

# Fire statement form

Application information	
1. Site address line 1	Sainsbury's Supermarket
Site address line 2	Lower Richmond Road
Site address line 3	
Town	Richmond
County	
Site postcode (optional)	TW9 4LT
2. Description of proposed development including any change of use (as stated on the application form):	FULL PLANNING AND ADVERTISEMENT CONSENT APPLICATIONS FOR CONSTRUCTION OF RETAIL POD (USE CLASS E) AND ASSOCIATED SIGNAGE
3. Name of person completing the fire statement (as section 15.), relevant qualifications and experience.  Guide: no more than 200 words	Alex Wylie (Planner) on behalf of WSP.
4. State what, if any, consultation has been undertaken on issues relating to the fire safety of the development; and what account has been taken of this.  Guide: no more than 200 words	Not applicable

**5. Site layout plan with block numbering as per building schedule referred to in 6.**

(consistent with other plans drawings and information submitted in connection with the application)

Plans and Drawings are as follows:

- Site Location Plan (ref: SK-A-9570);
- Existing Site Plan (ref: SK-A-9571);
- Proposed Site Plan (ref: SK-A-9572);
- Existing / Proposed Detailed Plans (ref: SK-A-9573);
- WBAC Pod Concessions Detailed Drawing (ref: SK-A-9010);
- WBAC Pod Concessions Proposed Signage Detailed Drawing (ref: SK-A-9020);



### **7. Specific technical complexities**

Explain any specific technical complexities in terms of fire safety (for example green walls) and/or departures from information in building schedule above

Guide: no more than 500 words

Not applicable

### **8. Issues which might affect the fire safety of the development**

Explain how any issues which might affect the fire safety of the development have been addressed.

Guide: no more than 500 words

The pod is located away from the store in an easily accessible and open location within the car park.

### **9. Local development document policies relating to fire safety**

Explain how any policies relating to fire safety in relevant local development documents have been taken into account.

Guide: no more than 500 words

Policy D12 of the London Plan (2021) requires fire safety of developments should be considered from the outset to ensure the highest standards of fire safety. This policy is split into Part A and Part B. Part B deals with major development proposals, Part A deals with all other proposals. Section A of Policy D12 states:

“In the interests of fire safety and to ensure the safety of all building users, all development proposals must achieve the highest standards of fire safety and ensure that they:

1. identify suitably positioned unobstructed outside space:
  - a. for fire appliances to be positioned on
  - b. appropriate for use as an evacuation assembly point
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
3. are constructed in an appropriate way to minimise the risk of fire spread
4. provide suitable and convenient means of escape, and associated evacuation strategy for all building users
5. develop a robust strategy for evacuation which can be periodically updated and published, and which all building users can have confidence in
6. provide suitable access and equipment for firefighting which is appropriate for the size and use of the development.”

### **FIRE STRATEGY**

The following section follows the points and order of Section A of Policy D12 of the London Plan (2021) to outline the fire strategy for the development.

1. The proposals are for a self-contained WBAC pod in the car park of an existing Sainsbury’s store. The pod is located separate and away from the store footprint with ample space around it
  - a. the fire appliance can sit on the car park circulation road, as required, or within the car park.

- b. Ample space is provided within the customer car park outside the pod if required. The pod, due to its size, is limited to a max of 1 or 2 customers therefore not perceived as being an issue.
2. The proposed development is designed to minimise the risk of fire spread.  
The pod is also fitted with a standard household type fire alarm system which is hard wired to the distribution board to raise the alarm in the event of a fire. The pod will also have 6kg standard powder fire extinguishers, supplied and fitted by Chubb
  3. The pod is positioned away from the store to limit the potential for fire spread and is fitted with safety measures to limit the potential outbreak of a fire.
  4. The pod has a small footprint with the escape door being the same door through which customers and colleagues enter the pod. Exiting the pod gives direct access to the outside with ample space around the pod to move away from any danger.
  5. As stated previously, the pod is small in size and in the event of a fire, customers and colleagues can easily evacuate the pod out into the car park to a place of safety.
  6. Suitable firefighting equipment will be provided in the proposed pod which will be accessible and appropriate for its size (refer to point 2 above).

