

FIRE RISK ASSESSMENT

Created For:
Glenhope High
Bryher, Isles of Scilly

Reference No: - 24103004

Valid Until: - 29th October 2025



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Customer Name:	Glenhope High
Property Address:	Glenhope High Bryher Isles of Scilly.
Property Postcode:	TR23 0PR
Telephone Number:	
Responsible Person:	Amy Langdon
Person Consulted:	Amy Langdon

Assessor Name:	Mr Maxwell Penprase
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Assessment Date:	30 th October 2024
Date of previous Assessment:	Unknown
Review Date:	29 th October 2025*

This fire risk assessment should be reviewed by the date indicated above* or at such earlier time as there is reason to suspect that it is no longer valid or there have been significant changes.

This assessment is based on the situation at the time of the site visit and, in part, on information given by others, the accuracy of which has not been verified.

1. THE BUILDINGS

Number of floors:	Two
Approximate building footprint:	50 Sq. Metres [E]
Brief details of construction:	Granite Cottage with slate on timber roof.
Occupancy:	Self-catering Holiday Let

2. THE OCCUPANTS

Approximate maximum number:	4 sleeping + 4 [E] daytime visitors.
Hire / Letting:	4

3. OCCUPANTS AT SPECIAL RISK

Sleeping Occupants:	4 Guests There is a room on the ground floor with a pair of bunks. There is a first floor sleeping area with a double bed.
Disabled Occupants:	Access is suitable for movement impaired persons into the premises and to the ground floor sleeping room.
Occupants in remote areas:	None
Others:	None

4. THE PREMISES

Premises Information:	
Number of rooms on entrance level:	Three + bathroom.
Number of bedrooms on entrance level:	One
Number of rooms on first floor:	One
Number of bedrooms on first floor:	One
There is a spiral staircase from the lounge up to the first floor sleeping accommodation.	

5. OTHER RELEVANT INFORMATION

Fire Loss:
None Known

Other Information:
This is a non-intrusive Fire Risk Assessment
No other information is known.
Testing and maintenance of fire safety related items is overseen by the Duchy.

6. RELEVANT FIRE SAFETY LEGISLATION

Fire Safety Legislation

The H.M.Govt document, "A guide to making your small paying-guest-accommodation safe from fire", applies to this establishment.

Hereafter this is referred to as "The HMG Guide"

This guide has superseded the previous guide titled: "Do you have paying guests?"

See:

[A guide to making your small paying-guest-accommodation safe from fire \(1\).pdf](#)

The regulatory Reform [Fire Safety] Order 2005 applies to this establishment.

It must be clearly understood by all responsible persons that the above Act is law, and that breach of this law can result in unlimited fines and / or imprisonment. See:

<http://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukxi/2005/1541/article/32/made>

<https://www.fia.uk.com/news/removal-of-cap-on-magistrates-court-fines-for-fire-safety-and-other-offences.html>

FIRE HAZARDS AND THEIR ELIMINATION OR CONTROL

7. ELECTRICAL SOURCES OF IGNITION

7.1	Reasonable measures taken to prevent fires of electrical origin.	Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>
7.2	More specifically:				
	Fixed installation periodically inspected and tested?	Yes	See note	No	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Portable appliance testing carried out?	Yes	See note	No	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Suitable policy regarding the use of personal electrical appliances?	Yes	See note	No	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Suitable limitation of trailing leads and adaptors?	Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Are electric vehicle charging facilities provided?	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
7.3	Comments and hazards observed:				

**The Electrical wiring system has been tested.
 The date of the most recent test is 23 January 2018
 The system should be re tested without delay.
 All circuits of the fixed electrical system must be tested according to BS 7671 [I.E.E. Regulations]. A copy of the valid test results should be kept with the fire records.
 The inspection must be carried out by a certificate holder of the National Inspection Council for Electrical Installation Contracting [NICEIC]**

Remedial work identified in the NICEIC inspection, must be carried out without delay.

**Ensure that the distribution board/s comply with BS7671.
 i.e. that consumer units are “of non-combustible material,
 or enclosed in a cabinet or enclosure constructed of non-combustible material”.**

See the note in section 19 re Fire Stopping.

The date of the most recent Portable Appliance testing is : - 13 January 2024

All Portable Appliances provided with the hired accommodation that are more than 12 months old, must be tested and marked with an ‘industry standard’ label.

The “Guest Welcome/Information Documents” must state clearly that all electrical equipment must be un-plugged or isolated when not in immediate use.

8. SMOKING

8.1	Reasonable measures taken to prevent fires as a result of smoking?	Yes	See note	No	
8.2	More specifically:				
	Smoking prohibited in appropriate areas?	Yes	See note	No	
	Are appropriate smoking facilities provided?	Yes	See Note	No	
	Is the policy fully adhered to?	Yes	See note	No	
8.3	Comments and hazards observed:				

The HMG Guide states: -

Smoking is a common cause of fire in domestic premises and results in more fatalities than any other cause.

The accommodation owner must decide if smoking [in any format, including vaping] is to be allowed within the premises.

This must be made clear at the time of booking and in the “Guest Welcome/Information Documents”.

The HMG Guide states: -

If you allow people to smoke in your premises, suitable provisions, such as safety ashtrays and bins, should be provided for the safe disposal of cigarettes and other smokers’ materials.

The HMG Guide states: -

If you do not want to permit smoking in bedrooms, signs must be displayed.

The “Guest Welcome/Information Documents” must make clear the Smoking Policy for the garden /external area.

If smoking is permitted in this area, a suitable non-combustible receptacle must be provided.

9. ARSON

9.1	Does basic security against arson by outsiders appear reasonable?	Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>
9.2	Is there an absence of unnecessary fire load in close proximity to the building or available for ignition by outsiders?	Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>

9.3 Comments and hazards observed:

Reasonable measures appear to be taken to prevent fires as a result of arson. This appears satisfactory and should be maintained.

