

Note to Compliance Board: Pennington Midpoint Review

We had a midpoint project review with Pennington Choices on August 1, 2024. Based on the evidence that they requested, they have provided a draft report. This draft report is in the documentation for the Compliance Board meeting on September 11, 2024.

The midpoint review is incredibly positive and is a testament to the work and effort the team has put in. The project team were told that though the Council is not mentioned by name, Pennington do refer to WDC as a case for best practice. Specifically, the work that has been done to resource the project properly, the work around the Compliance reporting (dashboard), and the appointment of a Project Manager. The reporting (dashboard) is one of the best that they have seen.

Though there has been a tremendous amount of work done to get to this point in the project, there are two recommendations that will require having the delivery date extended past the original completion date of the project (31.10.24). These are Recommendation 5 (Data Validation) and Building Safety Recommendation 3 (Building Safety Cases), and Recommendation 16 (Contract Management). The project team has discussed these and with the work that needs to be completed, feel that the completion dates for Recommendation 5 and Building Safety Recommendation 3 will be the end of the fiscal year. For Recommendation 16 (Contract Management), it should be completed by the end of November.

One area of concern within the report was the Fire Remediation Actions. This concern is only regarding the historical items.

As new Fire Risk Assessments are received, the remediations will be tracked on ActiveH. Work orders will be raised and tracked within the system.

As the remediations were not tracked this way historically, they are currently manually being tracked by the Fire Safety Lead. The Fire Safety Lead and I have regular meetings to ensure that the information is being tracked and these historical remedial actions are being completed. There is also a fire door set replacement / compartmentation programme currently being rolled out and monitored. This programme is on a rolling basis and has begun on three initial blocks. These should be completed by early 2025. The programme for the remaining blocks is being looked at and the completion date will be provided for the next meeting.

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