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Date of response: 21 April 2023

Request:

We could do with copies of the past previous LFB Fire Safety Team Reports... in particularly blocks: 1 through 12, which covers flats: 1 to 72 Denmark Gardens, Carshalton SM5 2JN.

The inspection with [LFB] was during the summer of 2012 I believe.

We understand that the last available previous full LFB fire report, was from around July 2018, for which we would also appreciate copies, please by attachments.

Response:

Our Prevention and Protection team have confirmed that there are currently no fire safety records held for the building that contain 1 to 42 of Denmark Gardens, Carshalton SM5.

However, we do have fire safety records for the following buildings:

43-48 Denmark Gardens, Carshalton SM5 49-54 Denmark Gardens, Carshalton SM5 55-60 Denmark Gardens, Carshalton SM5 61-66 Denmark Gardens, Carshalton SM5 67-72 Denmark Gardens, Carshalton SM5

We do not have a record of any fire safety audits taking place at Denmark Gardens in 2012. We do have a record of the local crews undertaking a Planned Visual Audit at Denmark Gardens on 13 November 2012:

Туре	Address	Incident/ Visit ID	Time of call	Description	Job type
Station Visit	1 DENMARK GARDENS	11277996	13/11/2012	denmark gardens	Planned Visual Audit

It is my understanding that no further information will be recorded from this station visit.

Our Prevention and Protection team have confirmed the last fire safety audits took place at 43-72 Denmark Gardens in 2018. The table below shows the outcome of each of these fire safety audits (and details the relevant audit documentation attached to this response):

Building	Date of Audit	Outcome	Fire Safety Audit report attached to this response?
43-48 Denmark Gardens	11 July 2018	Low Risk – Verbal Outcome No enforcement action (informal or formal) was required as a result of the audit and no notices were issued.	Yes
49-54 Denmark Gardens	11 July 2018	Low Risk - Notification of Minor Deficiencies	I have attached a copy of the informal notification of (fire safety) deficiencies (NOD) letters issued in 2018 for these premises.
55-60 Denmark Gardens	10 July 2018	The result of the audit confirmed that some fire safety matters required attention to reduce the risk of fire and/or reasonably	Where a Fire Safety audit results in a notice (in this case, a NOD letter) being issued by the LFB, the fire safety reports themselves are exempt from release under the FOIA provisions under <u>Section 31 of the FOIA -</u>
61-66 Denmark Gardens	10 July 2018	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	aw 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
67-72 Denmark Gardens	10 July 2018	Order). As a result, an informal notification of (fire safety) deficiencies (NOD) was issued for the premises. 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).	withheld information could be used later 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</u> <u>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.
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Please note, personal data has also been removed from the attached documents under section 40 of the FOIA – Personal Information.

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>.

LONDON FIRE BRIGADE - FIRE SAFETY REGULATION Fire Safety Audit Summary

Audit Informa	tion		
Audited By			
Audit Completed		11 July 2018	
Location Sum	mary		
File No:	21/230852		
UPRN:	5220004844995		
Building Name:	FLATS 43-48		
Address:	43-48 DENMARK GARE	DENS	
Use: Borough:	H - Other sleeping according Sutton	ommodation	
Responsible Team:	FSR Croydon & Sutton		
Station Ground: Risk Score:	H37 - Wallington 4.25		
Number of Floors:	Total: 3	Basement: 0	
No. of Beds:	0		
Special Features:			
Additional Detail:	This is a purpose built block of self-contained flats of 3 floors (ground to second), built circa 1970's divided by a party wall into two separate sections, each section contains 6 flats (2 flats per floor) and is each served by a single non adjoining protected stair case.		
Environmental Risks:	, , ,		
Site Reinspection			
Heritage Building:			
Petroleum Redevelopment: Fire Fighter Risk:			
	perty summary		
Occupier Contact:			
		43-48 DENMARK GARDENS	
Address:		CARSHALTON	
Responsible Team	:	FSR Croydon & Sutton	
Occupancy Type:		Occupier - multi or single occupancy	
Use:		H - Other sleeping accommodation	
Valuation Office:		R2 - Flats/Maiso up to 3 Flrs PB	