Waste control is adequate.

The HMG Guide states: -

You should make sure that combustible materials, refuse, and recycling bins are kept clear of the premises (particularly any windows) to reduce the risk that an external fire will spread into the premises through windows and other openings.

10. PORTABLE HEATERS AND HEATING INSTALLATIONS

10.1	Is the use of portable heaters avoided as far as practicable?	Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>		
10.2	If portable heaters are used:						
	Is the use of the more hazardous type [e.g.: radiant bar fires or LPG appliances] avoided?	N/A	<input type="checkbox"/>	Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Are suitable measures taken to minimise the hazard of ignition of combustible materials?	N/A	<input type="checkbox"/>	Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>
10.3	Are fixed heating installations subject to regular maintenance?	N/A	<input type="checkbox"/>	Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>
10.4	Comments and hazards observed:						

**At the time of the Fire Risk Assessment there was a plug-in imitation wood burner in the lounge.
This is subject to the PAT testing procedure. See Section 7 above.**

**These premises are heated by electricity.
The heating system will be subject to the fixed electrical testing as detailed in Section 7 above.**

At the time of the Fire Risk Assessment, there were no gas fuelled heaters on site.

If any devices that burn fossil fuels are introduced, then a Carbon Monoxide Detector must be fitted nearby. This must be tested at least once per month and a record kept.

11. COOKING

11.1	Are reasonable measures taken to prevent fires as a result of cooking?	N/A	<input type="checkbox"/>	Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>
11.2	More specifically:						
11.3	Filters changed and ductwork cleaned regularly?	N/A	<input type="checkbox"/>	Yes	See note	No	<input type="checkbox"/>
11.4	Is automatic fixed suppression fitted?	N/A	<input type="checkbox"/>	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
11.5	Are suitable extinguishing appliances available?			Yes	See note	No	<input type="checkbox"/>
11.6	Comments and hazards observed:						

All appears satisfactory with regard to cooking facilities.

The HMG Guide states: -

“In self-catering accommodation, although guests are not expected to use fire-fighting equipment, you may wish to provide a small multi-purpose fire extinguisher and/or fire blanket in the kitchen area.”

“You can buy suitable multi-purpose extinguishers, guaranteed for five years, from a range of larger DIY outlets. You should check the gauge regularly to make sure the ‘stored pressure’ has not leaked. Low maintenance 10-year extinguishers are also available.”

“Multi-purpose powder fire extinguishers should not be provided, as they are not suitable for use in enclosed spaces.”

A fire extinguisher and a fire blanket is provided as indicated above.

The cooker hood was clean at the time of the fire risk assessment.

Deep fat frying must be prohibited on this site.

This must be made clear in the “Guest Welcome/Information Documents”.

All kitchen appliances except refrigerators and deep freezers must be unplugged when not in immediate use and must always be unplugged at night.

Washing machines and tumble dryers must not be left running unattended nor used when everyone is sleeping.

This must be made clear in the “Guest Welcome/Information Documents”.

12. LIGHTNING

12.1	Does the building have a lightning protection system?	Unable to ascertain	<input type="checkbox"/>	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
12.2	Comments and hazards observed:						

At the time of the Fire Risk Assessment no lightning protection system was seen.

13. OTHER SIGNIFICANT IGNITION SOURCES THAT WARRANT CONSIDERATION

13.1 Ignition sources:

Provision for a BBQ was seen at the time of the fire risk assessment visit.

It is located more than three metres from the premises.

13.2 Comments and hazards observed:

The Barbeque policy must be made clear in the “Guest Welcome / Information Documents”.

With regard to barbecues, guests must be instructed to follow BBQ safety advice which is available online.

Also, the barbecue must not be brought within 3 metres of any building whilst it is still warm, as it could emit deadly toxic carbon monoxide which could enter the building through a window or doorway.

Candles and other live flames must be prohibited within the building, this must be made clear in the “Guest Welcome/Information Documents”.

**No flammable substances [e.g., LPG, liquid fuels etc] are to be brought onto the premises.
This must be made clear in the “Guest Welcome/Information Documents”.**

14. HOUSEKEEPING

14.1 Is the standard of housekeeping adequate? **Yes** **No**

More specifically:

14.2	Combustible materials appear to be separated from ignition source?	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Avoidance of unnecessary accumulation of combustible materials and waste?	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Appropriate storage of hazardous materials? N/A <input type="checkbox"/>	Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Avoidance of inappropriate storage of combustible materials?	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Is disposal of aerosols and saturated fabrics satisfactory?	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>

14.3 Comments and hazards observed:

**Housekeeping is of a good standard.
This must be maintained.**

15. HAZARDS INTRODUCED BY OUTSIDE CONTRACTORS AND BUILDING WORKS

15.1	Is there satisfactory control over works carried out in the building by outside contractors [including 'hot work' permits]?		Yes	See note	No	
15.2	Are fire safety conditions imposed on outside contractors?		Yes	See note	No	
15.3	If there are in-house maintenance personnel, are suitable precautions taken during 'hot work', including use of hot work permits?	N/A		See note	No	

15.4 Comments and hazards observed:

There must be control over all work carried out in the building. These controls must include a method Statement, a Risk Assessment [complete with suitable countermeasures] and a Permit to Work.

16. DANGEROUS SUBSTANCES

16.1	If dangerous substances are, or could be used, has a risk assessment been carried out, as required by the Dangerous Substances & Explosive Atmospheres Regulations 2002?	N/A		Yes	See note	No	
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16.2 Comments:

At the time of the Fire Risk Assessment no dangerous substances were seen.

It must be made clear in the "Guest Welcome/Information Documents" that the following may be in the premises in small quantities only.

- 1. Alcohol based hand sanitiser. [Maximum 100ml]
- 2. Nail polish remover. [Maximum 100ml]
- 3. Cooking Oil. [Maximum 1 Litre]

Any substance that guests bring on to the premises must be removed when they leave.

