fire alarm panel in the ground floor main lobby of the premises, which is linked to the concierge main panel. There are sounders in the common areas connected to this fire alarm panel, this has been put into place in line with MHCLG guidance when the cladding issues were identified. The premises also has waking watch present patrolling the premises externally as well as a concierge team on site. The current evacuation strategy is simultaneous evacuation.

#### **Article 14 - Emergency routes and exits**

SAFETY CRITICAL Safety Evaluation Broadly Compliant

#### Observations

At the time of the audit, all fire exits and emergency escape routes and lobby areas were clear. This will allow all Relevant Persons the ability to escape quickly and safely in event of a fire. There is one final exit door located in the premises, the fire exit door and escape route is of sufficient and adequate width for the number of people who may be required to use them. The fire exit doors on escape route opens in the correct direction for the number of people using the premises. The designated emergency escape route leads to an ultimate place of safety and all relevant persons are aware of the route.

## Article 15 - Procedures for serious and imminent danger and for danger areas

SAFETY CRITICAL Safety Evaluation Broadly Compliant

#### Observations

At the time of the audit, there are appropriate procedures in place for evacuation in case of fire. The system in place is designed so that any incident is managed and to ensure the safe evacuation of all relevant persons. I confirmed with **solution** that the fire alarm panel in place in the building is working in conjunction with the AOV system throughout the building and sounders are present and linked to the fire alarm panel in the common areas. This system is in accordance to the MHCLG guidance which was implemented when cladding was identified. There is also a waking watch in place to patrol the premises externally and for reporting and identifying potential issues and to help in the event of evacuation of the premises.

All fire action notices in the premises are correct for simultaneous evacuation and evidence has been provided to residents of the evacuation strategy change.

SAFETY CRITICAL Safety Evaluation Broadly Compliant	Observations
	At the time of the audit the final exit doors, Fire doors and maintenance of such
	was in place in the premises. It was found that these were in good working
Verbal Advice Given	order throughout the property. The provisions for fire safety and evacuation
	procedure has already been implemented for the premises.
	I did note that there was gaps at the bottom of the Fire doors to the stairwells
	on floors 9, 8, 7, 5 and 1. I advised to have these checked by a
	competent person and any remediations actioned.

# Article 21 - Training

SAFETY CRITICAL Safety Evaluation Broadly Compliant

#### Observations

At the time of the audit there is evidence that suitable and sufficient training and instruction has been provided for all employees on the appropriate precautions and actions to be taken in order to safeguard themselves and other Relevant Persons.

## **Article 8 - General fire precautions**

Safety Evaluation Broadly Compliant

#### Observations

At the time of the audit there was no evidence to suggest any compartmentation issues. There were no cracks, holes or breaches identified in the compartments that I checked during the audit. It was evidenced that compartmentation issues had been completed, certificates for this and stickers of completed work are evidenced in the building.

# Article 10 - Principles of prevention to be applied

Safety Evaluation	Observations
Broadly Compliant	At the time of the audit, there was evidence of appropriate instructions to
	relevant persons, in the preventative measures for fire safety.
	All relevant persons are instructed of the need for avoiding risk, the prevention
	of a risk and the evaluation of an existing risk in order to safeguard themselves
	and other relevant persons.
	There is evidence that risk has been considered for the premises, as a
	competent person has carried out a suitable and sufficient risk assessment.

# Article 12 - Elimination or reduction of risks from dangerous substances

Safety EvaluationObservationsNot ApplicableThis article is not applicable.

# **Article 13 - Fire Fighting Equipment**

Safety EvaluationObservationsBroadly CompliantThere is no firefighting equipment provided.

# Article 16 - Measures for dealing with dangerous substances affecting general fire precautions

Safety Evaluation Not Applicable **Observations** This article is not applicable.

# Article 18 - Safety assistance

Safety Evaluation Broadly Compliant	Observations
	At the time of the audit evidence was provided that a competent person had
	been appointed to carry out the fire risk assessment for the premises.
	The Fire Risk assessment details that only contractually competent persons will
	be hired with the sufficient training, knowledge, and experience and will be
	given the sufficient time and means to carry out their function in order to
	undertake any preventative and protective measures required for the premises.

# **Article 19 - Provision of information to employees**

Safety Evaluation	Observations
Broadly Compliant	The fire risk assessment not only identifies the risks to them but also the
	preventative and protective measures in place, which are required in order to
	ensure the safety of themselves and other relevant persons. Information is
	provided for all employees on the procedures and measures to be taken in the
	event of an emergency are provided to further inform employees of their
	responsibilities and actions.

# Article 20 - Provision of information to employers and the self employed from outside undertakings

Safety Evaluation Broadly Compliant	<ul> <li>Observations</li> <li>All staff and contractors who will work on the premises have to undergo training and have appropriate level of qualifications before undertaking any tasks.</li> <li>All contractors are to be informed of their responsibilities and action to take in the event of a fire related incident. The information given to outside employees are written and verbal instruction and this should be kept with the managing agent.</li> <li>They are informed of the preventative and protective measures in place and the procedures for the employees to follow encite in event of a fire.</li> </ul>
	procedures for the employee to follow onsite in event of a fire.

# Article 22 - Co-operation and co-ordination

#### Safety Evaluation Broadly Compliant

#### Observations

There is evidence that RAQ team report back any issues to their overall client, Rendall and Rittner. Systems are then agreed upon and implemented through this chain of communication and recommendations.

# Article 23 - General duties of employees at work

#### Safety Evaluation Broadly Compliant

# Observations

There is policy and procedure to adhere to in reporting all issues to the managing agent Rendall and Rittner and a procedure to ensure that the issue is followed up and resolved.

# Article 37 - Fire fighters switches for luminous tube signs

Safety Evaluation	Observations	
Not Applicable	Not applicable.	

# Article 38 - Maintenance of measures provided for protection of fire fighters

**Safety Evaluation** Broadly Compliant

#### Observations

The premises has a premises information box located in the main section (middle section) of the premises, this holds plans and keys to the premises. The premises has a Dry rising main fitted to the premises. The inlet to this is located at the middle entrance and an outlet serves every floor in the protected lobbies outside of flats in the main section (middle section) of the premises only. The dry rising outlets are behind doors in these areas that can be accessed by a master key which is kept in the premises information box. The premises also has a firefighting lift with its own separate power supply and serves all floors, only in the main section (middle section) of the premises.

# Article 24 - Power to make regulations

Safety Evaluation Not Applicable **Observations** None

# **Article 27 - Powers of inspectors**

Safety Evaluation	Observations
Not Applicable	None

# **Article 29 - Current alterations notices**

Safety Evaluation	Observations
Not Applicable	None

# **Article 30 - Current enforcement notices**

Safety Evaluation	Observations
Not Applicable	None

# **Article 31 - Current prohibition notices**

Safety Evaluation	Observations	
Not Applicable	None	

# Article 32 - Offences

Safety Evaluation Not Applicable **Observations** None

Overall safety standard	
	Broadly Compliant
Management compliance level	
Management Compliance Level	1 - Well above average
Initial Expectation	Verbal action
Considered EMM?	Yes
Confirmed Action	Verbal action

#### **Fire Safety Audit**

# Audit Conclusion

#### 19/01/2022 11:31

This FSO1 audit was a revisit following the initial BRR team response. This is currently being reviewed every six months while still in a simultaneous evacuation strategy.

