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Common Compliance Concerns





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IDENTIFYING PROGRAMME RISKS



What do we all need

- Complaint Design & Specification
- Buildable Details
- Up front technical and onsite support from manufacturers
- Accredited installer organisations with a competent workforce
- Programme certainty and right first time

IDENTIFYING PROGRAMME RISKS



Common problem areas that cause delays and rework

- Door Openings
- Fire Dampers and Penetrations
- Fire Protection of Structures
- Change Control

DOOR OPENINGS

Weight of Doorsets not known early enough

Screw Fixing Embedment dependant upon doorset manufacturer 🔀



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DOOR OPENINGS

Door **weights** must be indicated on the door schedule

Wall details specified to suit

50mm deep timber covers most manufacturers

British Gypsum – Door Jamb Details

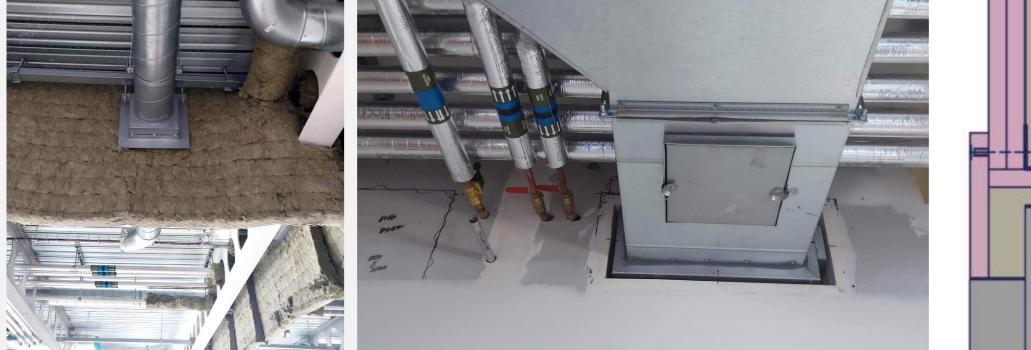
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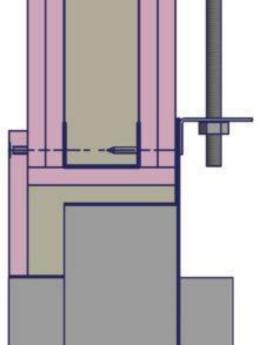


Late selection of actual fire damper to be installed

Insufficient / incomplete design (deflection heads)