17. OTHER SIGNIFICANT HAZARDS THAT AFFECT GENERAL FIRE PRECAUTIONS

17.1 Comments and hazards observed:

No other significant hazard was seen or reported during the Fire Risk Assessment. This must be reviewed should the situation change.

FIRE PROTECTION MEASURES

18. MEANS OF ESCAPE FROM FIRE

18.1	It is considered that the building is provided with reasonable means of escape in case of fire?		Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>
18.2	More specifically:					
18.3	Adequate design of escape routes?	N/A		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Adequate provision of exits?		Yes	See Note	No	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Are exits easily and immediately openable?		Yes	See Note	No	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Avoidance of sliding or revolving doors as fire exits?		Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Satisfactory means of securing exits?		Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Are travel distances suitable?					
	• Where there is a single direction of travel?		Yes	See note	No	<input type="checkbox"/>
	• Where there are alternative means of escape?		Yes	See note	No	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Suitable protection of escape routes?		Yes	See note	No	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Are escape routes unobstructed?		Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>
18.4	Are the premises provided with suitable means of escape for disabled occupants?		Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>
18.5	Are External escape routes safe and unobstructed?	N/A		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>
18.6	Is the Assembly point identified?		Yes	See note	No	<input type="checkbox"/>
18.7	Is the Assembly Point safe to reach?		Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Is there a drawing of the premises with escape routes marked?		Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	See note
18.8	Comments and hazards observed:					

Safe evacuation is a major part of the fire protection in these premises.

The HMG Guide states: -

Exit routes should be suitable for use by disabled people, other vulnerable people, or children. If this is not achievable, the premises should be clearly advertised and marketed as having certain features that may make it more difficult for some people, for example people with specific disabilities, vulnerable people, or children, as appropriate.

Travel distances appear to comply with Approved Document B.

See section 19 regarding the protection of escape routes.

The size of these premises does not warrant an official Assembly Point.

There is only one escape door on the ground floor.

MEANS OF ESCAPE FROM FIRE Cont'd

- 18.8.1 To provide an escape route from the first-floor bedroom and the lounge, without passing through the kitchen area, one of the windows in the lounge must be converted by fitting an outward opening casement window, hinged at one side. It must be hung such that the available aperture is kept to a maximum. The window must not have a lockable window catch.

The means of escape from the 1st floor is via an internal spiral staircase to the ground floor.

- 18.8.2 To facilitate escape in the event of an emergency, the following precautions must be taken and maintained:

1. The fire detection and alarm system must be properly up-graded as detailed in section 22 below.
2. Emergency lighting must be provided / maintained as detailed in section 20 below.
3. Escape routes both internal and external must be kept clear of items that will block escape or create trip or slip hazards. This must be made clear in the "Guest Welcome/Information Documents".
4. All internal doors must be closed at night. This must be made clear in the "Guest Welcome/Information Documents".
5. The exit door locks must be of the 'keyless' type on the inside such that persons can escape without the need for a key. [See note 4a below.]
6. There must be a green and white sign to indicate the direction of rotation to UNLOCK the doors.
7. A multi-purpose fire extinguisher and a fire blanket should be provided in the kitchen area.
8. A multi-purpose fire extinguisher should be provided on the First-floor landing.

- 18.8.3 Note 4a
Approved Document B states: -

"... doors on escape routes ...should be ... :

2. *fitted only with simple fastenings that are all of the following:*
 - I. *easy to operate; it should be apparent how to undo the fastening*
 - II. *operable from the side approached by people escaping*
 - III. *operable without a key [or any other device]*
 - IV. *operable without requiring people to manipulate more than one mechanism"*

Glenhope High is compliant with the requirements specified above. [Section 18.8.3]

A green and white sign which indicates in which direction the knob must be turned to UNLOCK the door must be fitted do both final exit doors.

Note. Yale type locks must not have a keyhole on the inside.

19. MEASURES TO LIMIT FIRE SPREAD AND DEVELOPMENT

19.1 It is considered that there is:

Compartmentation of a reasonable standard? <small>[Note. Based on a visual inspection of readily accessible areas, with limited sampling where appropriate.]</small>	Yes	See note	No	
Are internal doors suitable?	Yes	See note	No	
Reasonable limitation of linings that may promote fire spread?	Yes	See note	No	

19.2 Comments and deficiencies observed:

Approved Document B requires compartmentation in order to protect human life by providing protected escape routes, protected stairways, and protected lobbies.

Compartmentation also slows the spread of fire from one compartment to another.

Where any services pass through fire barriers, whether vertical or horizontal, any gaps around such services must be filled in such a way that fire cannot pass through.

This must comply with: - *Approved Document B Section: Protection of openings and fire-stopping.*

Because of the unique circumstances, rehang the door on the bunk room bedroom on the ground floor to open outwards but in the opposite direction. i.e. Opening outwards with the door handle on the right hand side when viewed from the kitchen / dining area.

This will improve the escape route for persons from the bunk room in that they will not need to negotiate their way around the door to affect their escape.

The HMG Guide states: -

Furniture should comply with the Furniture and Furnishings (Fire) (Safety) Regulations 1988 (as amended). This is usually indicated by a label attached to the item.

20. ESCAPE LIGHTING

20.1 Reasonable standard of escape lighting system provided?

Yes

See
note

No

NOTE: Based on a visual survey of emergency lighting only. No tests or verification of compliance with the relevant standards were conducted at the time of the Fire Risk Assessment.

20.2 Comments and hazards observed:

[Emergency lighting is a major part of the fire protection in these premises.](#)

Escape lighting must comply with the guidance given in The HMG Guide.

A summary is as follows:

“ ... it may be acceptable to rely on rechargeable torches that illuminate automatically if the electrical supply fails. In that case, you should have one in each bedroom, with a sign that explains their function.”