Prior to the audit I was able to complete the necessary research using Farynor, imapping, IMS, Companies house and primary authority. I was able to get in touch with the managing agents of the premises, Rendall and Rittner. They were able to provide me with information for the building. RAQ manages this building for them and reports any issues back to Rendall and Rittner. I was in touch with Estate manager for Royal Artillery Quays (RAQ)

I was unable to meet with **Example 1**. Due to the current covid-19 situation I conducted the audit on my own whilst also adhering to the social distancing measures and wearing of a face mask.

The audit was to be carried out in three parts. First was an inspection of all available records and information gathering. The second part of the audit was to carry out a full premises inspection. The third part of the audit was to carry out a conclusion.

At the time of the audit there was evidence that the fire risk assessment was suitable and sufficient for the premises. The fire risk assessment was clear and in date from 28/01/21 and is subject to a new fire risk assessment being completed every year, therefore a new fire risk assessment is not due until 28/01/22. A clear and suitable emergency plan is in place and evidenced by fire safety notices and adopts a simultaneous evacuation, this is due to the premises having been identified as having external cladding and insulation issues and following investigation, the external cladding was found not to comply and is therefore being assessed to be replaced/remediated as part of an ongoing project. The planning application and application for local government grants is currently in process. In the meantime a temporary fire alarm system and `waking watch' patrolling externally has been put in place.

I confirmed with **second** that the fire alarm panel in place in the premises is working in conjunction with the AOV system throughout the building and sounders are present and linked to the fire alarm panel in the common areas. This system is then linked to a main panel in the concierge office located at Tideslea Tower. This system is in accordance to the MHCLG guidance which was implemented when cladding issues were identified. There is also a waking watch in place to patrol the premises externally and in reporting and identifying potential issues and to help in the event of evacuation of the premises.

The fire action notices in the premises reflect the correct simultaneous evacuation strategy in place and residents are aware.

The second part of the audit was to carry out a full premises inspection.

I was able to audit all of the common parts of the premises.

I was unable to sample any flat front doors due to the covid restrictions. However, all the doors did look the same and no issues with these being fire doors is indicated on the fire risk assessment and should meet all minimum requirements.

No major issues identified at the time of the audit. I did note that there was gaps at the bottom of the Fire doors to the stairwells on floors 9, 8, 7, 5 and 1. I advised **set to** have these checked by a competent person and any remediations actioned.

The premises has an automatic opening ventilation in the lobby area outside of the flats in the form of automatic opening doors, which are designed to clear smoke from these areas and expelling it out of the building, enabling these areas to remain free from smoke and enable relevant persons to escape the premises if required. There is a premises information box located in the main entrance lobby which holds plans and keys to the premises. The premises has a dry rising main to the main section of the premises and a firefighting lift that serves all floors.

Lastly, I re-affirmed the issues which were identified. I informed **of** my findings and the enforcement process which we adhere too. I advised on remedial works that can be done to correct some of these issues

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identified. This has been followed up with an email confirming the areas identified and acknowledging that the building was Broadly Compliant with verbal advice given.

19/01/2022 11:31 Initial Expectation: Verbal action

# **Verbal Advice Given**

Advice given on article(s) 17

Verbal advice given can be seen in article 17.

# **Other Authorities to notify**

None

# Weeks to Complete Work

N/A

# **Specific instructions for Admin to Action**

None

Compliance calculation & signature	
Compliance Level	1 - Well above average
Property Risk Group	B - Sleeping familiar or Licensed Premises
Life Risk	-2.2
Actual Risk Score	4.68
Risk Score	4.75

## **Audit Timings**

Audit Duration	Travel Time	Post Audit Processing Duration
125	60	210



# **Fire Safety Audit Report**

Audit Information	
Audited By	
Audit Completed	19 January 2022
Location summary	
File No	94/183103
UPRN	10010220016
Building Name	CUMBERLAND HOUSE
Address	CUMBERLAND HOUSE
	EREBUS DRIVE
	THAMESMEAD
	SE28 0GE
Borough	Greenwich
Use	D - Purpose Built Flats>=4 floors
Responsible Team	FSR Greenwich & Bexley
Station Ground	E25 - Plumstead
Site Risk Score	4.75
Total Floors	12Basement floors 0
Estimated number of sleeping	0
Special Features	Premises Information Box (PIB)
Additional detail	Ground floor level car park. The car park area is only for this premises.
	Plant rooms, main electrical intake and lift motor room for the premises
	are in the ground floor car park area.
	Dry rising main inlet can be found at the entrance to the main section
	(middle section) and serves an outlet on all floors except the ground floor
	in the lobby areas outside of flats also only for the main section (middle
	section) of the premises. The dry rising outlets are behind a door in these
	lobbies which is labelled correctly. These doors are on a master key. This
	key can be found with the concierge or in the premises information box
	within the premises.
	Firefighting lift available and has its own power supply and serves all
	floors. Only available in the main section (middle section) of the
	premises. Automatic ventilation system fitted in the form of automatic opening
	doors in the premises connected to the fire alarm panel in the main lobby
	and entrance to the premises. (Middle Section)
	Floor layout is as follows: Lower Ground floor, Upper Ground Floor, 1st,
	2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th, 6th, 7th, 8th, 9th and 10th.
	The premises has a common alarm system.
	Concrete cladding over the whole external of the premises is not
	sufficient.
	Waking watch externally patrolling the premises. 1 Waking watch during
	the day and 2 at night.
	Premises information box in the main section (middle section) of the

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	premises in the entrance lobby. These hold plans and keys to the premises. The building management team RAQ are located on the estate. This concierge is available to all blocks on Erebus Drive and can be located at Tideslea Tower.
Premises Description	The property is a purpose built block of flats. Primarily concrete build. Currently the property has insufficient identified cladding over the external walls of the premises. A common alarm system is fitted in the premises. The premises has a waking watch patrolling externally the premises 24 hours a day. The property operates on an electronic access control system. The premises is one main column and two side annex's. The left and right side annex have their own entrance and is not linked to the main middle column in terms of entry access, but is linked to the same alarm system. Each annex is 3 storeys in height and has automatic opening windows in the staircase and only contain six flats each. The main section of the premises is the middle section which is 12 storeys in height, has automatic opening doors in the lobbies outside of flats, has access to the Dry rising main and fireman's lift and contains 57 flats. There is also a ground floor car park. The ground floor car park area holds plant rooms serving the property, which include a water pump room and electrical intake. The site has adequate access for fire service vehicles and hydrants are provided outside of the premises in the road. NONE
Features assisting fire spread	NONE
Site Reinspection date Heritage Building Petroleum redevelopment? Known firesetting in area? Site lone worker risk	No No No O