Some dampers only tested in 120min walls...and not with fire curtains



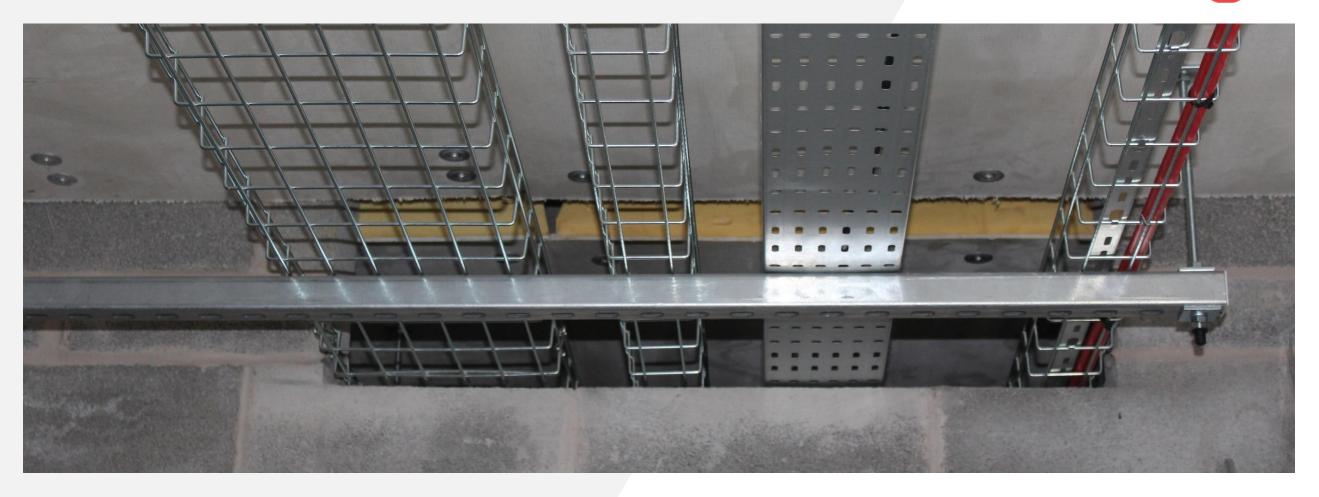




Common openings with multiple services penetrating a single hol

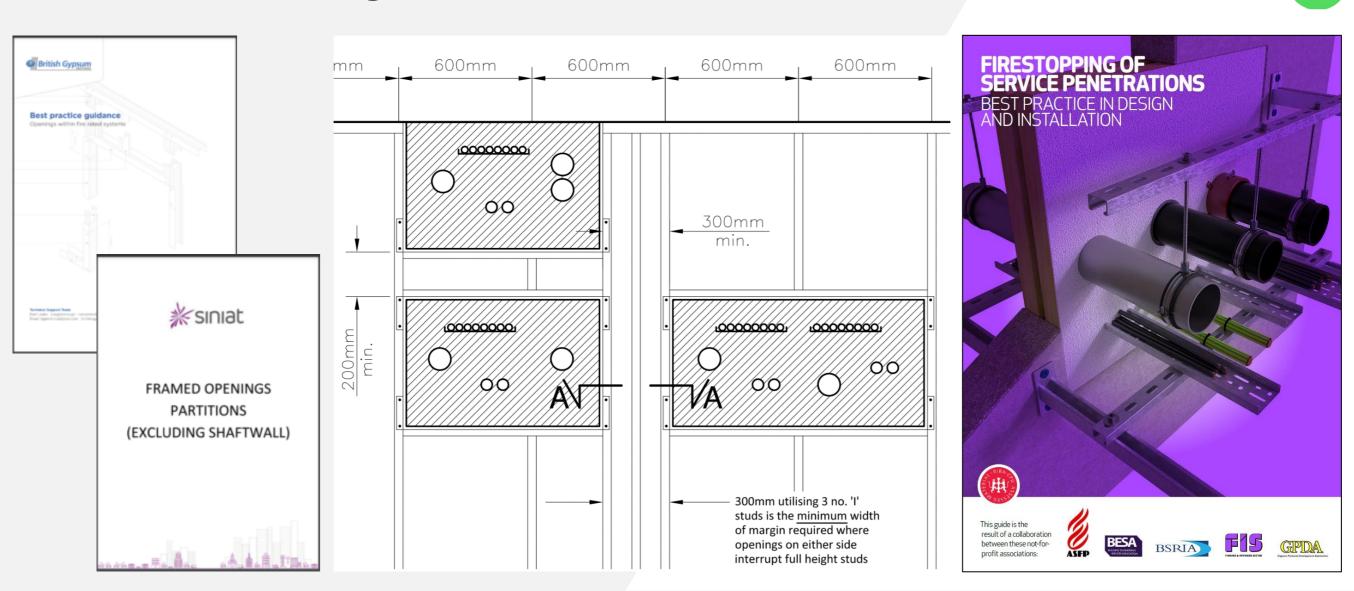
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Space requirements for fire stopping, edge distances



Walls must be designed around services, and their tested interfaces

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Passive Fire Protection Workshops – Benchmarking and Samples



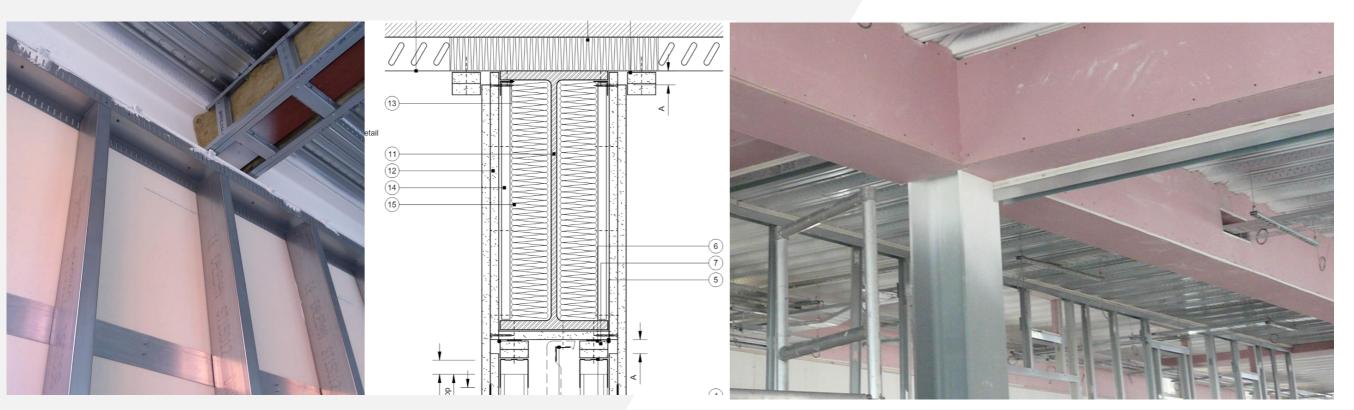


FIRE PROTECTION OF STRUCTURES

Intumescent paint - consideration for expansion

Conflicts between acoustics, compartmentation and fire protection

Unresolved interface details (encasement, structure & intumescent paint)