**Emergency road vehicle access and water supplies for firefighting purposes**

**10. Fire service site plan**  
 Explanation of fire service site plan(s) provided in 14. including what guidance documents have informed the proposed arrangements for fire service access and facilities?  
 Guide: no more than 200 words  
 Not applicable

**11. Emergency road vehicle access**  
 Specify emergency road vehicle access to the site entrances indicated on the site plan  
 Guide: no more than 200 words  
 Fire service access to the site is via Lower Richmond Road, through the main car park entrance fire appliance can be parked directly outside the proposed pod.  
 Is the emergency vehicle tracking route within the site to the siting points for appliances clear and unobstructed?  
 yes

**12. Siting of fire appliances**  
 Guide: no more than 200 words  
 Access for fire appliances will be available directly from Lower Richmond Road or within the car park as outlined above.

### 13. Suitability of water supply for the scale of development proposed

Guide: no more than 200 words

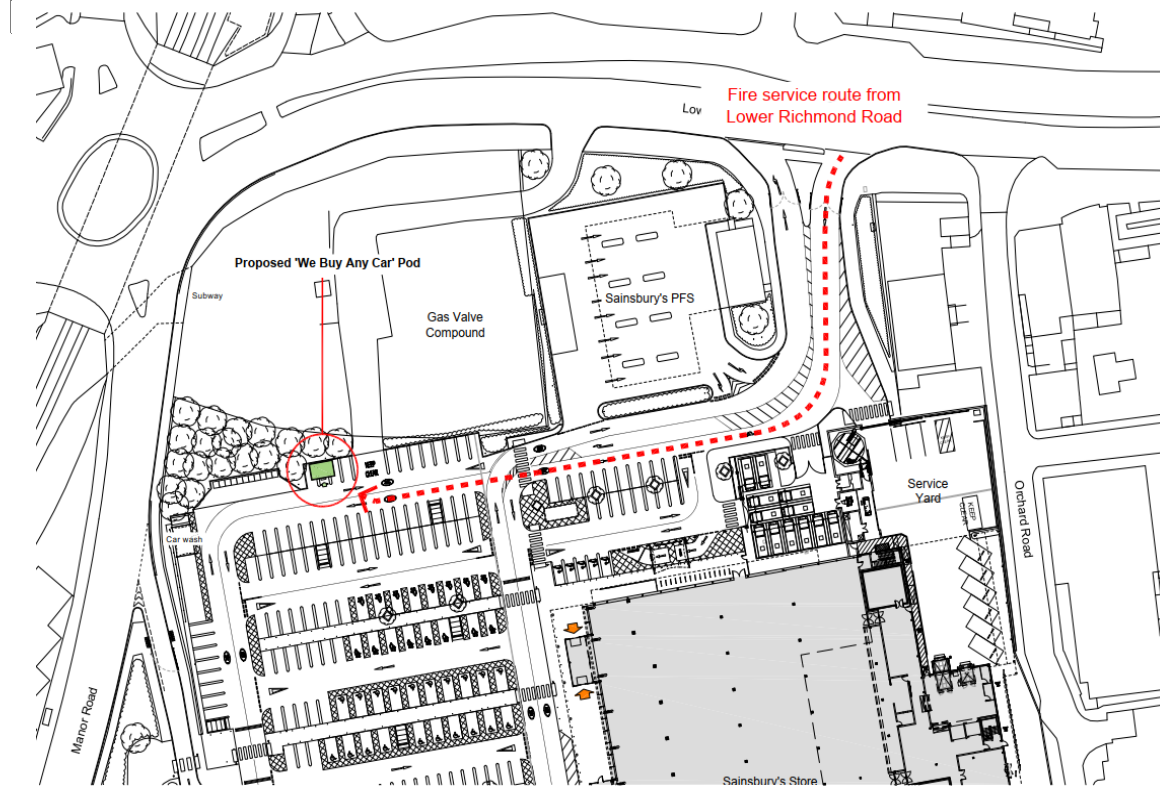
Due to the small scale of the proposed development, the standard tender would be sufficient to fight any potential fire.

Nature of water supply:  
tank supply

Does the proposed development rely on existing hydrants and if so are they currently usable / operable?  
don't know

### 14. Fire service site plan

Fire service site plan is:  
inserted in the form



**Fire statement completed by**

15. Signature		
16. Date	09/10/2024	