# Property Detail (DEFAULT PROPERTY)

Occupier Contact	Default Property
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	THAMESMEAD
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Property Use	D - Purpose Built Flats>=4 floors
Valuation Office	R3 - Flats/Mais 4 Flrs and over PB
Original Risk Score	4.75
<b>Reinspection Date</b>	N/A (SAMPLE)
Last Inspection	5 November 2021
Total Capacity	0

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Maximum number of people	>100
Property Size for use	Medium 5001m² to 8300m²
Environmental Risks	NONE
Occupant Mobility	Average
Fire Loading	Average
Additional detail	
Specific lone worker risk	0
Primary Authority Partnership	N/A

# Protection Data (SHARED)

Fire Protection & Warning	Adequate
Unwanted fire signals count	0
AFD remote monitoring	YES
Smoke ventilation	Natural
Covers MOE/Common areas?	Yes
Sprinklers Installed?	No
Access for fire-fighting	Average
Water supplies	Above average
Special Features	
# Fire fighting shafts	0
Engineered solution?	No
Trade off measures?	No
Evacuation type	Simultaneous Evacuation
History of fires?	No

# Contacts

Occupier	
Name Address	Default Property CUMBERLAND HOUSE EREBUS DRIVE THAMESMEAD SE28 0GE
Owner/Co-Owner	
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# **Enforcement history**

# Articles

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Residents have been made aware of the changes to the building and the evacuation strategy.

# **Article 11 - Fire Safety Arrangements**

SAFETY CRITICAL Safety Evaluation Broadly Compliant

#### Observations

There is a proactive attitude to fire safety which is evident in the correct maintenance works carried out and use of signs to residents in how to protect themselves and be safe in the event of a fire.

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At the time of my audit there are smoke detectors located in the premises and in the lobby area outside of flats and in common areas that will activate the automatic opening ventilation in these areas and flat Lobby to remove smoke from these areas. The system is suitable and sufficient for the type of premises and the risks associated with it. This system is linked to a fire alarm panel in the ground floor main lobby of the premises, which is linked to the concierge main panel. There are sounders in the common areas connected to this fire alarm panel, this has been put into place in line with MHCLG guidance when the cladding issues were identified. The premises also has waking watch present patrolling the premises externally as well as a concierge team on site. The current evacuation strategy is simultaneous evacuation.

#### **Article 14 - Emergency routes and exits**

SAFETY CRITICAL Safety Evaluation Broadly Compliant

#### Observations

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## Article 15 - Procedures for serious and imminent danger and for danger areas

SAFETY CRITICAL Safety Evaluation Broadly Compliant

#### Observations

At the time of the audit, there are appropriate procedures in place for evacuation in case of fire. The system in place is designed so that any incident is managed and to ensure the safe evacuation of all relevant persons. I confirmed with **solution** that the fire alarm panel in place in the building is working in conjunction with the AOV system throughout the building and sounders are present and linked to the fire alarm panel in the common areas. This system is in accordance to the MHCLG guidance which was implemented when cladding was identified. There is also a waking watch in place to patrol the premises externally and for reporting and identifying potential issues and to help in the event of evacuation of the premises.

All fire action notices in the premises are correct for simultaneous evacuation and evidence has been provided to residents of the evacuation strategy change.

# Article 17 - Maintenance

SAFETY CRITICAL	<b>Observations</b>
Safety Evaluation	At the time of the audit the final exit doors, Fire doors and maintenance of such
Broadly Compliant	was in place in the premises. It was found that these were in good working
Verbal Advice Given	order throughout the property. The provisions for fire safety and evacuation procedure has already been implemented for the premises. I did note at the time of the audit that there were gaps under the fire doors leading to the staircase on floors 8, 7, 6 and 3. I advised that these should be reviewed by a competent person and works carried out.

# Article 21 - Training

SAFETY CRITICAL Safety Evaluation Broadly Compliant

#### Observations

At the time of the audit there is evidence that suitable and sufficient training and instruction has been provided for all employees on the appropriate precautions and actions to be taken in order to safeguard themselves and other Relevant Persons.

## **Article 8 - General fire precautions**

Safety Evaluation Broadly Compliant

#### Observations

At the time of the audit there was no evidence to suggest any compartmentation issues. There were no cracks, holes or breaches identified in the compartments that I checked during the audit. It was evidenced that compartmentation issues had been completed, certificates for this and stickers of completed work are evidenced in the building.

# Article 10 - Principles of prevention to be applied

Safety Evaluation Broadly Compliant	Observations	
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	of a risk and the evaluation of an existing risk in order to safeguard themselves	
	and other relevant persons.	
	There is evidence that risk has been considered for the premises, as a	
	competent person has carried out a suitable and sufficient risk assessment.	

# Article 12 - Elimination or reduction of risks from dangerous substances

Safety EvaluationObservationsNot ApplicableThis article is not applicable.

# **Article 13 - Fire Fighting Equipment**

Safety EvaluationObservationsBroadly CompliantThere is no firefighting equipment provided.

# Article 16 - Measures for dealing with dangerous substances affecting general fire precautions

Safety Evaluation Not Applicable **Observations** This article is not applicable.

# Article 18 - Safety assistance

Safety Evaluation	Observations
Broadly Compliant	At the time of the audit evidence was provided that a competent person had
	been appointed to carry out the fire risk assessment for the premises.
	The Fire Risk assessment details that only contractually competent persons will
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	given the sufficient time and means to carry out their function in order to
	undertake any preventative and protective measures required for the premises.

# **Article 19 - Provision of information to employees**

Safety Evaluation	Observations
Broadly Compliant	The fire risk assessment not only identifies the risks to them but also the
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	procedures for the employee to follow onsite in event of a fire.

# Article 22 - Co-operation and co-ordination

#### Safety Evaluation Broadly Compliant

#### Observations

There is evidence that RAQ team report back any issues to their overall client, Rendall and Rittner. Systems are then agreed upon and implemented through this chain of communication and recommendations.

# Article 23 - General duties of employees at work

#### Safety Evaluation Broadly Compliant

# Observations

There is policy and procedure to adhere to in reporting all issues to the managing agent Rendall and Rittner and a procedure to ensure that the issue is followed up and resolved.

# Article 37 - Fire fighters switches for luminous tube signs

Safety Evaluation	Observations
Not Applicable	Not applicable.

# Article 38 - Maintenance of measures provided for protection of fire fighters

**Safety Evaluation** Broadly Compliant

#### Observations

The premises has a premises information box located in the main section (middle section) of the premises, this holds plans and keys to the premises. The premises has a Dry rising main fitted to the premises. The inlet to this is located at the middle entrance and an outlet serves every floor in the protected lobbies outside of flats in the main section (middle section) of the premises only. The dry rising outlets are behind doors in these areas that can be accessed by a master key which is kept in the premises information box. The premises also has a firefighting lift with its own separate power supply and serves all floors, only in the main section (middle section) of the premises.