FIRE PROTECTION OF STRUCTURES

Early identification of encasement system, paint manufacturer, supply chain

Early workshop at stage 3 (with all parties) to agree the strategy



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CHANGE CONTROL



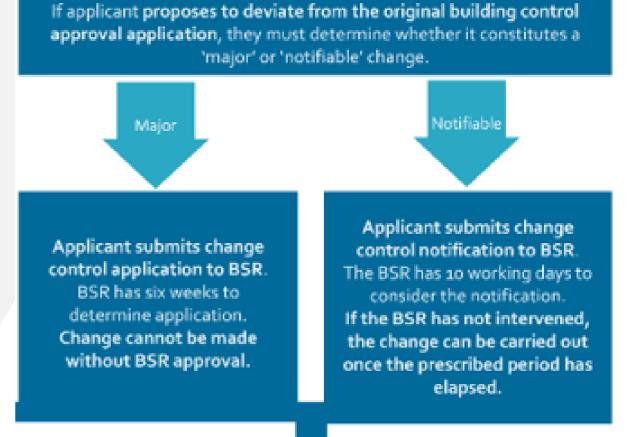
Unresolved details, lack of planning results in delays and changes

Changes take time to agree technically and commercially

If not well managed...

Building Safety Regulator approval will add time and delays

- Major Change 6 weeks
- Notifiable Change 10 days





BY FAILING TO PREPARE, YOU ARE PREPARING TO FAIL

Benjamin Franklin



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A focus on fire stopping – mind the gap

A focus on Fire Stopping -



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Agenda:

- Quick Bit of History
- The need for Culture Change
- Common challenge with Firestopping
 - Flaws with current practices
 - Regulatory Changes in the pipeline
 - What can we do while we wait?







Who are the ASFP?

Originally formed in 1975 in recognition of a need to bring together Passive Fire Protection:

- Manufacturers
- Installation contractors
- Testing/certification bodies
- To encourage, develop and give guidance on essential standards in PFP.

Underpinned by voluntary use of Third Party Certification





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Brief Legislative Update Hackitt Review - Final report 17 May 2018

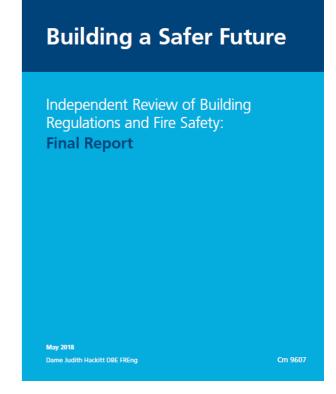
- Recognised a need for culture change in construction
- Consider fire earlier in design

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- Sign off for 'Gateway' steps
 Gateways 2 & 3 in October 2023?
- Full Plans end of Design & Build?
- Third Party Certification (products/installers)
- Recommendations on increasing competence.







It is clear as I continue to meet with various stakeholders that the level of activity is rising in preparation for the new requirements and responsibilities under the Building Safety Act.

Consultation on secondary legislation is moving at pace bringing the clarity required for many who will have new responsibilities.

2023 really is the year to stop seeing building safety as a regulatory compliance issue and join the group of leaders who understand both the moral imperative, and also the market advantage opportunity, of doing the right thing.



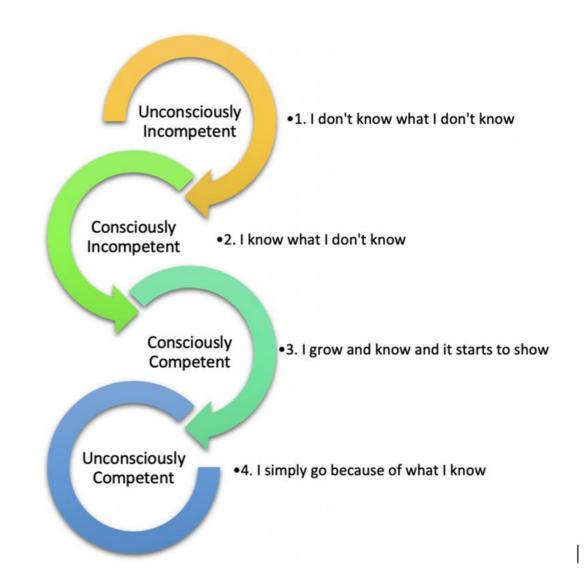


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PFP Market Competence....

- Lots of people have recently moved from stage 1 to stage 2.
- Where risks were ignored, now more risk averse
- Still see Pink foam seals on linked in....