This is applicable at these premises.

These should also be provided in hallways, staircases and the kitchen.

Torches are provided at Glenhope High in accordance with the guidance above.

If torches are provided, they must be checked at each change over and records kept.



Torches were seen at the time of the fire risk assessment however they were not plugged into the mains power supply.

Before letting these must be placed in their holder which must be plugged into a live 13 amp electrical outlet and given time to charge.

The function of these is explained in one of the documents in the premises.

If this is not practical due to torches ‘going missing’, then fixed emergency lighting must be provided in the locations stated above. Discrete emergency light fittings are available. This option is strongly recommended.

It is understood that guests tend to remove the emergency torches from the 13-amp socket outlets for some reason or another.

It must be made clear in the “Guest Welcome/Information Documents” that these torches are a life safety provision and **MUST** be left in the 13amp sockets that are switched on.

If the practise of removing them continues, then fixed emergency lighting must be fitted such that, should evacuation be necessary during the hours of darkness, the escape routes are adequately illuminated.

21. FIRE SAFETY SIGNS AND NOTICES

21.1	Reasonable standard of fire safety signs and notices?	Yes	<input type="checkbox" value="See note"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>
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21.2 Comments and hazards observed:

The HMG Guide states:

In simple premises, the escape routes and exits are likely to be obvious and in daily use and, as such, there will normally be no requirement to provide fire exit signs.

This is applicable at these premises.

There must be a green and white sign to indicate the direction of rotation to unlock the turn knob on any escape doors if the lock is unidirectional.

22. MEANS OF GIVING WARNING IN CASE OF FIRE

22.1	Is there an automatic fire detection and alarm system provided that complies with the "The HMG Guide" (BS5839 Part 6 Grade D/F LD2)?	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
22.2	Is there a working telephone on site (landline)?	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

22.3 Comments and hazards observed:

[The fire detection and alarm system is a major part of the fire protection in these premises.](#)

22.4 'The HMG Guide' states with regard to raising the alarm in event of fire:

" ... there will be a need for interlinked domestic smoke alarms and heat alarms (of the type normally found in houses and flats) in all areas where a fire might start. Smoke alarms should be installed in hallways, corridors, staircases, lounges, dining rooms and bedrooms."

"Heat alarms should be installed in every kitchen, and in any other rooms (such as laundry or utility rooms), in which false alarms might occur from smoke alarms, due to cooking fumes, steam, dust, etc."

"If roof voids contain any combustible materials or sources of ignition, detection should also be present there. It is not normally necessary to install smoke or heat alarms in bathrooms or toilets".

"All smoke and heat alarms in the premises should be interlinked, so that, when any alarm device detects fire, all smoke and heat alarms give an audible alarm simultaneously. Interlinking may be by means of wiring or radio signalling."

"Preferably, all smoke and heat alarms should be mains powered with a tamper-proof standby power supply consisting of a battery. These are technically known as Grade D1 alarms. However, long-life, sealed battery alarms (known as Grade F1 alarms) may be acceptable as a short-term measure. (say, around 2-3 years)."

The fire detection and alarm system in Glenhope High complies with the above statements; however, because of the circumstances, fit a smoke detector in the kitchen in addition to the existing heat detector. It must be interlinked with the existing alarm system.

The smoke detector should be located on the ceiling in a position that will enable the earliest detection of smoke.

Its position must comply with BS5839.

The fire detection and alarm system must be tested on every change over and a record kept.

Testing is carried out by pressing the test button on a different detector at each change over.

All of the detectors in the premises must sound at the same time.

Any faults must be reported and be rectified before re-letting.

The HMG Guide states that: -

If the mobile telephone signal is weak, consider providing a landline telephone for the purpose of contacting the emergency services.

It must be made clear to all visitors and guests that there is no telephone available within the premises whereby an emergency call can be made.

This should be included in the "Guest Welcome/Information Documents"

23. MANUAL FIRE EXTINGUISHING APPLIANCES

23.1	Reasonable provision of portable fire extinguishers?	Yes	See note	No	<input type="checkbox"/>
23.2	Are all fire extinguishing appliances readily accessible?	Yes	See Note	No	<input type="checkbox"/>

23.3 Comments and hazards observed:

“The HMG Guide” states: -

“In self-catering accommodation, although guests are not expected to use fire-fighting equipment, you may wish to provide a small multi-purpose fire extinguisher and/or fire blanket in the kitchen area.”

“You can buy suitable multi-purpose extinguishers, guaranteed for five years, from a range of larger DIY outlets. You should check the gauge regularly to make sure the ‘stored pressure’ has not leaked. Low maintenance 10-year extinguishers are also available.”

“Multi-purpose powder fire extinguishers should not be provided, as they are not suitable for use in enclosed spaces.”

A suitable multi-purpose fire extinguisher and a fire blanket is provided in the kitchen.

A suitable multi-purpose fire extinguisher must be provided on the first-floor landing. At the time of the Fire Risk Assessment, there was a Fire Blanket on the first-floor landing. This may remain if so desired.

The fire extinguishing appliances should be readily visible and accessible.

A statement in the “Guest Welcome/Information Documents” should state that Fire Extinguishers should only be used to aid escape and protect human life.

The manual fire extinguishing appliances must be checked at each change over and a record kept.

24. OTHER RELEVANT HAZARD OR OBSERVATIONS

24.1 Comments:

At the time of the Fire Risk Assessment there was no other relevant observation or data.

MANAGEMENT OF FIRE SAFETY

25. PROCEDURES AND ARRANGEMENTS

- 25.1 Person responsible for fire safety: **Amy Langdon**
- 25.2 Competent person[s] available to assist in implementation of fire safety legislation? N/A Yes No

Comments:

Persons involved with fire management are considered to be suitably competent.

