Crowding & Space

HHSRS Operating Guidance: Feb 2006

Vulnerable age	No specific age group	**Multiple locations**	**Yes**	No
Related hazards	None	**Secondary hazards**	Yes	**No**



Ground First

DESCRIPTION OF HAZARDS

Dwelling: 1900s, 2-storey, terraced house

Background: This dwelling comprises of two reception rooms and a kitchen on the ground floor and three bedrooms and a bathroom on the first floor. Originally built as a two bedroom house, the current owner-occupiers have erected a stud partition wall and solid internal door to split the large front bedroom into two smaller, communicating, bedrooms. The reception rooms are of reasonable and typical size although the kitchen is somewhat compact. The rear and front left hand bedrooms are both around 11-12 m2 with the front right hand bedroom being just under 9 m2. The dwelling has a fairly small front yard but a reasonably large back garden. The current household comprises of an adult couple and their two children, a 12 year old boy and a 14 year old girl. The couple sleep in the back bedroom, the daughter in the larger front bedroom and the son in the smallest bedroom.

LIST OF RELEVANT MATTERS

LIKELIHOOD & OUTCOMES

a	Living area	-
b	Kitchen area	-
c	Personal washing area	-
d	Washing area door	-
e	Sanitary accommodation	-
f	Sanitary accommodation door	-
g	Number of bedrooms	-
h	Bedroom size	-
i	Bedroom location	3
j	Recreational space	-

Compounding matters

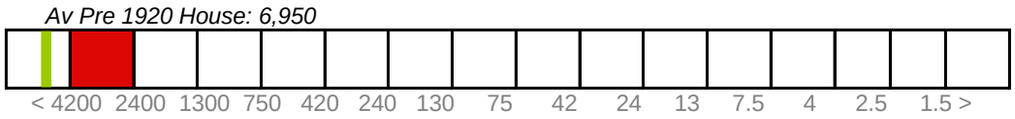
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Key

3	Seriously defective
2	Defective
1	Not satisfactory
-	Satisfactory/NA

HEALTH AND SAFETY RATING SYSTEM SCORES

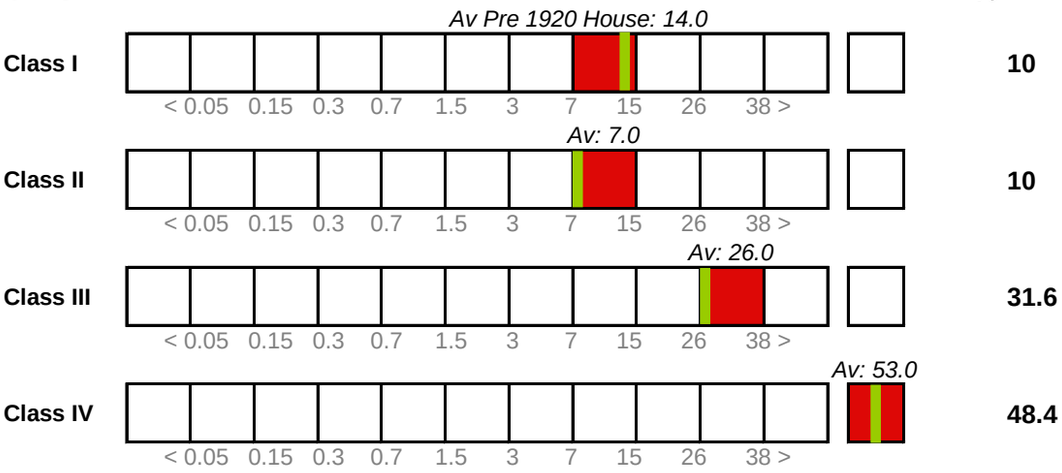
LIKELIHOOD Low ⟶ High **1 in 3,200**



Justification

The current occupiers are ignored for the purposes of the initial assessment. However this property was originally constructed as a two-bedroom property but the front bedroom has been partitioned into two with access to one of the rooms via the other. This has created an issue about privacy related to those two bedrooms. In general a property such as this would be adequate for a household of up to four people but the inter-connection of these two bedrooms increases the likelihod of an occurrence regardles of the actual age and gender of the occupants.

OUTCOMES **%**



Justification

There is nothing that justifies chaging the spread of harms from the average



Score: 37

RATING SCORES TAKING ACCOUNT OF CURRENT OCCUPANTS

IMPROVE **Likelihood to** 1 in 100 **Outcomes to** 10.0 | 10.0 | 31.6 | 48.4 %

Justification

The occupation of the two front bedrooms by young adults of different sexes raises concerns about privacy over and above that imposed by the intercommunication of those bedrooms. The likelihood of harm is therefore increased substantially above that were the rooms to be occupied by persons of the same sex. (This issue could be resolved quite easily by repositioning the partition between the two bedrooms and the creation of a small lobby to avoid the intercommunication. This would reduce the likelihood to the average for a property of this age and type.)



Score: 1199

Av: Nos *Average likelihood and health outcomes for persons of all ages,1997-99.*