

## FIRE STATEMENT

The proposed amendments and additions to 14 Dartmouth Park Street NW5 1SX involves the formalisation of the existing loft into a fully functional workspace with the introduction of a new staircase providing access from the existing second floor landing.

The existing loft is currently used as storage and is where the boiler and associated services are located. Access is via a trap door in the ceiling above the landing.

There is no change to the evacuation policy at lower levels and the only amendment is to the design of the loft and circulation to it.

The new staircase requires a dormer extension to the side elevation of the house to enable required ceiling clearance internally. This staircase will be designed to comply with current building regulations so risers and treads are functional and safe to use as a means of evacuation in the case of a fire.

The new staircase links directly with the existing staircase system to the ground floor.

This entire vertical circulation zone is isolated from general accommodation at all levels by fire rated doors so this zone is safely compartmentalised for evacuation if required.

A new AOV, "automatic opening vent" is proposed in the roof of the side dormer to allow for the escape of smoke in this circulation space. It will also be used to maintain the skylight and roof space.

All smoke detectors at all floors will be hard-wired into the electrics of the house.

Evacuation from all floors above will be to the street or to the large garden. Exit from the lower ground floor to the street is via a separate route and there is also an alternative means of escape from this space.

The project will comply with current building control codes and respect the London fire plan.

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