- 25.3 Appropriate fire procedures in place? N/A Yes **See note** No

Comments:

The HMG Guide states: -

Exit routes should be suitable for use by disabled people, other vulnerable people, or children. If this is not achievable, the premises should be clearly advertised and marketed as having certain features that may make it more difficult for some people, for example people with specific disabilities, vulnerable people, or children, as appropriate.

It is considered that the ground floor exit routes at Glenhope High meet the requirement above for being suitable for disabled persons.

The HMG Guide also states: -

Suitable fire procedures must be developed to ensure that staff, guests and visitors are made aware of what action they need to take in the event of a fire.

Provide a “Guest Welcome/Information Documents” Pack.

The welcome / information pack is important in that it contains essential safety information and is intended for the guests to read when they first arrive at the premises.

The attention of the booking guest must be drawn to this document pack during the booking procedure.

PROCEDURES AND ARRANGEMENTS Cont'd

The following instructions, and the building address, must be included in the "Guest Welcome/Information Documents" and be the subject of a notice put in a prominent place.

The notice must have a large heading which reads, "FIRE NOTICE"

1. The senior member of the hiring group must discuss the possibility of a fire and the need to immediately evacuate the premises with the rest of the group. This conversation must take place as soon after arrival as possible.
2. Each group member must know what action they must take in the event of a fire
3. Each group member must ensure that they are familiar with the building.
4. The first priority is to evacuate the building.
5. When evacuating the building close all doors behind you.
6. The fire brigade should be called from outside of the building
7. All doors must be tightly closed at night and escape routes must be free from trip and slip hazards and obstructions.
8. Candles and other live flames are prohibited within the building.
9. All electrical equipment should be unplugged when not in immediate use.
10. No flammable liquids shall be brought into the premises.
11. See the barbecue policy below
12. See the smoking policy below

The Address of this property is: -

*Glenhope High
Bryher
Isles of Scilly
TR23 0PR*

PROCEDURES AND ARRANGEMENTS Cont'd

The smoking policy must be inserted in the text box below and must be included in the "Guest Welcome/Information Documents".

The smoking policy is as follows: -

The barbecue / fire pit policy must be inserted in the text box below and must be included in the "Guest Welcome/Information Documents".

The barbecue / fire pit policy is as follows: -

These procedures, notices, etc., must be in place prior to ongoing letting.

The existence of the "Guest Welcome/Information Documents" and the notice in the premises should be checked on change over. If for some reason either is missing it must be replaced.

25.4 People nominated to respond to fire? N/A Yes [See Note](#) No

Comments:

It must be made clear in the "Guest Welcome/Information Documents" that evacuation of the building is the responsibility of the senior member of the hiring group and that evacuation must be the first priority. It must also be made clear that Fire Extinguishers must only be used to aid the preservation of human life, i.e. helping persons to escape.

25.5 People nominated to assist with evacuation? N/A Yes [See note](#) No

Comments:

It must be made clear in the "Guest Welcome/Information Documents" that the senior members of the hiring group must take responsibility for ensuring that the premises are totally evacuated in the event of an emergency, for instance fire, and the Fire and Rescue Service is called.

PROCEDURES AND ARRANGEMENTS Cont'd

25.6	Appropriate liaison with fire brigade?	N/A	<input type="checkbox"/>	Yes	See note	No	<input type="checkbox"/>
25.6.1	Adequate access for fire brigade vehicles?	N/A	<input type="checkbox"/>	Yes	✓	No	<input type="checkbox"/>

Comments:

The local fire and rescue service needs to be familiar with the current circumstances at the site.

25.7	Routine in-house inspections of fire precautions [e.g.: in the course of health & safety Inspections]?	N/A	<input type="checkbox"/>	Yes	See note	No	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Comments:

Routine in-house inspections of fire precautions must be made on every change over. An inventory must be taken to ensure fire equipment has not been tampered with. Written records MUST be kept. A list of precautions that must be inspected must be provided to the appropriate person as follows: -

1. are the emergency torches in the correct place?
2. do all the fire detectors sound when tested?
3. Do all doors in the property open and close fully?
4. Is the 'Guest Welcome / Information Document' in place?
5. Is the FIRE SAFETY notice and the premises address in place?
6. Are the fire extinguishers in the correct place and in good order?

This may take the form of a book that is kept on site for the changeover staff to fill in.

This section must be read in conjunction with sections 27 & 29 below.

26. FIRE DRILLS

26.1	Are fire drills carried out at appropriate intervals?	N/A	<input type="checkbox"/>	Yes	See note	No	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Comments:

The "Guest Welcome/Information Documents" must make it clear that visitors should study the fire arrangements and the layout of the premises and discuss evacuation between themselves.

27. TESTING AND MAINTENANCE

This section must be read in conjunction with sections 25.7 & 29.

27.1	Adequate maintenance of workplace? <i>[Fire safety provisions & systems etc.]</i>	N/A	<input type="checkbox"/>	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	<input type="checkbox" value="See note"/>
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Comments and deficiencies observed:

**Refer to the Action Plan at the end of this document.
Once the required Fire Protection Precautions are in place they must be maintained in good order.**

27.2	Weekly in-house testing of the fire detection and alarm system?	N/A	<input type="checkbox"/>	Yes	<input type="checkbox" value="See note"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Periodic servicing of fire detection and alarm system by an Accredited Company?	N/A	<input type="checkbox"/>	Yes	<input type="checkbox" value="See note"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>

Comments and deficiencies observed:

**The fire alarm must be tested at each change over and a record kept.
Testing is carried out by pressing the 'Test' button on a different detector at each change over. All of the sounders should sound at the same time.**

Non compliances must be reported and rectified before the property is let /re-let.

27.3	Monthly testing routines for emergency lighting?	N/A	<input type="checkbox"/>	Yes	<input type="checkbox" value="See note"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Annual testing routines for emergency lighting?	N/A	<input type="checkbox"/>	Yes	<input type="checkbox" value="See note"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>

Comments and deficiencies observed:

The emergency torches, and lights, must be checked at each change over and a record kept.

