



Information to residents regarding Fire Safety

This information is being shared with each resident following an improvement to Section 156 of the Building Safety Act 2022 (BSA) makes a number of amendments to the Regulatory Reform (Fire Safety) Order 2005 (FSO) to improve fire safety in all buildings regulated by the FSO.

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| Premises | Buckingham House, Huntingdon Road, Cambridge. CB3 0DF |
| Responsible Person (RP) | Dorothy Byrne, President |
| Address | President’s Office, Murray Edwards College, Huntingdon Rd, Cambridge. CB3 0DF |
| Person appointed to assist with making or reviewing risk assessments | Aaron Struggles TiFireE MIFSM |

Fire safety measures provided for the safety of any or all occupants

- An automatic fire detection and alarm system is installed throughout the premises.
- The fire alarm and detection system are tested and serviced.
- Emergency lighting is installed in all escape routes, this is serviced and tested.
- Emergency exit signage is installed throughout the premises.
- Appropriate fire extinguishers are installed throughout the premises and inspected annually.
- Self-closing fire doors are installed throughout the premises.
- The fire alarm is always monitored by the on-site security team (porters).
- Students receive instruction in what to do in the event of a fire on arrival at the college.
- Fire drills are held once a term in the academic year (per building).
- Suitable measures are taken to protect the premises from arson, this includes on site security, CCTV, and a secure site.
- Escape routes lead to a final exits, there are a sufficient number of escape routes and final exits and the distance to all final exits is acceptable.
- Suitable arrangements are in place for calling the fire service, this will be completed by the porters.
- Portable appliance testing is carried out on all electrical items as required.

Risks to residents identified by the fire risk assessment

- All doors that open onto a ‘Means of Escape’ (MOE) require changing to a FD30 Fire Door, this includes all doors in the property. This would include a full inspection of all Fire Doors by a Competent Person. **All fire doors will be inspected as part of a works programme, with remedial action completed as required as per FD30S Standard.**
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- There is a risk of students leaving kitchens unattended, this could result in fire as cooking could be left to burn. To prevent cooking appliances being unattended a cooking appliance timer could

be installed, which isolates the appliance at a set time. **The College have created a schedule of works to complete across all kitchens using a Competent Person for advice and installation.**

- There is currently no emergency site plan to hand over to the Fire and Rescue Services upon arrival at site. The plan should highlight all hazards relating to the buildings fire safety and helps to ensure the rescue services can make informed decisions in regards firefighting and rescue efforts. Drawings to include the location of all gas and electric distribution and isolation points, storage of chemicals and any fuel source including oil tanks and known hidden pipework, voids, and service spaces as well as safety measures such as fire hydrant points and riser inlets. **Following a review of all college fire risk assessments information for the fire service will be prepared.**