# Article 24 - Power to make regulations

Safety Evaluation Not Applicable **Observations** None

# **Article 27 - Powers of inspectors**

Safety Evaluation	Observations
Not Applicable	None

# **Article 29 - Current alterations notices**

Safety Evaluation	Observations
Not Applicable	None

# **Article 30 - Current enforcement notices**

Safety Evaluation	Observations
Not Applicable	None

# **Article 31 - Current prohibition notices**

Safety Evaluation	Observations	
Not Applicable	None	

# Article 32 - Offences

Safety Evaluation Not Applicable **Observations** None

Overall safety standard	
	Broadly Compliant
Management compliance level	
Management Compliance Level	1 - Well above average
Initial Expectation	Verbal action
Considered EMM?	Yes
Confirmed Action	Verbal action

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# Audit Conclusion

# 19/01/2022 13:36

This FSO1 audit was a revisit following my initial audit as part of the BRR workload. This is currently a premises under simultaneous evacuation and will continue to be monitored and re inspected every six months.

Prior to the audit I was able to complete the necessary research using Farynor, imapping, IMS, Companies house and primary authority. I was able to get in touch with the managing agents of the premises, Rendall and Rittner. They were able to provide me with information for the building. RAQ manages this building for them and reports any issues back to Rendall and Rittner. I was in touch with Estate manager for Royal Artillery Quays (RAQ)

I was unable to meet with Due to the current covid-19 situation I conducted the audit on my own whilst also adhering to the social distancing measures and wearing of a face mask.

The audit was to be carried out in three parts. First was an inspection of all available records and information gathering. The second part of the audit was to carry out a full premises inspection. The third part of the audit was to carry out a conclusion.

At the time of the audit there was evidence that the fire risk assessment was suitable and sufficient for the premises. The fire risk assessment was clear and in date from 28/01/21 and is subject to a new fire risk assessment being completed every year, therefore a new fire risk assessment is not due until 28/01/22. A clear and suitable emergency plan is in place and evidenced by fire safety notices and adopts a simultaneous evacuation, this is due to the premises having been identified as having external cladding and insulation issues and following investigation, the external cladding was found not to comply and is therefore being assessed to be replaced/remediated as part of an ongoing project. The planning application and application for local government grants is currently in process. In the meantime a temporary fire alarm system and `waking watch' patrolling externally has been put in place.

I confirmed with **that** the fire alarm panel in place in the premises is working in conjunction with the AOV system throughout the building and sounders are present and linked to the fire alarm panel in the common areas. This system is then linked to a main panel in the concierge office located at Tideslea Tower. This system is in accordance to the MHCLG guidance which was implemented when cladding issues were identified. There is also a waking watch in place to patrol the premises externally and in reporting and identifying potential issues and to help in the event of evacuation of the premises.

The fire action notices in the premises reflect the correct simultaneous evacuation strategy in place and residents are aware.

The second part of the audit was to carry out a full premises inspection.

I was able to audit all of the common parts of the premises.

I was unable to sample any flat front doors due to the covid restrictions. However, all the doors did look the same and no issues with these being fire doors is indicated on the fire risk assessment and should meet all minimum requirements.

I did note at the time of the audit that there were gaps under the fire doors leading to the staircase on floors 8, 7, 6 and 3. I advised that these should be reviewed by a competent person and works carried out.

The premises has an automatic opening ventilation in the lobby area outside of the flats in the form of automatic opening doors, which are designed to clear smoke from these areas and expelling it out of the building, enabling these areas to remain free from smoke and enable relevant persons to escape the premises if required. There is a premises information box located in the main entrance lobby which holds plans and keys to the premises. The premises has a dry rising main to the main section of the premises and a firefighting lift that serves all floors.

Lastly, I re-affirmed the issues which were identified. I informed **of** my findings and the enforcement process which we adhere too. I advised on remedial works that can be done to correct some of these issues

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identified. This has been followed up with an email confirming the areas identified and acknowledging that the building was Broadly Compliant with verbal advice given.

19/01/2022 13:36 Initial Expectation: Verbal action

# **Verbal Advice Given**

Advice given on article(s) 17

Verbal advice given can be seen in article 17.

# **Other Authorities to notify**

None

# Weeks to Complete Work

N/A

# **Specific instructions for Admin to Action**

None

Compliance calculation & signature	
Compliance Level	1 - Well above average
Property Risk Group	B - Sleeping familiar or Licensed Premises
Life Risk	-2.2
Actual Risk Score	4.68
Risk Score	4.75

## **Audit Timings**

Audit Duration	Travel Time	Post Audit Processing Duration
135	60	215



# **Fire Safety Audit Report**

Audit Information	
Audited By	
Audit Completed	29 March 2022
Location summary	
File No	94/183105
UPRN	10010220017
Building Name	TIDLOCK HOUSE
Address	TIDLOCK HOUSE
	EREBUS DRIVE
	THAMESMEAD
	SE28 0GD
Borough	Greenwich
Use	D - Purpose Built Flats>=4 floors
Responsible Team	FSR Greenwich & Bexley
Station Ground	E25 - Plumstead
Site Risk Score	4.75
Building Height band Total Floors	Unknown 9 Basement floors 0
Estimated number of sleeping	0 Basement noors 0
Special Features	0
Additional detail	Ground floor level car park. The car park area is only for this premises.
	Plant rooms, main electrical intake and lift motor room for the premises
	are in the ground floor car park area.
	Dry rising main inlet can be found at the entrance to the main section
	(right section) and serves an outlet on all floors except the ground floor in
	the lobby areas outside of flats also only for the main section (right
	section) of the premises.
	Firefighting lift available and has its own power supply and serves all
	floors. Only available in the main section (right section) of the premises.
	Automatic ventilation system fitted in the form of automatic opening
	doors in the premises connected to the fire alarm panel in the main lobby
	and entrance to the premises. (Right Section)
	Automatic operating ventilation in the protected stairwell at the top of the
	shaft. Manual override call point located in the protected stairwell at each
	level. (Right section)
	Floor layout is as follows: Lower Ground floor, Upper Ground Floor, 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th, 6th and 7th.
	The premises has a common alarm system. This is not current linked to
	every flat. However, this work has been agreed and is due to be started
	soon.
	Concrete cladding over the whole external of the premises is not
	sufficient.
	Waking watch externally patrolling the premises. 1 Waking watch during
	the day and 2 at night.
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	Premises information box in the main section (middle section) of the premises in the entrance lobby. These hold plans and keys to the premises. The building management team RAQ are located on the estate. This concierge is available to all blocks on Erebus Drive and can be located at Tideslea Tower.
Premises Description	The property is a purpose built block of flats. Primarily built of concrete. Currently the property has insufficient identified cladding over the external walls of the premises. A common alarm system is fitted in the premises. However, a linked system to every flat is currently taking place, with most of the premises now completed. The premises has a waking watch patrolling externally the premises 24 hours a day. The property operates on an electronic access control system. The premises is one main column and one side annex's. The left side annex has its own entrance and is not linked to the main column in terms of entry access, but is linked to the same alarm system. The annex is 3 storeys in height and has automatic opening windows in the staircase and only contains six flats. The main section of the premises is the right section which is 9 storeys in height, has automatic opening doors in the lobbies outside of flats, has access to the Dry rising main and fireman's lift and contains 30 flats. There is also a ground floor car park. The ground floor car park area holds plant rooms serving the property, which include a water pump room and electrical intake. The site has adequate access for fire service vehicles and hydrants are provided outside of the premises in the road.
Exterior Wall Cladding	N/A
Exterior Wall Insulation	N/A
Cladding/Insulation details co	nfirmed by NOT CONFIRMED
Environmental Risks	NONE
Features assisting fire spread	NONE
Site Reinspection date Heritage Building Balconies present? Gas Supply present? Petroleum redevelopment? Known firesetting in area? Site lone worker risk	No No No No O

