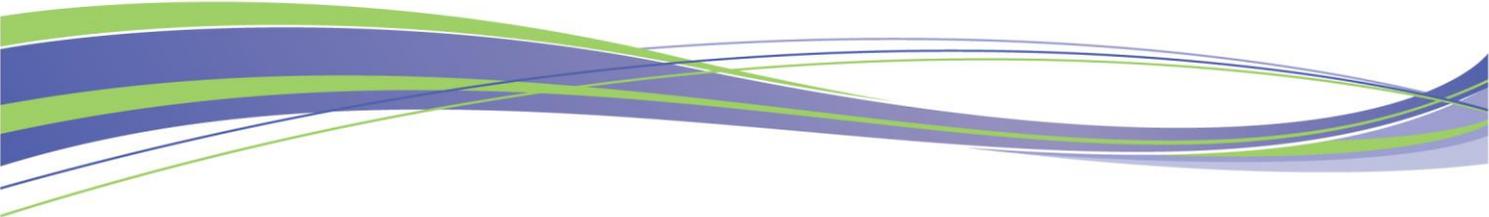


# Fire Safety Update

## Keeping you safe



**Fire Safety Requirements for Brunelcare  
Sheltered Housing and Extra Care Housing  
Tenants and Residents**



Over the last six months Brunelcare has carried out significant fire safety works and fire risk assessments across the organisation.

The tragedy of Grenfell Tower highlights how important this work is.

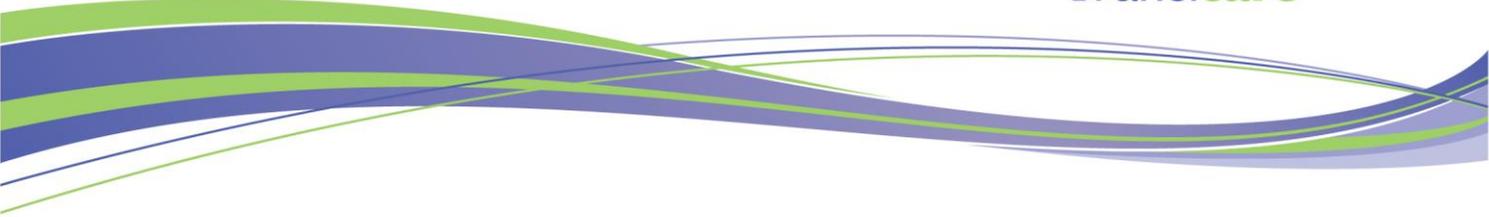
**This update outlines some of the things you can do to make where you live safer.**

As a landlord Brunelcare has a duty by law to comply with fire safety legislation and we have identified that many of the tasks we are faced with fall into three main categories:

1. **Housekeeping** – keeping communal areas free from items that can either catch fire or cause an obstruction in case of Evacuation.



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2. **The Building** - making sure that the building does not allow fire to spread, such as having fire doors in good condition and electric equipment properly protected.



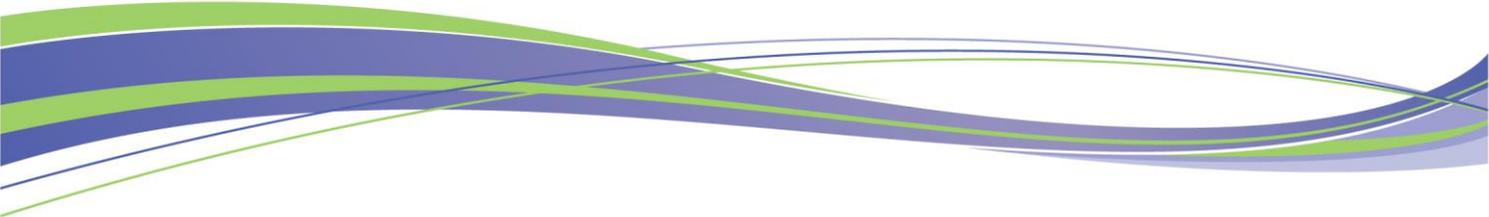
3. **Fire alarm systems** - making sure that there is an appropriate fire alarm system to alert you of a fire and that it is maintained and inspected regularly.



## How can you help?

- ✧ Don't smoke in communal areas
- ✧ Understand the Fire Action Notice (example below)
- ✧ Call 999 if you think there could be a fire
- ✧ Don't store items in electrical cupboards
- ✧ Let us know if you or anyone in your household has a disability that may prevent easy exit from the building in the event of a fire.





