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## UPWAY, FORTON ROAD, CHARD

Refurbishment – Specialist Supported Housing – Healthcare



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**Description of works:**

These works involved adapting and refurbishing an existing two bed property for a resident who had learning difficulties and required 24 hour support. Hence, this project had important safety and wellness requirements which it needed to deliver.

The works included:

- Reinforced and sound attenuated interior walls.
- Upgraded fire resistance, fire doors and new fire detection and alarm installation to protect and discourage the resident from damaging the building fabric and to comply with the fire regulations.
- New door control entry system connected to the fire alarm to ensure the safety and security of the resident and to facilitate the support worker's role.
- A new kitchen designed for safety and ease of use: induction hob, lockable cupboards and new appliances.
- New wet room and sanitary ware installations, plumbing and anti-scald taps/shower provide a safe, functional bathroom with minimum maintenance requirements.
- Support Staff room containing building controls allow for 24/7 care, support and comfortable accommodation for the support workers.
- Fast internet connection installed into bedrooms to allow streaming media into the bedrooms.
- Creation of a safe and secluded garden space to provide a secure outside living and dining space.
- Improvement on EPC rating to decrease the long term maintenance costs and lower the carbon footprint of the building.

<b>Client:</b>	Purpose Social Homes Ltd on behalf of Somerset County Council & Inclusion Housing
<b>Architect:</b>	Inspired Partnership
<b>Contract Administrator:</b>	Inspired Partnership
<b>Form of Contract:</b>	JCT Minor Works Building Contract 2016
<b>Value:</b>	Undisclosed