# Property Detail (DEFAULT PROPERTY)

Occupier Contact	Default Property
Address	TIDLOCK HOUSE
	EREBUS DRIVE
	THAMESMEAD
	SE28 0GD

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Responsible team	FSR Greenwich & Bexley	
Occupancy Type	Sole Occupier	
Property Use	D - Purpose Built Flats>=4 floors	
Valuation Office	R3 - Flats/Mais 4 Flrs and over PB	
Original Risk Score	4.75	
Reinspection Date	N/A (SAMPLE)	
Last Inspection	5 November 2021	
Total Capacity	0	
Maximum number of people	20-100	
Property Size for use	Medium	
	5001m <sup>2</sup> to 8300m <sup>2</sup>	
Environmental Risks	NONE	
Occupant Mobility	Average	
Fire Loading	Average	
Additional detail		
Specific lone worker risk	0	
Primary Authority Partnership	N/A	

# Protection Data (SHARED)

Fire Protection & Warning	Adequate
Unwanted fire signals count	0
AFD remote monitoring	No
Smoke ventilation	Natural
Covers MOE/Common areas?	Yes
Sprinklers Installed?	No
Access for fire-fighting	Average
Water supplies	Above average
Special Features	
# Fire fighting shafts	0
Engineered solution?	No
Trade off measures?	No
Evacuation type	Simultaneous Evacuation
History of fires?	No

# Contacts

Occupier	
Name	Default Property
Address	TIDLOCK HOUSE
	EREBUS DRIVE
	THAMESMEAD
	SE28 0GD

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Owner/Co-Owner	
Name Position Address	Holdings and Management (Solitaire) Limited Chief Executive Officer C/O The Property Management Department Estates & Management Ltd 302 Regents Park Road Finchley LONDON N3 2JY
Telephone Email	uk.com
Managing Agent	
Name Address	Rendall and Rittner 13B St George Wharf London SW8 2LE
Telephone Email	@rendallandrittner.co.uk
On Site Representative	
Name Responsible Person Position Address	Royal Artillery Quays Estate Manager Tideslea Tower Erebus Drive London SE28 0GF
Telephone Email	@theraq.co.uk
Other relevant contact	
Name Responsible Person Position Address	Rendall and Rittner Senior Property Manager 13B St George Wharf London SW8 2LE
Telephone Email	@rendallandrittner.co.uk

# **Enforcement history**

# Articles

# Article 9 - Risk assessment

SAFETY CRITICAL Safety Evaluation Broadly Compliant

# Observations

At the time of the audit there was evidence that the fire risk assessment was suitable and sufficient for the premises. The fire risk assessment was clear and in date and is subject to a new fire risk assessment being completed every year. A clear and suitable emergency plan is in place and evidenced by fire safety notices and adopts a simultaneous evacuation, this is due to the premises having been identified as having external cladding and insulation issues and following investigation, the external cladding was found not to comply and is therefore being assessed to be replaced/remediated as part of an ongoing project. The planning application and application for local government grants is **Fire Safety Audit** 

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currently in process. In the meantime a temporary fire alarm system and 'waking watch' patrolling externally has been put in place.

Residents have been made aware of the changes to the building and the evacuation strategy.

I noted at the time of my audit that the fire alarm system linked to each flat is still currently being fitted and is due to be completed in the next couple of months.

# Article 11 - Fire Safety Arrangements

SAFETY CRITICAL Safety Evaluation Broadly Compliant	Observations
	There is a proactive attitude to fire safety which is evident in the correct
	maintenance works carried out and use of signs to residents in how to protect themselves and be safe in the event of a fire.
	There is a system in place to report fire safety issues and deficiencies and
	ensure remedial works are implemented in a timely manner by a competent
	person.
	Some of the significant findings of the fire risk assessment have been either
	addressed or are in the process of being addressed.

# Article 13 - Detection and warning

SAFETY CRITICAL Safety Evaluation Broadly Compliant

# Observations

At the time of my audit there are smoke detectors located in the premises and in the lobby area outside of flats and in common areas that will activate the automatic opening ventilation in these areas and flat Lobby to remove smoke from these areas. The system is suitable and sufficient for the type of premises and the risks associated with it. This system is linked to a fire alarm panel in the ground floor main lobby of the premises, which is linked to the concierge main panel. There are sounders in the common areas connected to this fire alarm panel, this has been put into place in line with MHCLG guidance when the cladding issues were identified. However, all alarms and sounders in flats are being linked into the same system. The premises also has waking watch present patrolling the premises externally as well as a concierge team on site. The current evacuation strategy is simultaneous evacuation.

## Article 14 - Emergency routes and exits

SAFETY CRITICAL Safety Evaluation Broadly Compliant

Verbal Advice Given

At the

Observations

At the time of the audit, all fire exits and emergency escape routes and lobby areas were clear. This will allow all Relevant Persons the ability to escape quickly and safely in event of a fire. There is one final exit door located in the premises, the fire exit door and escape route is of sufficient and adequate width for the number of people who may be required to use them. The fire exit doors on escape route opens in the correct direction for the number of people using the premises. The designated emergency escape route leads to an ultimate place of safety and all relevant persons are aware of the route. I did note at the time of the audit that there was an electric scooter left outside in a flat lobby area. This was not currently being charged but does pose a risk as is a combustible item as well as being a trip hazard for other residents. I advised **second** to remind residents to keep all means of escape areas free and clear of items. I briefly described the risk of electric scooters and that this is a residents belonging which should be kept in their flat.

# Article 15 - Procedures for serious and imminent danger and for danger areas

SAFETY CRITICAL Safety Evaluation Broadly Compliant

#### Observations

At the time of the audit, there are appropriate procedures in place for evacuation in case of fire. The system in place is designed so that any incident is managed and to ensure the safe evacuation of all relevant persons. I confirmed with **solution** that the fire alarm panel in place in the building is working in conjunction with the AOV system throughout the building and sounders are present and linked to the fire alarm panel in the common areas as well as flats. This system is in accordance to the MHCLG guidance which was implemented when cladding was identified. There is also a waking watch in place to patrol the premises externally and for reporting and identifying potential issues and to help in the event of evacuation of the premises. All fire action notices in the premises are correct for simultaneous evacuation and evidence has been provided to residents of the evacuation strategy change.