Non compliances must be reported and rectified before the property is let.

TESTING AND MAINTENANCE Cont'd

27.4	Monthly visual in-house inspection of fire extinguishing appliances?	Yes	See note	No	<input type="checkbox"/>
27.4.1	Annual maintenance of fire extinguishing appliances?	Yes	See note	No	<input type="checkbox"/>

Comments and deficiencies observed:

Fire extinguishing appliances must be checked at each change over and a record kept.

Non compliances must be reported and rectified before the property is let.

See Section 23.3.

27.5	Are fire extinguishing appliances inspected every 12 months by a competent person?	Yes	See note	No	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Comments and deficiencies observed:

The fire extinguishers must be inspected in accordance with the manufacturer's recommendations.

Alternatively, replace the fire extinguishers every 12 months.

See Section 23.3.

27.6	Monthly in-house inspection of final exit doors and / or security fastenings?	N/A	<input type="checkbox"/>	Yes	See note	No	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Monthly in-house inspection of internal doors?	N/A	<input type="checkbox"/>	Yes	See note	No	<input type="checkbox"/>

Comments and deficiencies observed:

Fire exit doors and securing fastenings must be checked at each change-over.

This involves checking does the door: -

- 1. Close fully into the frame?**
- 2. Does it lock?**
- 3. Freely open through 90 degrees?**
- 4. Does it un-lock easily?**

TESTING AND MAINTENANCE Cont'd

27.7 Regular inspections and testing of lightning protection system? N/A Yes See note No

Comments and deficiencies observed:

There is no lightning protection system.

27.8 Are suitable systems in place for reporting and subsequent restoration of safety measures that have become below standard? N/A Yes See note No

Comments and deficiencies observed:

A system whereby issues requiring remedial action are reported and safety measures restored without delay, must be maintained.

28. RECORDS

Where necessary, are there appropriate records of:

IN-HOUSE TESTING

Escape route checks.			Yes	See note	No	
Fire Alarm testing	N/A		Yes	See note	No	
Fire extinguisher and blanket visual check.	N/A		Yes	See note	No	
Emergency torches and/or lighting testing.	N/A		Yes	See note	No	
Fire escape door inspection	N/A		Yes	See note	No	
Cooker extraction system filter cleaning.	N/A		Yes	See note	No	
Other fire protection equipment? [Fire guard etc.]	N/A		Yes	See note	No	

CONTRACTOR TESTING

Annual fire alarm system service	N/A	✓	Yes		No	
Annual emergency lighting service	N/A	✓	Yes		No	
Annual Fire extinguisher service.	N/A		Yes	See note	No	
Portable Appliance testing	N/A		Yes	See note	No	
Gas burning cooking equipment testing and maintenance.	N/A	✓	Yes		No	
Gas burning water heating equipment testing and maintenance.	N/A	✓	Yes		No	
Oil burning equipment testing and maintenance.	N/A	✓	Yes		No	
Extraction system maintenance including deep cleaning.	N/A	✓	Yes		No	
Lightning protection systems maintenance.	N/A	✓	Yes		No	
NICEIC Fixed electrical system testing [in buildings]	N/A		Yes	See note	No	

29.2 Comments:

The fire logbook must be kept up to date with records of the above.

[Note. Records are the only evidence that quality fire management is being actively practiced.]

The following simple risk level estimator is based on a health and safety risk level estimator contained in BS 8800

Potential consequences of fire ⇒	Slight Harm	Moderate Harm	Extreme Harm
Fire Hazard ↓			
Low	Trivial risk	Tolerable risk	Moderate Risk
Medium	Tolerable risk	Moderate risk	Substantial risk
High	Moderate risk	Substantial risk	Intolerable risk

Taking into account the fire prevention measures observed at the time of this risk assessment, it is considered that the hazard from fire [probability of ignition] at this building is:

Low Medium High

Taking into account the nature of the building and the occupants, as well as the fire protection and procedural arrangements observed at the time of this risk assessment, it is considered that the consequences for life safety in the event of fire would be:

Slight harm Moderate harm Extreme harm

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

Slight harm: Outbreak of fire unlikely to result in serious injury or death of any occupant [other than an occupant sleeping in a bedroom in which a fire occurs].

Moderate harm: Outbreak of fire could result in injury of one or more occupants, but it is unlikely to involve multiple fatalities.

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

Accordingly, it is considered that the risk to life from fire at this building is:

Substantial	Considerable resources may have to be allocated to reduce the risk. The building should not be occupied by guests until the risk has been reduced.
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A suitable risk-based control plan should involve effort and urgency that is proportional to risk. The following risk-based control plan is based on one advocated by BS8800.

RISK LEVEL	ACTION AND TIMESCALE
Trivial	No action is required, and no detailed records need be kept.
Tolerable	No major additional controls required. However, there may be a need for consideration of improvements that involve minor or limited cost.
Moderate	<p>It is essential that efforts are made to reduce the risk. Risk reduction measures should be implemented within a defined time period.</p> <p>Where moderate risk is associated with consequences that constitute extreme harm, further assessment may be required to establish more precisely the likelihood of harm as a basis for determining the priority for improved control measures.</p>
Substantial	Considerable resources may have to be allocated to reduce the risk. The building should not be occupied by guests until the risk has been reduced.
Intolerable	Building [or relevant area] should not be occupied until the risk is reduced.

Please Note: Although the purpose of this section is to place the fire risk in context, the above approach to Fire Risk Assessment is subjective and for guidance only. All hazards and deficiencies identified in this report should be addressed by implementing all recommendations contained in the following action plan.

This Fire Risk Assessment should be reviewed by the date indicated below or at such earlier time as there is reason to suspect that it is no longer valid or there have been significant changes.