## Your Evacuation Policy

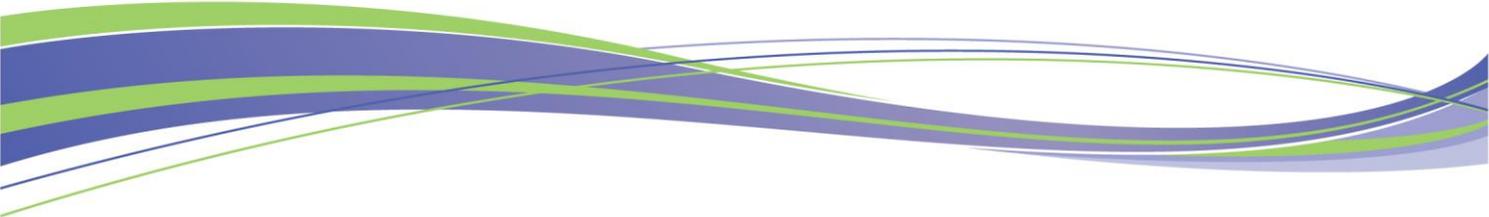
Your Evacuation Policy is important and is known as **Stay Put**.

**Stay Put Policy** - is for newer buildings which are built in a way that protects you in the event of a fire.

## Housekeeping

We constantly work hard to protect our residents from the risk of fire. One of the ways we do this is to monitor what we have in communal areas, as these may be a fire risk or a trip hazard, and prevent you safely leaving the building in the event of a fire.

**We want you to work with us to help keep our escape routes clear and free from obstruction.**

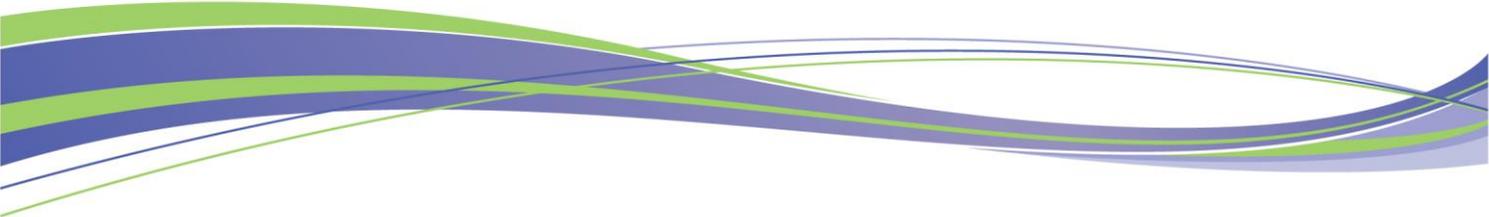


The following items regularly appear in communal areas and present a risk to residents in the event of a fire:

- 🌿 Recycle bins
- 🌿 Rubbish bags
- 🌿 Scooters
- 🌿 Prams
- 🌿 Bicycles
- 🌿 Shoes/trainers
- 🌿 Children's toys
- 🌿 Furniture

**Where you share hallways and stairs with other residents you must not store items that are flammable or cause an obstruction in these areas as they are a health and safety risk.**





## Help us to help you stay safe

### You should:

- ✿ Know your escape routes
- ✿ Know your evacuation plan
- ✿ Know what actions to take during a fire
- ✿ Report defects
- ✿ Do your part to prevent fires

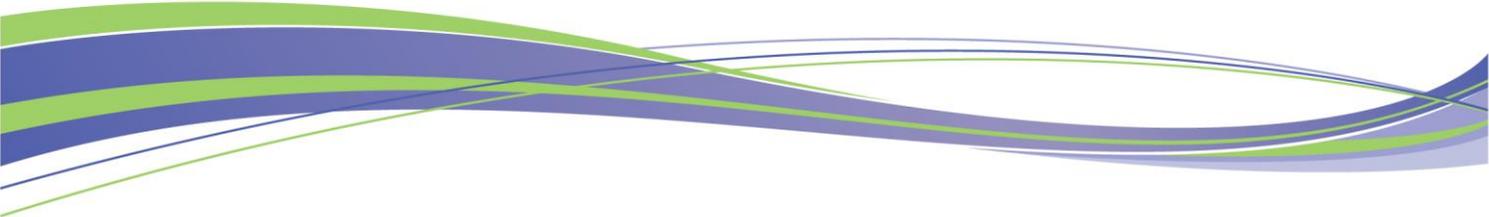
### Think:

- ✿ Take care when cooking
- ✿ Switch off electrical appliances
- ✿ Keep fire doors closed
- ✿ You must not store or use flammables in your home or communal areas
- ✿ Test your smoke alarm regularly

### Communicate:

- ✿ Spread the word – inform your neighbours
- ✿ Be vigilant
- ✿ Don't hoard flammables
- ✿ Keep corridors and communal areas clear

**Working together we can stay safe and help people make the most of their lives.**



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