# **Article 17 - Maintenance**

SAFETY CRITICAL	Observations
Safety Evaluation	At the time of the audit the final exit doors, Fire doors and maintenance of such
Broadly Compliant	was in place in the premises. It was found that these were in good working
Verbal Advice Given	order throughout the property. The provisions for fire safety and evacuation
	procedure has already been implemented for the premises.
	I did note at the time of the audit that wo fire doors from the flat lobbies to the
	protected staircase did not close into their frame correctly. I informed to
	have these checked and necessary adjustments made. I also advised to
	do regular checks on fire doors to make sure all are closed and operating as
	they should and that these are to remain shut.

# Article 21 - Training

**Safety Evaluation** 

Broadly Compliant

SAFETY CRITICAL Safety Evaluation Broadly Compliant	Observations	
	At the time of the audit there is evidence that suitable and sufficient training	
	and instruction has been provided for all employees on the appropriate	
	precautions and actions to be taken in order to safeguard themselves and other	
	Relevant Persons.	

# **Article 8 - General fire precautions**

**Observations** At the time of the audit there was no evidence to suggest any compartmentation issues. There were no cracks, holes or breaches identified in the compartments that I checked during the audit. It was evidenced that compartmentation issues had been completed, certificates for this and stickers of completed work are evidenced in the building.

# Article 10 - Principles of prevention to be applied

**Safety Evaluation** Broadly Compliant

#### Observations

At the time of the audit, there was evidence of appropriate instructions to relevant persons, in the preventative measures for fire safety. All relevant persons are instructed of the need for avoiding risk, the prevention of a risk and the evaluation of an existing risk in order to safeguard themselves and other relevant persons. There is evidence that risk has been considered for the premises, as a

competent person has carried out a suitable and sufficient risk assessment.

# Article 12 - Elimination or reduction of risks from dangerous substances

Safety Evaluation Not Applicable **Observations** This article is not applicable.

# **Article 13 - Fire Fighting Equipment**

Safety Evaluation Broadly Compliant	Observations
	There is no firefighting equipment provided due to this being a residential block
	of flats.

# Article 16 - Measures for dealing with dangerous substances affecting general fire

precautions

Safety EvaluationObservationsNot ApplicableThis article is not applicable.

#### Article 18 - Safety assistance

**Safety Evaluation** Broadly Compliant

#### Observations

At the time of the audit evidence was provided that a competent person had been appointed to carry out the fire risk assessment for the premises. The Fire Risk assessment details that only contractually competent persons will be hired with the sufficient training, knowledge, and experience and will be given the sufficient time and means to carry out their function in order to undertake any preventative and protective measures required for the premises.

# Article 19 - Provision of information to employees

Safety Evaluation Broadly Compliant

#### Observations

The fire risk assessment not only identifies the risks to them but also the preventative and protective measures in place, which are required in order to ensure the safety of themselves and other relevant persons. Information is provided for all employees on the procedures and measures to be taken in the event of an emergency are provided to further inform employees of their responsibilities and actions.

# Article 20 - Provision of information to employers and the self employed from outside undertakings

Safety Evaluation Broadly Compliant	Observations
	All staff and contractors who will work on the premises have to undergo training
	and have appropriate level of qualifications before undertaking any tasks.
	All contractors are to be informed of their responsibilities and action to take in
	the event of a fire related incident. The information given to outside employees
	are written and verbal instruction and this should be kept with the managing
	agent.
	They are informed of the preventative and protective measures in place and the
	procedures for the employee to follow onsite in event of a fire.

# Article 22 - Co-operation and co-ordination

#### Safety Evaluation Broadly Compliant

#### Observations

There is evidence that RAQ team report back any issues to their overall client, Rendall and Rittner. Systems are then agreed upon and implemented through this chain of communication and recommendations.

# Article 23 - General duties of employees at work

#### Safety Evaluation Broadly Compliant

# Observations

There is policy and procedure to adhere to in reporting all issues to the managing agent Rendall and Rittner and a procedure to ensure that the issue is followed up and resolved.

# Article 37 - Fire fighters switches for luminous tube signs

Safety Evaluation	Observations
Not Applicable	Not applicable.

# Article 38 - Maintenance of measures provided for protection of fire fighters

**Safety Evaluation** Broadly Compliant

#### Observations

The premises has a Dry rising main fitted to the premises. The inlet to this is located at the main entrance (right section) and an outlet serves every floor in the protected lobbies outside of flats in the main section (right section) of the premises only. The premises also has a firefighting lift with its own separate power supply and serves all floors, only in the main section (right section) of the premises. The premises also has a premises information box located in the main section (right section) of the premises, this holds plans and keys to the premises.

# Article 24 - Power to make regulations

Safety Evaluation Not Applicable **Observations** None

# **Article 27 - Powers of inspectors**

Safety Evaluation	Observations
Not Applicable	None

# **Article 29 - Current alterations notices**

Safety Evaluation	Observations
Not Applicable	None

# **Article 30 - Current enforcement notices**

Safety Evaluation	Observations
Not Applicable	None

# **Article 31 - Current prohibition notices**

Safety Evaluation	Observations	
Not Applicable	None	

# Article 32 - Offences

Safety Evaluation Not Applicable **Observations** None

Overall safety standard		
	Broadly Compliant	
Management compliance level		
Management Compliance Level	1 - Well above average	
Initial Expectation	Verbal action	
Considered EMM?	Yes	
Confirmed Action	Verbal action	

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# Audit Conclusion

### 29/03/2022 11:14

This FSO1 audit is a follow up audit. This building is currently part of a six monthly monitoring review due to its simultaneous evacuation procedure and cladding issues. I attended this visit with Station Commander as part of his Fire safety level 3 course.

Prior to the audit I was able to complete the necessary research using Farynor, imapping, IMS, Companies house and primary authority. I was able to get in touch with the managing agents of the premises, Rendall and Rittner. They were able to provide me with information for the building. RAQ manages this building for them and reports any issues back to Rendall and Rittner. I was in touch with Senior property manager

and Estate manager for Royal Artillery Quays (RAQ) who were able to send me all relevant documentation and the fire risk assessment before completing my audit.

I was able to meet with **and the end of the second from RAQ** to discuss the audit with me. Due to the current covid-19 situation I conducted the audit whilst also adhering to the social distancing measures.

The audit was to be carried out in three parts. First was an inspection of all available records and information gathering. The second part of the audit was to carry out a full premises inspection. The third part of the audit was to carry out a conclusion.

At the time of the audit there was evidence that the fire risk assessment was suitable and sufficient for the premises. The fire risk assessment was clear and in date and is subject to a new fire risk assessment being completed every year. A clear and suitable emergency plan is in place and evidenced by fire safety notices and adopts a simultaneous evacuation, this is due to the premises having been identified as having external cladding and insulation issues and following investigation, the external cladding was found not to comply and is therefore being assessed to be replaced/remediated as part of an ongoing project. The planning application and application for local government grants is currently in process. In the meantime a temporary fire alarm system and 'waking watch' patrolling externally has been put in place.