Risk Score: Total Capacity: Maximum Number of	4.25 0 people: 0< 20			
Property Size for Use	: Extremely Small In M ² : <50			
Environmental Risks: Building features tha spread:	t may assist fire			
Flammable Materia				
Stored:				
Type:				
Lone Worker Ris	SK			
General location risks	No lone worker risk noted			
Contacts				
Contact Type	Occupier			
Sole Supplier Risk Name	Default Property			
Responsible				
Person				
Position				
Address	43-48 DENMARK GARDENCARSHALTON			
Telephone Fax				
Email				
URL				
Contact Type	Owner/Co-Owner			
Sole Supplier Risk	Cuthen Usuring Datharakin			
Name Responsible	Sutton Housing Partnership			
Person				
Position	Health & Safety Officer			
Address	Sutton Housing PartnershipSutton Gate1 Carshalton RoadSuttonSM1			
Telephone	4LE 0208			
Fax				
Email	@suttonhousingpartnership.org.uk			
URL	http://www.suttonhousingpartnership.org.uk/Home.aspx			
Contact Type Sole Supplier Risk	Other relevant contact			
Name	Sutton Housing Partnership			
Responsible				
Person				
Position				
Address	Sutton Housing PartnershipSutton Gate1 Carshalton RoadSuttonSM1 4LE			
Telephone				
Fax				
Email	@suttonhousingpartnership.org.uk			

http://www.suttonhousingpartnership.org.uk/Home.aspx

Enforcement History

Articles

Article 9 - Risk Assessment

SAFETY CRITICAL

Has a suitable and sufficient Fire Safety Risk Assessment been carried out for the premises?	"The responsible person shall make a suitable and sufficient assessment of the risks to which relevant persons are exposed to identify the preventive & protective measures"		
	Observations: 11/07/2018 11:55:FRA requested by email after		
	the inspection. FRA provided by email. FRA conducted on		
	03/03/18 by of Delco Safety Ltd and follows a PAS		
	79 format. Suggested review date 03/03/19 or following		
Compliance Level: Broadly Compliant	structural change or fire incident. RP will be conducting a review		
Leven broadly compliant	following the post fire in neighbouring block. The FRA details the		
	issues found at the time of inspection and RP has confirmed time		
	scales of implementing the significant finding - of note the		
	rubbish shoot is on a program of works for 2018/19.		

Article 10 - Principles of prevention to be applied

SAFETY CRITICAL

"Where the responsible person implements any preventative Have any preventative and and protective measures he must do so on the basis of the protecting measures been principles specified in Part 3 of schedule 1" implemented? Observations: 11/07/2018 12:10:The risk assessment Compliance Level: Broadly details the risk reduction measures, the measures to Compliant mitigate the effects of fire and the control measures.

Article 11 - Fire Safety Arrangements

SAFETY CRITICAL Is there effective Fire Safety Management?	"The responsible person shall make appropriate arrangements for the effective planning, organisation control, monitoring & review of preventive and protective measures"		
	Observations:	11/07/2018 11:56:There is evidence that fire safety	
	arrangements	have been managed with FAN displayed on the ground	
	floor detailing	a defend in place strategy and no smoking signs	
	displayed. The	re is provision of EL internally and externally above the	
Compliance	exits. Adequat	e Fire Exit signs displayed. There is an uncovered notice	
Level:Minor deficiency; Non-	board in the g	round floor hall however there were no signs of burning	
Compliant	damage. All fir	e doors that house services or cupboards were signed	
	as fire door ke	ep locked and were locked. At the time of inspection	
	the cleaner ha	d left out 'wet floor' plastic signs. There isn't a front	
	door to the co	mmunal part potentially allowing unauthorised access,	
	dumping of rubbish and arson - this has been identified in the FRA		

however Sutton Housing have identified that this isn't within the confines of this year's budget. External access to bin room however the rubbish shoot access is in the common part stair - RP has confirmed that this is on a program of works for 2018/19. Article 11 FS arrangements not maintained

At the time of the audit your preventative and protective measures had not been planned, organised, controlled monitored or reviewed where required. It was found that:

1) the protection to the escape route had not been controlled, monitored or reviewed as there were combustible materials being stored in the communal area (the cleaner had left out plastic 'wet floor' signs.