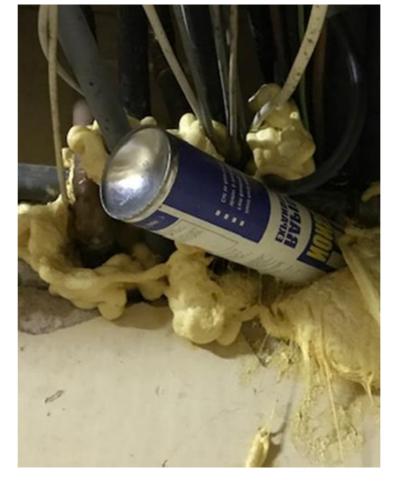


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We are still seeing examples like this on Linked in - Why?





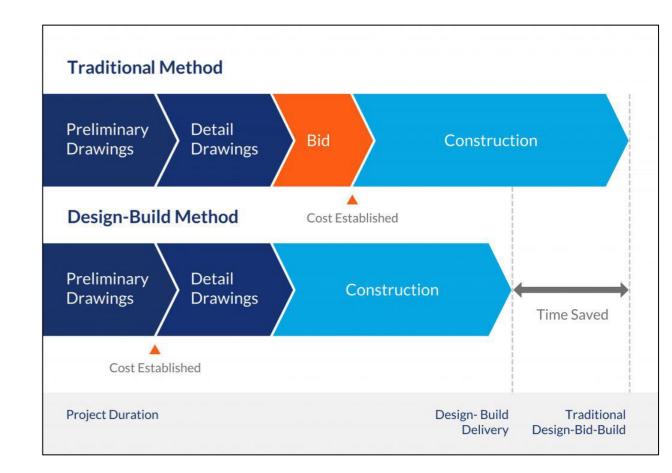


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When to involve fire specialists?

- Design & Build projects lead to late design
- Typically, Specialist contractors, MEP contractors & fire sub contractors are still doing design work after construction has started.
- Gateway 2 will require full plans (RIBA 4)

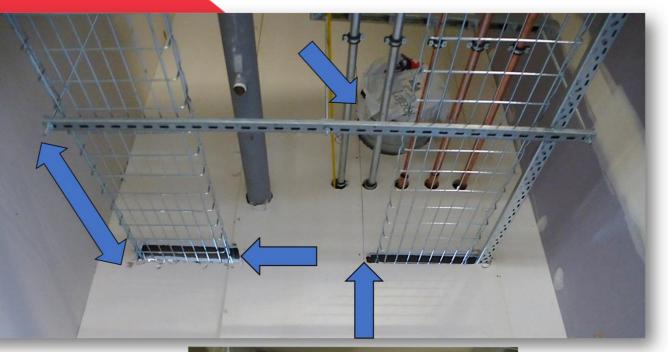






Design doesn't always help











What about this one ?

- Mixed penetrations of pipes and cables are OK....
- But no current standard covering combined penetrations of pipes and cables with ducts and/or dampers
- Gateway 2 will highlight this before it is too late



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When to involve fire specialists?

- ASFP BESA FIS BSRIA GPDA Best Practice in designing and specifying Firestopping
- Prepared by a collaborative approach to resolve why Firestopping failures occur on site
- Launched in Sept 2020, advises that firestopping is considered earlier and greater depth in design process





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- ASFP BESA FIS BSRIA GPDA Best Practice in designing and specifying Firestopping
- Helps with a series of 37 questions
- 7 about supporting construction
- 3 about the opening
- 24 questions about the service
- Available to download at www.asfp.org.uk







ASFP BESA FIS BSRIA GPDA Next Collaboration

- QR Code linked to loads of info if you are about to pass a service through a fire wall.
 - Stop
 - Think
 - Plan
 - Check
 - Record

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Cutting or drilling holes through it may allow smoke and fire to breach the compartment leading to loss of life.







Passive Fire Protection

Since its inception ASFP has lobbied for improved standards in installed PFP underpinned by benefits of third party certification.

Future legislation changes will go some way to improve standards in the construction industry

But we should not solely rely on legislation...

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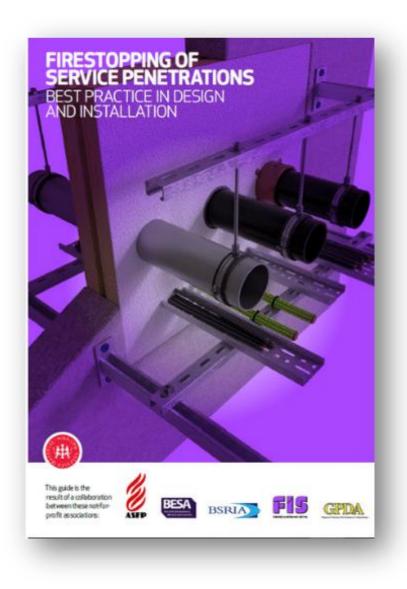


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