I confirmed with **second** that the fire alarm panel in place in the premises is working in conjunction with the AOV system throughout the building and sounders are present and linked to the fire alarm panel in the common areas and now in flats. Some flats are still having their system fitted, but works are present and the whole site is due to complete in the next couple of months. This system is then linked to a main panel in the concierge office located at Tideslea Tower. This system is in accordance to the MHCLG guidance which was implemented when cladding issues were identified. There is also a waking watch in place to patrol the premises externally and in reporting and identifying potential issues and to help in the event of evacuation of the premises.

The fire action notices in the premises reflect the correct simultaneous evacuation strategy in place and residents are aware.

The second part of the audit was to carry out a full premises inspection.

I was able to audit all of the common parts of the premises.

I was unable to sample any flat front doors on this visit. However, all the doors did look the same and no issues with these being fire doors is indicated on the fire risk assessment and should meet all minimum requirements.

At the time of my audit the issues identified were:

• Two fire doors leading from flat lobbies onto the protected staircase did not close into their frames correctly and require reviewing.

• Electric scooter in flat lobby. Ignition risk and combustible trip hazard for other residents. I was able to audit all of the common areas of the premises.

I advised **to** remind residents to keep all means of escape areas free and clear at all times and that fire doors must remain closed at all times. I also advised to have regular checks of fire doors.

The premises has an automatic opening ventilation in the lobby area outside of the flats in the form of automatic opening doors, which are designed to clear smoke from these areas and expelling it out of the building, enabling these areas to remain free from smoke and enable relevant persons to escape the

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premises if required. There is a premises information box located in the main entrance lobby which holds plans and keys to the premises.

Lastly, I re-affirmed the issues which were identified. I informed **constant** of my findings and the enforcement process which we adhere too. I advised on remedial works that can be done to correct some of these issues identified. This has been followed up with an email confirming the areas identified and acknowledging that the building was Broadly Compliant with verbal advice given.

## 29/03/2022 11:14

Initial Expectation: Verbal action

# Verbal Advice Given

Advice given on article(s) 17, 14

Verbal advice given can be seen in articles 14 and 17.

## Other Authorities to notify

None

#### Weeks to Complete Work

N/A

# Specific instructions for Admin to Action

None

Compliance calculation & signature		
Compliance Level	ce Level 1 - Well above average	
Property Risk Group	IP B - Sleeping familiar or Licensed Premises	
Life Risk	-2.1	
Actual Risk Score	4.7	
Risk Score	4.75	
Audit Timings		

Audit Duration	Travel Time	Post Audit Processing Duration
120	65	200



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The London Fire Commissioner is the fire and rescue authority for London

Date 29 March 2022 Our Ref 94/183096/OA

The Company Secretary Rendall and Rittner Limited C/O Rendall and Rittner Limited 13B St George Wharf London SW8 2LE

Dear Sir/Madam

## REGULATORY REFORM (FIRE SAFETY) ORDER 2005: NOTIFICATION OF FIRE SAFETY DEFICIENCIES

### Premises: Wyatt Point, Erebus Drive, Thamesmead SE28 0GL

The London Fire Commissioner (the Commissioner) is the fire and rescue authority for London. The Commissioner is responsible for enforcing the Regulatory Reform (Fire Safety) Order 2005 (The Order) in London.

The Commissioner's Inspectors have recently carried out an inspection of the above-mentioned premises. During the inspection, it was noted that some fire safety matters require attention to reduce the risk of fire and/or reasonably ensure the safety of people using the premises. These matters need to be addressed in order to comply with Regulatory Reform (Fire Safety) Order 2005 (the Fire Safety Order).

The matters that need to be addressed, together with the Commissioner's recommendations about the actions you should take are explained in the attached schedule. We recommend that action should be taken by **19 July 2022.** 

If you are in any doubt about what you need to do to comply with the Fire Safety Order; or if there is anything in the schedule that you do not understand or need further explanation of then please contact the Inspector named at the end of this letter. If you are dissatisfied in any way with the response given, please ask to speak to the Team Leader quoting the above reference.

You may also wish to know that fire safety guidance for businesses can be found on the Commissioner's web-site at <u>www.london-fire.gov.uk</u> under the heading 'Fire safety at work'. Additionally, guidance on general fire precautions and how to comply with the Fire Safety Order can be found at <u>www.Gov.uk</u> under the heading 'Fire safety law and guidance documents for business'.

When undertaking fire safety works at your premises you may need to seek approval for what you are going to do. Examples of this would include:

- any building works for which you are obliged to notify or seek the approval of Building Control.
- if your premises have a listed heritage status, approval from the local authority conservation officer; or
- if your premises are licenced then you may need to consult the relevant licensing or approvals authority.
- It is your responsibility to consult the relevant bodies and obtain any necessary approvals.

I would ask you to note that as well as placing people at risk, operating premises without having adequate general fire precaution in place to remove or reduce fire risk and to ensure people can safely escape if a fire does occur can result in a criminal offence being committed. This letter and its associated schedule are consequently issued without prejudice to any legal action the Commissioner may subsequently take regarding failures to comply with the Fire Safety Order.

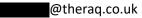
Yours faithfully,

PP

for Assistant Commissioner (Fire Safety) Directorate of Operations FSR-AdminSupport@london-fire.gov.uk

Reply to Inspecting Officer		
Direct T 020 8555 1200 ext:	/	

- Enc: Form FS03\_01b Legislation Extracts Form FS03\_06 Definitions of standard terms
- Cc: @homegroundonline.com



Notes to accompany the Notification of Deficiencies schedule.

## Important information to consider before taking remedial steps:

- 1. Certain terms written in BLOCK CAPITALS in the attached schedule are standard terms defined in "Definitions of standard terms used in means of escape requirements" which form part of this schedule.
- 2. Officers of the Commissioner may visit your premises again to check on the action you have taken.
- 3. Notwithstanding any consultation undertaken by the Commissioner, before you make any alterations to the premises, *you* must apply for local authority building control department approval (and/or the approval of any other bodies having a statutory interest in the premises) if their permission is required for those alterations to be made.
- 4. There may be suitable alternative safety measures to those detailed in this schedule, which would meet the requirements of the Order. If you wish to propose or discuss any alternative measures you should get in touch with the person named as the contact above, before you take any action, to ensure that your proposed measures are deemed satisfactory by the Commissioner.
- 5. Remedial steps must be undertaken by a competent person who has sufficient training, experience, knowledge, or other qualities to enable him or her to properly undertake them.
- 6. We recommend that remedial steps are undertaken in accordance with the appropriate British or European Standards, or recognised industry guidance.

## THE REGULATORY REFORM (FIRE SAFETY) ORDER 2005

Your rights when Fire Safety Inspecting Officers take action.

The Commissioner has a duty to enforce the Regulatory Reform (Fire Safety) Order 2005.