2)the risk of arson and protection to the escape route had not been controlled, monitored or reviewed as there isn't a front door to the communal part potentially allowing unauthorised access, dumping of rubbish and arson.

Remedy:

Arrangements identified as not suitably addressed must be effectively planned, organised, controlled, monitored or reviewed.

Article 17 - Maintenance

SAFETY CRITICAL Are fire safety provisions being adequately maintained?	"Where necessary in order to safeguard the safety of relevant persons, the responsible person must ensure that the premises and facilities, equipment & devices provided. are subject to a suitable system of maintenance, in an efficient state, in efficient working order and in good repair"		
	Observations: 11/07/2018 12:09:EL under service contract. Flat		
	front door sampled - Composite fire door measured at 44mm thick		
	with intumescent letter plate, x3 hinges, integrated intumescent		
	strip/cold smoke seal and a positive action self-closing device that		
	closed the door fully into the frame.Flat front door sampled -		
Compliance Level:Broadly	Composite fire door measured at 44mm thick with intumescent letter		
Compliant	plate, x3 hinges, integrated intumescent strip/cold smoke seal and a		
·	positive action self-closing device that closed the door fully into the		
	frame.Unable to check remaining flats due to residents being at work.		
	Though the deficiency wasn't identified in this block a number of self-		
	closing devices have been removed in the remaining blocks and		
	should be checked by the RP		

Article 38 - Maintenance of Measures Provided for Protection of Fire-Fighters Safety Critical

SAFETY CRITICAL

Are suitable arrangements in place to ensure that facilities, equipment and devices for use by or the protection of fire "Where necessary.to safeguard the safety of firefighters in the event of fire, the responsible person must ensure.facilities, equipment and devices provided.use by or protection of fire-fighters.suitable fighters are maintained in an efficient state, in efficient working order and in good repair? system of maintenance.maintained.working order and in good repair"

Compliance Level:Not Applicable Observations: 11/07/2018 12:14:N/A

Article 19 - Provision of information to employees

Is adequate provision made to provide information to employees?

"The responsible person must provide his employees with comprehensible and relevant information"

Compliance Level:Not Applicable

Observations: 11/07/2018 12:12:N/A

Article 20 - Provision of information to employers and the selfemployed from outside undertakings

provided to employers and employees from	"The responsible person must ensure that comprehensible and relevant information is provided to employees from outside undertakings and to ensure such employees from outside undertakings are provided with appropriate instructions and comprehensible and relevant information regarding any risks to that person"
	Observations: 11/07/2018 12:13:Only centrally sourced
Compliance Level:Broadly	approved contractors used and information is provided as
Compliant	required by this Article and is comprehensible, relevant and
	sufficient.

Article 22 - Co-operation and co-ordination

Is there adequate co-operation	"Where two or	more responsible persons	s share, or
and co-ordination between	have duties in	respect of, premises (Whe	ether on a
responsible persons where there	temporary or a	a permanent basis) each s	uch person
are two or more sharing		ate, Take all reasonable st	
responsibilities or have duties in		sary measures, and provi	de
respect of premises?	information"		
Compliance Level:Not Applicable	Observations:	11/07/2018 12:13:N/A	

Article 21 - Training

SAFETY CRITICAL Are employees being effectively trained? Compliance Level:Not

"The responsible person must ensure that his employees are provided with adequate safety training"

Observations: 11/07/2018 12:09:N/A

Article 12 - Elimination or reduction of risks from dangerous substances

SAFETY CRITICAL

Applicable

Are suitable arrangements in place to manage the elimination or reduction of risks from dangerous substance?

"Where a dangerous substance is present . the responsible person shall ensure that risk related to the . substance is either eliminated or reduced as far as is reasonably practicable"

Compliance Level:Not Applicable

Observations: 11/07/2018 12:10:N/A

Article 18 - Safety assistance

Are there adequate number of competent persons and arrangements in place to assist the responsible person in undertaking the preventative and protective measures?

Compliance Level: Broadly Compliant

"The responsible person must.appoint.competent persons to assist him in undertaking preventive and protective measures"

Observations: 11/07/2018

12:12:Competent persons appointed - maintenance engineer, fire risk assessor.

