PLANNING FIRE SAFETY STRATEGY

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This strategy has been prepared to support the householder planning application for a ground floor single storey side extension at the rear of the property.

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The Fire Safety Strategy for the proposed development is as follows:

- 1) Identify suitably positioned unobstructed outside space for
- a. Fire appliance
- b. Evacuation assembly point

The property is a mid terrace two storey house in a typical London street. As such the house access for the fire brigade will be no different than it currently is.

- a. Due to the small scale of the development, there is no designated location for Fire Appliances.
- b. In the event of fire there are two points of egress, one to the front and one to the rear. The front door opens to the front garden and then to the street, the back door to the rear garden.

An assembly point will be designated in front of the property at the end of the garden

2) Are designed to incorporate appropriate features which reduce the risk to life and the risk of serious injury in the event of a fire; including appropriate fire alarm systems and passive and active fire safety measures.

The proposed development will need to comply with Building Control regarding Fire Regulations. The relevant requirements for fire detection and protection of structural elements will be checked and signed off by the appointed Building Control Officer.

- 3. Are constructed in an appropriate way to minimise the risk of fire spread. The existing house and the proposed extension will be both be constructed from non combustible materials and will comply with all current part B building regulations regarding internal and external spread of fire.
- 4) Provide suitable and convenient means of escape, and associated evacuation strategy for all building users.

Since the building will remain as two storey the current fire escape provisions remain sufficient.

- 5) Develop a robust strategy for evacuation which can be periodically updated and published, and which all building users can have confidence in. This is a single family dwelling.
- 6) Provide suitable access and equipment for firefighting which is appropriate for the size and use of the development.

The house is mid-terrace so the front door is the sole access for firefighters.