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## SCHEDULE

### PREMISES: Wyatt Point, Erebus Drive, Thamesmead SE28 0GL

## FILE NUMBER: 94/183096

This schedule should be read in conjunction with the Commissioner's letter dated **29 March 2022.** 

The condition(s) specified in the Regulatory Reform (Fire Safety) Order 2005, were being contravened and the following step(s) need(s) to be taken in order to comply with the above legislation:

Article	Area of Concern	Steps Considered necessary to remedy the contravention.
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	1) There was no review of the fire action notices in the car park area.	
	<ol> <li>There was no effective checking, testing, maintenance of systems.</li> </ol>	
	3) There was no review of the fire stopping in the ground floor cleaner's cupboard.	
	4) There was no review of the lobby door to staircase on the first floor missing beading from around the glass panel in the door.	
	5) There was no review of the fire stopping of the cupboard under the stairs in the small attached side blocks.	
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	2) Lobby door to staircase on the first floor, was missing beading from around the glass panel in the door.	2) Lobby door to staircase on the first floor, replace the missing beading around the glass panel in the door.

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Article 15	At the time of the audit, your procedures to be followed in the event of serious and imminent danger were inadequate. It was found that, there was no fire action notices displayed in the car park.	Adequate procedures for serious and imminent danger and for danger areas should be established and followed. This can be achieved by suitable fire action notices to be displayed in the car park area.
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Article 38	At the time of the audit, a suitable system of maintenance of the firefighting measures was not in place. It was found that, there was no maintenance testing documentation received for the dry rising main.	Arrange initial and ongoing maintenance to ensure firefighting measures are kept in an efficient state, working order, and good repair. This can be achieved by regular maintenance testing of the dry rising main.

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Date 16 December 2021 Our Ref 94/183102/OA

The Company Secretary Rendall and Rittner Limited C/O Rendall and Rittner Limited 13B St George Wharf London SW8 2LE

Dear Sir/Madam

# REGULATORY REFORM (FIRE SAFETY) ORDER 2005: NOTIFICATION OF FIRE SAFETY DEFICIENCIES

# Premises: Sark Tower, Erebus Drive, Thamesmead SE28 0GG

The London Fire Commissioner (the Commissioner) is the fire and rescue authority for London. The Commissioner is responsible for enforcing the Regulatory Reform (Fire Safety) Order 2005 (The Order) in London.

The Commissioner's Inspectors have recently carried out an inspection of the above-mentioned premises. During the inspection, it was noted that some fire safety matters require attention to reduce the risk of fire and/or reasonably ensure the safety of people using the premises. These matters need to be addressed in order to comply with Regulatory Reform (Fire Safety) Order 2005 (the Fire Safety Order).

The matters that need to be addressed, together with the Commissioner's recommendations about the actions you should take are explained in the attached schedule. We recommend that action should be taken by **05 May 2022.** 

If you are in any doubt about what you need to do to comply with the Fire Safety Order; or if there is anything in the schedule that you do not understand or need further explanation of then please contact the Inspector named at the end of this letter. If you are dissatisfied in any way with the response given, please ask to speak to the Team Leader quoting the above reference.

You may also wish to know that fire safety guidance for businesses can be found on the Commissioner's web-site at <u>www.london-fire.gov.uk</u> under the heading 'Fire safety at work'. Additionally, guidance on general fire precautions and how to comply with the Fire Safety Order can be found at <u>www.Gov.uk</u> under the heading 'Fire safety law and guidance documents for business'.

When undertaking fire safety works at your premises you may need to seek approval for what you are going to do. Examples of this would include:

- any building works for which you are obliged to notify or seek the approval of Building Control;
- if your premises have a listed heritage status, approval from the local authority conservation officer; or
- if your premises are licenced then you may need to consult the relevant licensing or approvals authority.
- It is your responsibility to consult the relevant bodies and obtain any necessary approvals.

I would ask you to note that as well as placing people at risk, operating premises without having adequate general fire precaution in place to remove or reduce fire risk and to ensure people can safely escape if a fire does occurs can result in a criminal offence being committed. This letter and its associated schedule are consequently issued without prejudice to any legal action the Commissioner may subsequently take regarding failures to comply with the Fire Safety Order.

Yours faithfully,

for Assistant Commissioner (Fire Safety) Directorate of Operations FSR-AdminSupport@london-fire.gov.uk

Reply to Inspecting Officer	
Direct T 020 8555 1200 ext:	

Enc: Form FS03\_01b Legislation Extracts Form FS03\_06 Definitions of standard terms Notes to accompany the Notification of Deficiencies schedule.

Important information to consider before taking remedial steps:

- 1. Certain terms written in BLOCK CAPITALS in the attached schedule are standard terms defined in "Definitions of standard terms used in means of escape requirements" which form part of this schedule.
- 2. Officers of the Commissioner may visit your premises again to check on the action you have taken.
- 3. Notwithstanding any consultation undertaken by the Commissioner, before you make any alterations to the premises, you must apply for local authority building control department approval (and/or the approval of any other bodies having a statutory interest in the premises) if their permission is required for those alterations to be made.
- 4. There may be suitable alternative safety measures to those detailed in this schedule, which would meet the requirements of the Order. If you wish to propose or discuss any alternative measures you should get in touch with the person named as the contact above, before you take any action, to ensure that your proposed measures are deemed satisfactory by the Commissioner.
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## FILE NUMBER: 91/000542

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Article 17	The corridors, lobbies, and the stairs used for access to and from of the flats in the premises (the access route(s)) are intended for use by relevant persons as a PROTECTED ROUTE. This route should provide a safe means of escape in event of fire, and must be maintained in an efficient state, in efficient working order, and good repair. During the audit, it was found that, the responsible person for management of the access route has not prevented or addressed deficiencies in the FIRE RESISTANCE of the PROTECTED ROUTE and required rectification of defects that have arisen in, and alterations made to, the protection to the access route. At the time of the audit, it was found that, flat front door number 58, has no positive action self closer fitted. Flat front door number 24 door is catching on the carpet, and not closing into the door frame.	Ensure that, the access corridor is returned to its intended state as a PROTECTED ROUTE, to afford protection from fire in a flat to relevant persons who may require use of that corridor for safe escape from the premises in case of fire. Remedial work that may be necessary for this purpose, must be assessed and completed by a competent person, who is practised in application of the relevant standards for means of escape. Your attention is drawn to the provisions of subsections (2) (3) and (4) of Article 17 of the Regulatory Reform (Fire Safety) Order 2005 in the attached extracts of legislation. You are advised that, walls in PROTECTED ROUTES should have a minimum of 60 minutes FIRE RESISTANCE. Openings in the walls leading to accommodation off a PROTECTED ROUTE (including doors in entrance ways, service openings, borrowed light glazing, holes around cables trunking and pipework) should be of a minimum 30 minutes FIRE RESISTANCE. Available means the responsible person could use to comply with Article 17 (1) may include enforcing terms of lease, and Landlord and Tenant/ Property legislation as lessor/owner.

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