Article 14 - Emergency routes and exits

SAFETY CRITICAL "Where necessary to safeguard the safety of relevant persons in case **Is effective means** of fire the responsible person must ensure that routes to emergency **of escape provided** exits, and exits, are kept clear at all times and where required, to be **and maintained?** adequately illuminated by emergency lighting"

	Observations:	11/07/2018 12:03:Means of escape checked on all
	floors, clear ex	kit rout from flats to front door and supported by EL.
	Flat front door	s checked and are composite fire doors with integrated
	strips, seals a	nd positive action self-closing devices (see article 17).
	Service riser/	cupboard doors and fire doors giving access to the
	cupboard lobb	ies were locked as per signage - fire doors are correctly
	signed. Thoug	h the bin room is accessed on the ground floor
	externally the	bin shoot is found in the single escape stair and could
	provide a pass	sage for smoke to spread - this has been identified in
Compliance	the FRA and tl	ne RP has confirmed that this is on a program of works
Level:Minor deficiency; Non-	for 2018/19. 1	here is a vent above the ground floor cupboard (that
Compliant	was locked) sł	hould be covered.
	Article 14 Issu	es with emergency routes or exits
	At the time of	the audit the emergency routes or exits were
	inadequate. It	was found that there was an open vent above ground
	floor cupboard	I.
	Remedy:	
	Ensure adequa	ate emergency routes and exits, for use by relevant
	persons in the	premises, are available and can be safely and
	effectively use	d at all relevant times. This can be achieved by
	enclosing the	vent in 60 minute fire resisting material.

Article 8 - General Fire Precautions

SAFETY CRITICAL Are employers carrying out their general fire precaution responsibilities?	"The responsible person must - Take such general precautions as will ensure, so far as is reasonably practicable, the safety of any of his employees or relevant persons" (see Article 4, meaning of general fire precautions)		
	Observations: 11/07/2018 12:09:Though not a big breach at		
Compliance Level:Broadly	the time of inspection it was found that there was a		
Compliant	compartmentation issue where the water pipes entered the flats		
	above the doors (outside flats and on the top floor) -		

noted in the FRA and discussed with RP - article marked as broadly compliant as the work is programmed. Article 13 - Fire Warning Arrangements SAFETY CRITICAL "Where necessary.the responsible person must ensure that the Are effective fire premises are equipped with appropriate fire detection equipment, warning arrangements alarms, and fire-fighting equipment" provided? Observations: 11/07/2018 11:57:Common area inspected, no Compliance Level:Broadly fire warning arrangements in place - none needed in the common parts. BS5839 pt6 grade D or F detection in the flats. Article 13 - Fire Fighting Equipment Are effective fire fighting "Where necessary.the responsible person must ensure that equipment arrangements the premises are equipped with appropriate..fire-fighting provided? equipment" Observations: 11/07/2018 12:11:No FFE as per CLG Compliance Level: Broadly Compliant guidance and PBBF guide. Article 15 - Procedures for serious and imminent danger and for danger areas SAFETY CRITICAL "The responsible person must establish & where necessary give Are there adequate effect to, procedures, to be followed in the event of serious & imminent danger to relevant persons, nominate competent procedures for serious persons to implement procedures, inform & instruct relevant and imminent danger and for danger areas? persons concerned" Observations: 11/07/2018 12:07:The RP has well established and workable procedures to be followed in the event of serious Compliance Level: Broadly and imminent danger - defend in place. This is supported by the Compliant compartmentation of the premises and the FAN displayed on the ground floor. Article 37 - Fire-Fighters Switches for Luminous Discharge Tubes Has suitable notice been given to the fire authority regarding the "This article applies to apparatus" "designed to work at a voltage exceeding the prescribed voltage" "The cut off switch must be" installation of fire-

fighters switches? "placed, or "Prescribed voltage" responsib means: showing 1000v AC or 1500v DC marked" between two conductors. <u>Note</u> The 600 v AC or 900 v Dc between conductor and earth

Compliance Level:Not Applicable "This article applies to apparatus" "designed to work at a voltage exceeding the prescribed voltage" "The cut off switch must be" "placed, coloured or marked as to satisfy" "the fire authority" The responsible person must give suitable notice to the fire authority showing where the cut off switch is to be sited, coloured or marked"

<u>Note</u> This article does not apply to licensed premises authorised to for the exhibition of a film

Observations: 11/07/2018 12:14:N/A

Article 23 - General duties of employees at work

Are employees carrying out their general duties while at work? "Every employee must, while at work take reasonable care for the safety of himself and others, co-operate with their employer, inform their employer or any other employee with specific responsibility for the safety of his fellow employees of any hazard"

Compliance Level:Not Applicable Observations: 11/07/2018 12:14:N/A

The following articles <u>do not attract a score</u> and are for information only (primarily to inform Government IRMP returns); however these issues should be considered when applying the EMM.

