



Approved Document O – Overheating risk  
Dynamic Thermal Modelling report  
For  
Proposed Development – 2 plots at 549 Manchester  
Road, Linthwaite, Huddersfield, HD7 5RH



## **PART O - OVERHEATING (2021) Building Regulation Dynamic Thermal Modelling Method Report**

**Assessment date: 23.04.2026**

**Assessor: Wiktor Aleksiejczyk**

**Project: 2 plots at 549 Manchester Road, Linthwaite, Huddersfield, HD7 5RH**

**The above project complies with Part O Dynamic Thermal Modelling Method based on the information provided on drawings\***

- **(0-) 02 Scheme as Proposed**
- **2018-91003 Noise Assessment 683782**

**and the proposed fabric and heating specifications for the development**

*\*Any changes to the design of the dwelling will require a re-assessment for compliance to Part O – please contact the Technical Office on 01977 673221*

### **Summary of Overheating Mitigation Strategy**

- Windows U-value **1.30 W/m<sup>2</sup>K**, g-value of **0.63**,
- **Ground floor windows** are closed during the night as they are “easily accessible”. Ground floor front elevation windows to **Living / Kitchen** and first floor windows to **Bedroom 1** are closed **during day and night** as recommended by **Noise Impact Assessment**,
- **Plot 1** - To achieve compliance with Part O, first floor **Bedroom 1** to have an intermittent extract fan capable of extracting a minimum of **40 litres / second**,
- **Plot 2** - To achieve compliance with Part O, first floor **Bedroom 1** to have an intermittent extract fan capable of extracting a minimum of **36 litres / second**
- Dwelling to have System 1 ventilation (intermittent extract), ventilation strategy for the dwelling to be designed by ventilation supplier/engineer with suitable qualification.





## Protection from falling

Approved Document O gives additional guidance on increased levels of protection from falling (when compared to Part K) for any opening that is included in the overheating strategy. Where the difference between the internal floor level and the outside floor level exceeds 600mm, guarding should be provided at a height of 1100mm (+0mm/-100mm) and could include, but is not limited to, the following:-

- Shutters with a child proof lock
- