Flood Warning & Evacuation Plan

1.0 Introduction

This Flood Warning & Evacuation Plan (FWEP) has been produced by Keystone Design Associates Ltd in respect of the development for the installation of stairway to the rear and enlargement of rear dormer to the existing property at 58 Rossall Road, Thornton-Cleveleys.

The FWEP captures a summary of the property's flood risk, taking into account flood mitigation measures incorporated in the design of the site and properties, and provides all relevant information, contact details and procedures to prepare for, respond to and recover from a flood event.

This is a plan to ensure the effective evacuation of 58 Rossall Promenade, Thornton-Cleveleys in the event of a flood.

2.0 Objectives

In the production of this FWEP Keystone Design Associates Ltd have identified the following key objectives:

- To ensure adequate ingress and egress for the emergency services & occupants; and
- Reduce the risk to life and damage to property.

3.0 Description of the Site

The development comprises of a two storey property comprising of a commercial unit at ground floor and a residential flat to the upper floors situated on Rossall Road, Thornton-Cleveleys. The site is accessed directly off Rossall Road and lies within Flood Zone 2.



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4.0 Key Points from Flood Risk Assessment

The development site lies within Flood Zone 2 of the Environment Agency Flood Map, Flood Zone 2 being the zone with risk of 1 in 100 year (1% AEP) and 1 in 1000 year (0.1% AEP) or less for tidal flooding.

5.0 Prevention

The development is for works to an existing dwelling on the upper floors, therefore no further prevention is required.

6.0 Protection

No protection is required as the development is an existing property.

7.0 Preparation

The works will be constructed in accordance with the FRA flood resistance requirements. A copy of this plan will be kept on-site throughout the life of the building.

8.0 Flood Warnings

The following action will be taken for each flood warning.

Warning	Message	Timing	Action
FLOOD ALERT	Flooding is possible. Be prepared.	2 hours to 2 days in advance of flooding.	 Be prepared for flooding. Prepare a flood kit.
FLOOD WARNING	Flooding is expected. Immediate action required.	Half an hour to 1 day in advance of flooding.	 Act now to protect your property. Block doors with flood boards or sandbags and cover airbricks and other ventilation holes. Move pets and valuables to a safe place. Keep a flood kit ready. Move any critical equipment and information to a safe location

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SEVERE FLOOD WARNING	Severe flooding. Danger to life.	When flooding poses a significant threat to life and different actions are required.	 Be ready should you need to evacuate from the property. Co-operate with the emergency services and call 999 if you are in immediate danger.
Warning Removed	No further flooding is currently expected for your area.	Issued when a flood warning is no longer in force.	 Flood water may still be around and could be contaminated. If you've been flooded, ring your buildings and contents insurance company as soon as possible.

9.0 Who to Inform and How

The Environment Agency's flood risk early warning system will contact Mr Jeyasangar on 07960 442216. Mr Jeyasangar has also signed up to the Environment Agency Flood Warning Scheme at https://www.gov.uk/sign-up-for-flood-warnings.

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10.0 Action to be taken in the event of an Alarm Raised or Flood Warning received

- 1) If a flood warning is received:
 - a) Raise the alarm and evacuate the property to a point of safety above the flood, this is considered to be College Farm, Rossall Road, Thornton-Cleveleys, FY5 2AT.
 - b) Contact the Emergency Services (999) if necessary
 - c) If safe to do so, locate and turn off key services e.g. water, gas & electricity.
 - d) Following enquiries/assessment the house should either be invacuated, evacuated or stood down.



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11.0 Evacuation

2) In the unlikely event that evacuation is required, with having received notice from the Environment Agency, evacuation to a point of safety at College Farm, Rossall Road, Thornton-Cleveleys is necessary. If the site starts to flood whilst the property is occupied, immediate action is for all occupants to go to the first floor and contact the emergency services (999) and await rescue.

12.0 Invacuation

3) If warning has been received but the site has not yet started to flood and the property is occupied, immediate action is to invacuate to the first floor of the property.

13.0 Stand Down

Following confirmation from the Environment Agency, the decision can be taken to stand down. In this eventuality, the property should return to normal following the agreed reoccupation procedure.

12.0 Site Reoccupation

Site Reoccupation cannot be done initially following a flood due to contamination from flood water. The owners are to contact their insurers and complete a claim. It is envisaged that the owners insurance will lead to the reinstatement of the property, decontamination and arrange suitable alternative accommodation.

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13.0 Useful Sources of Information

Am I at Risk of Flooding?

http://www.environment-agency.gov.uk/homeandleisure/floods/31650.aspx

Floodline Warnings Direct

https://fwd.environment-agency.gov.uk/app/olr/register

Prepare a Flood Plan for your Business http://www.environment-agency.gov.uk/business/topics/flooding/32362.aspx

Business Flood Checklist

http://www.environment-agency.gov.uk/business/topics/flooding/32358.aspx

Make an Emergency Flood Plan for your Home <u>https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/personal-flood-plan</u>

Preparing your home or business for flooding http://www.environment-agency.gov.uk/homeandleisure/floods/31644.aspx

Improving the flood performance of new buildings: flood resilient construction. http://www.communities.gov.uk/publications/planningandbuilding/improvingflood

Improving the flood resistance of your home - advice sheets http://www.ciria.com/flooding/pdf/CIRIA_Advice_sheet_3.pdf

Flood Protection Association (Promote the interests of manufacturers and installers of flood protection equipment and requirements) https://thefpa.org.uk/

Direct Gov Preparing for emergencies https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/preparing-for-emergencies/preparing-for-emergencies

UK Resilience http://www.cabinetoffice.gov.uk/ukresilience.aspx