Article 27 - Powers of inspectors

Has the Responsible Person prevented an inspector from exercising their powers under this Article where a prosecution has **not** been taken

No (Compliant)

Overall Safety Standard

Low Risk

Observations:

Management Compliance Level

Management Compliance Level: 1 - Well above average

Initial Expectation: Verbal Action

Considered EMM

Confirmed Action: Verbal Action

Audit Conclusion: 11/07/2018 12:16

Job raised as an IO reactive inspection following a fire in the neighbouring block (incident no.071401-05062018). Audit carried out on 27/06/18 by IO Rosling with all of the common parts inspected. Flat front doors sampled - although there was a positive action self-closing device on flats and it has been advised to conduct a survey of all doors as these were found to be missing/removed by the flat residents in the adjacent blocks. Issues found at the time of inspection were fed back to the RP via phone. RP confirmed that the bin shoots will be covered under a plan of upgrading works for 2018/19 and confirmed that there isn't the budget for installing a front door to the premises. The RP confirmed that they will be checking on all flats to ensure they have a positive action self-closing device fitted and reminding the tenants of their duty to not remove the self-closing devices. GN 66 issued to the RP via email with the Inspection outcome. Form not signed RP not present at time of audit.

11/07/2018 12:14

Initial Expectation: Verbal action

Specific instructions for Admin to action

Dear Admin,Please can you add the post code SM5 2JN to the premises address.Many thanks -

Audit Calculation & Signature

Management Compliance Level:

1 - Well above average

Property Risk Group:	A - Sleeping Unfamiliar
Life Risk:	-6.9
Relative Risk:	3.48
Signature of Occupier:	
Date Completed	



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

Date 25 July 2018 Our Ref 21/230512/ere

The Company Secretary Sutton Housing Partnership Limited Sutton Gate 1 Carshalton Road Sutton Surrey SM1 4LE

Dear Sir/Madam

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

Premises: 55-60 Denmark Gardens, Carshalton, Surrey SM5 2JN

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 **23 January 2019**.

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
- cc.: Surrey SM1 4LE

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.

If an Inspector:

tells you to do something - you have a right to a verbal and written explanation of what needs to be done and why.

Intends to take immediate action - for example by issuing an enforcement notice this will include a written explanation either forming part of the notice or by separate letter.

Issues a formal notice - you will be told in writing about your right to appeal to a magistrates' court. You will be told:

- how to appeal;
- where and within what period an appeal may be brought; and
- that action required by a prohibition/restriction notice is not suspended while an appeal is pending unless the court so directs.
- that action required by an enforcement notice is suspended while an appeal is pending.

Issues a Notification of Fire Safety Deficiencies - <u>full discussion should have taken place and</u> <u>agreed improvements to bring the premises up to minimal standards should be formulated.</u> <u>A</u> <u>Notification of Fire Safety Deficiencies carries no statutory force but may result in formal action being</u> <u>considered if the agreed improvements do not take place</u>.

The procedures and rights above provide ways for you to have your views heard. If you are not happy with the inspecting officer's action you should contact the Team Leader on the telephone number shown at the head of the covering letter in the first instance.

ENVIRONMENT AND SAFETY INFORMATION ACT 1988 SECTION 4 - PROTECTION OF TRADE SECRETS

The above Act requires the London Fire Commissioner to maintain public registers of notices issued under Article 30 of the Regulatory Reform (Fire Safety) Order 2005, (other than those which impose requirements or prohibitions solely for the protection of persons at work) and Sections 21 and 22 of the Health and Safety at Work etc, Act 1974.

Provisions are made within the Act for persons on whom the above notices are served to appeal against any proposed entry in the register which may disclose "trade secrets" or "secret manufacturing processes".

Entries in the register are required to be made after the period for appeal against the notice expires or after any appeal is disposed of.

If you feel that any such entry would disclose information about a trade secret or secret manufacturing process you may write to the Commissioner within a period of 14 days following the service of the notice, requesting exclusion of these details (see Section 4 of the 1988 Act).

SCHEDULE

PREMISES: 55-60 Denmark Gardens, Carshalton, Surrey SM5 2JN

File Number: 21/230512

This schedule should be read in conjunction with the Commissioner's letter dated **25 July 2018**.

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
Article 11	At the time of the audit your preventative and protective measures had not been planned, organised, controlled monitored or reviewed where required. It was found that;	Arrangements identified as not suitably addressed must be effectively planned, organised, controlled, monitored and reviewed.
	1) The protection to the escape route had not been controlled, monitored or reviewed as there were combustible materials being stored in the communal area (the cleaner had left out plastic 'wet floor' signs).	
	2) The risk of arson and protection to the escape route had not been controlled, monitored or reviewed as there isn't a front door to the communal part potentially allowing unauthorised access, dumping of rubbish and arson.	
Article 14	At the time of the audit the emergency routes or exits were inadequate. It was found that there was an open vent above the ground floor cupboard.	Ensure adequate emergency routes and exits, for use by relevant persons in the premises, are available and can be safely and effectively used at all relevant times. This can be achieved by enclosing the vent in 60 minute fire resisting material.

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Article 17	The corridors, lobbies and stairs used for	Ensure the access corridor is returned to its
	access to and from flats in the premises	intended state as a PROTECTED ROUTE to
	(the access route(s)) are intended for use	afford protection from fire in a flat to
	by relevant persons as a PROTECTED	relevant persons who may require use of
	ROUTE. This route should provide a safe	that corridor for safe escape from the
	means of escape in event of fire and must	premises in case of fire. Remedial work that
	be maintained in an efficient state, in	may be necessary for this purpose, must be
	efficient working order and good repair.	assessed and completed by a competent
	During audit it was found that the	person who is practised in application of the
	responsible person for management of the	relevant standards for means of escape.
	access route has not prevented or	Your attention is drawn to the provisions of
	addressed deficiencies in the fire	subsections (2) (3) and (4) of Article 17 of
	resistance of the PROTECTED ROUTE	the Regulatory Reform (Fire Safety) Order
	and/or required rectification of defects	2005 in the attached extracts of legislation.
	that have arisen in, and/or alterations	You are advised that walls in PROTECTED
	made to, the protection to the access	ROUTES should have a minimum of 60
	route. The PROTECTED ROUTE has been	minutes fire resistance. Openings in the
	compromised due to the lack of positive	walls leading to accommodation off a
	action self-closing devices to flat front	PROTECTED ROUTE (including doors in
	doors to ensure that the doors effectively	entrance ways, service openings, borrowed
	self close fully into the frame.	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
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Date 25 July 2018 Our Ref 21/230854/ere

The Company Secretary Sutton Housing Partnership Limited Sutton Gate 1 Carshalton Road Sutton Surrey SM1 4LE

Dear Sir/Madam

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

Premises: 49-54 Denmark Gardens, Carshalton, Surrey SM5 2JL

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SCHEDULE

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File Number: 21/230854

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SCHEDULE

PREMISES: 61-66 Denmark Gardens, Carshalton, Surrey SM5 2JN

File Number: 21/230856

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	2) Fire doors that give access to the cupboard lobbies, signed as keep locked shut, were unlocked.	2) Keeping fire doors that are signed as keep locked shut in accordance with the signage.
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RECOMMENDATIONS NOT FORMING REQUIREMENTS OF THE SCHEDULE

The Commissioner would strongly urge that you consider the presence of combustible façade cladding materials as part of the risk assessment process for these premises. All relevant information about any replacement window and facade schemes should be made fully available to fire risk assessors. Where no reliable information is available for a given property, a strategy to assess the risk and where necessary implement short, medium and long term actions to address the risk should be implemented.

Where remedial measures are to be undertaken to which consultation requirements under Section 20 of the Landlord and Tenant Act 1985 will apply, the Commissioner would urge you to consider application of the disapplication provisions under Section 20ZA of that Act.