SIGNIFICANT FINDINGS & URGENT ACTIONS

It is considered that the following recommendations should be implemented in order to reduce fire risk from

SUBSTANTIAL

to

TOLERABLE

The recommendations in this Action Plan should be implemented within the following time scale

Priority Level 1 – Within 3 months

Priority Level 2 – Within 2 months

Priority Level 3 – Within 1 month

Priority Level 4 – Within 2 weeks

Priority Level 5 – Within 1 week

An 'O' or 'Ongoing' inserted in the Priority column indicates that although there was no specific non-compliance detected at the time of the Fire Risk Assessment and no immediate action is required, there is a need of ongoing action / attention to ensure compliance is maintained.

An 'R' or 'Recommended' inserted in the Priority column indicates that whilst no action is necessary in order to comply, the suggested action would improve the overall fire management arrangement.

A Date inserted in the Priority column indicates the date by which the specified work should be completed.

Ref	Actions required to <u>reduce</u> the fire risk from MODERATE to TOLERABLE	Priority Level	Completion Date	Initial
7.3	All circuits of the fixed electrical system must be tested according to BS 7671 [I.E.E. Regulations]. A copy of the valid test results should be kept with the fire records. This must be carried out by a NICEIC registered company.	Prior to letting	21/07/2023	AL
7.3	Ensure that the distribution board/s comply with BS7671. i.e. that consumer units are “of non-combustible material, or enclosed in a cabinet or enclosure constructed of non-combustible material”. See the note in section 19 re Fire Stopping.	Prior to letting	24/03/2025	AL
7.3	The “Guest Welcome/Information Documents” must state clearly that electrical appliances that are not in immediate use should be unplugged, and where possible always overnight.	Prior To letting	31/03/2025	AL
8	The “Guest Welcome/Information Documents” must make clear the Smoking Policy for the garden /external area. If smoking is permitted in this area, a suitable non-combustible receptacle must be provided.	Prior To letting	31/03/2025	AL
11	Deep fat frying must be prohibited on this site. This must be made clear in the “Guest Welcome/Information Documents”.	Prior to letting	31/03/2025	AL

11	All kitchen appliances except refrigerators and deep freezes must be unplugged when not in immediate use and must always be unplugged at night. Washing machines and tumble dryers must not be left running unattended nor used when everyone is sleeping. This must be made clear in the "Guest Welcome/Information Documents".	Prior to letting	31/03/2025	AL
13.2	The Barbecue / Fire Pit Policy must be made clear in "Guest Welcome/Information Documents". See Section 13.3 in the Fire Risk Assessment.	Prior to letting	31/03/2025	AL
13.2	Candles and other live flames must be prohibited within the building, this must be made clear in the "Guest Welcome/Information Documents".	Prior to letting	31/03/2025	AL
13.2	Flammable liquids such as petrol and LPG must be prohibited within the building. This must be made clear in the "Guest Welcome/Information Documents"	Prior to letting	31/03/2025	AL
16	Any substance that guests bring on to the premises must be removed when they leave. This must be made clear in the "Guest Welcome/Information Documents".		31/03/2025	AL
18	To provide an escape route from the first-floor bedroom and the lounge, without passing through the kitchen area, one of the windows in the lounge must be converted by fitting an outward opening casement window, hinged at one side. It must be hung such that the available aperture is kept to a maximum. The window must not have a lockable window catch.	Prior to letting	10/03/2025 NB a casement window is not permitted, however the original sash window has been replaced with a Building Regs approved Fire Escape sash window	AL
19	Rehang the door on the bunk room bedroom on the ground floor to open outwards but in the opposite direction. i.e. Opening outwards with the door handle on the right-hand side when viewed from the kitchen / dining area. This will improve the escape route for persons from the bunk room in that they will not need to negotiate their way around the door to affect their escape.	Prior to letting	We have not done this, however the bunk bedroom window has been replaced with a Building Regs approved Fire Escape casement window. Also the door on the current hinges opens to almost against the wall ie through 180 degrees	AL

19	<p>Where any services pass through fire barriers, whether vertical or horizontal, any gaps around such services must be filled in such a way that fire cannot pass through.</p> <p>This must comply with: - <i>Approved Document B Section: Protection of openings and fire-stopping.</i></p>	Prior to letting	31/03/2025	AL
20	<p>It is understood that guests tend to remove the emergency torches from the 13-amp socket outlets for some reason or another.</p> <p>It must be made clear in the “Guest Welcome/Information Documents” that these torches are a life safety provision and MUST be left in the 13amp sockets that are switched on.</p> <p>If the practise of removing them continues, then fixed emergency lighting must be fitted such that, should evacuation be necessary during the hours of darkness, the escape routes are adequately illuminated.</p>		31/03/2025	AL
21.2	There must be a green and white sign to indicate the direction of rotation to unlock turn knob exit doors.	Prior to letting	31/03/2025	AL
22.5	Fit a smoke detector is in the kitchen in addition to the existing heat detector. It must be interlinked with the existing alarm system. The smoke detector should be located on the ceiling in a position that will enable the earliest detection of smoke. Its position must comply with BS5839.	Prior to letting	24/03/2025	AL
25.3	<p>Provide a “Guest Welcome/Information Documents” Pack.</p> <p>The welcome pack is important in that it contains essential safety information and is intended for the guests to read when they first arrive at the premises.</p> <p><u>The attention of the booking guest must be drawn to this document pack during the booking procedure.</u></p> <p>See Section 25 of the Fire Risk Assessment.</p>	Prior To letting	31/03/2025	AL
25.3	A Fire Action Notice that includes the address of the property must be displayed as detailed in section 25 of the Fire Risk Assessment.	Prior to letting	31/03/2025	AL

25.4	It must be made clear in the “Guest Welcome/Information Documents” that evacuation of the building is the responsibility of the senior member of the hiring group and that evacuation must be the first priority. It must also be made clear that Fire Extinguishers if provided, must only be used to aid the preservation of human life, i.e., helping persons to escape.	Prior to letting	31/03/2025	AL
25.5	It must be made clear in the “Guest Welcome/Information Documents” that the senior members of the hiring group must take responsibility for ensuring that the premises are totally evacuated in the event of an emergency, for instance fire, and the Fire and Rescue Service called.	Prior to letting	31/03/2025	AL
25.7	It is reported that the Duchy provide the following service: Routine in-house inspections of fire precautions must be made on every change over. An inventory must be taken to ensure fire equipment has not been tampered with. Written records MUST be kept. A list of precautions that must be inspected must be provided to the appropriate person as follows: - <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. are the emergency torches in the correct place? 2. do all the fire detectors sound when tested? 3. Do all doors in the property open and close fully? 4. Is the ‘Guest Welcome Document’ in place? 5. Is the FIRE SAFETY notice and the premises address in place? 6. If provided, are the fire extinguishers in the correct place and in good order? This may take the form of a book that is kept on site for the contractor staff to fill in. This section must be read in conjunction with sections 27 & 29.	Prior To letting	CORRECTION The Duchy do not provide this service. The proprietors of the holiday cottage carry out these inspections at every changeover. This is ongoing and written records are kept.	AL
26.1	The “Guest Welcome/Information Documents” must make it clear that visitors should study the fire arrangements and the layout of the premises and discuss evacuation between themselves.	Prior To letting	31/03/2025	AL

27	<p>It is reported that the Duchy provide the following service:</p> <p>The fire alarm must be tested at each change over and a record kept. Testing is carried out by pushing the 'Test' Button All sounders throughout the building should sound simultaneously. A different alarm unit should be tested at each change over.</p> <p>Non compliances must be reported and rectified before the property is re-let.</p> <p>If the property is not let for an extended period, the fire alarm and all other fire safety features must be tested and any necessary remedial action taken, prior to re letting.</p>	Prior To letting	<p>CORRECTION The Duchy do not provide this service. The proprietors of the holiday cottage carry out these inspections at every changeover. This is ongoing and written records are kept.</p>	AL
27	<p>It is reported that the Duchy provide the following service:</p> <p>The emergency torches must be checked at each change over and a record kept.</p> <p>Emergency torches should be tested at least monthly. Records must be kept.</p>	Prior To letting	<p>CORRECTION AS ABOVE The proprietors carry this out. This is ongoing and records are kept.</p>	AL
27	<p>It is reported that the Duchy provide the following service:</p> <p>Fire extinguishing appliances must be checked at each change over and a record kept.</p> <p>Fire extinguishing appliances must be maintained annually, and a record kept.</p>	Prior To letting	<p>CORRECTION AS ABOVE</p>	AL
27	<p>Non compliances must be reported and rectified before the property is re-let.</p> <p>It is reported that the Duchy provide this service.</p>	Prior To Letting	<p>CORRECTION AS ABOVE</p>	AL
27	<p>It is reported that the Duchy provide the following service:</p> <p>Fire exit doors and/or securing fastenings must be checked at each change-over. The check should ensure that every door opens and closes fully and the lock on the front and rear entrance door unlocks easily.</p> <p>Non compliances must be reported and rectified before the property is re-let.</p>	Prior To letting	<p>CORRECTION AS ABOVE</p>	AL

28	<p>It is reported that the Duchy provide the following service:</p> <p>The fire log book must be set up and kept up to date with records, where applicable. See Section 27 above.</p> <p>Note. Records are the only evidence that quality fire management is being actively practiced.</p>	<p>Prior To letting</p>	<p>CORRECTION AS ABOVE</p>	<p>AL</p>
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ONGOING ACTION PLAN

It is considered that the following recommendations should be implemented on an ongoing basis in order to maintain fire risk at the following level:

TOLERABLE

Ref	Actions required to <u>maintain</u> the fire risk at TOLERABLE	Priority Level
7.3	All circuits of the fixed electrical system must be tested according to BS 7671 [I.E.E. Regulations]. A copy of the valid test results should be kept with the fire records. This must be carried out by a NICEIC registered company.	O
7.3	All portable electrical equipment must be maintained in a safe condition. This is best achieved by means of a portable appliance testing system. Records must be kept.	O
11.6	The cooker extraction hoods must be clean on change over.	O
11	Deep fat frying must be prohibited on this site.	O
13	See section 13 of the Fire Risk Assessment for any policies that must be maintained.	O
15.4	There must be control overall work carried out in the building. These controls must include a method Statement, a Risk Assessment [complete with suitable countermeasures] and a Permit to Work.	O
16.2	Flammables such as Alcohol based sanitiser, and nail Polish remover, must only be allowed in small quantities. Waste cooking oil must be disposed of regularly.	O
19	All furniture and soft furnishings, curtains, and drapes etc must comply with relevant fire standards.	Ref
25.6	The local fire and rescue service needs to be familiar with the current circumstances at the site.	Ref
27.2	The fire alarm system must be tested at each change over and a record kept.	O

28	<p>Routine in-house inspections of fire precautions must be made on every change over. An inventory must be taken to ensure fire equipment has not been tampered with. Written records MUST be kept.</p> <p>The fire detection and alarm system must be tested at each change over and a record kept.</p> <p>The fire detection and alarm system should be tested each 12 months by a competent person.</p>	O
28	<p>The emergency torches must be tested at each change over and a record kept.</p> <p>Fire extinguishers, if fitted, must be maintained at twelve monthly intervals, or replaced.</p> <p>Fire exit doors and/or securing fastenings must be checked at every change-over. This must be recorded.</p>	O
28	<p>A Fire Log Book must be kept up to date. It must be made available for inspection as and when requested.</p> <p>Note. Written records are the only evidence that quality fire management is being actively practiced</p>	O

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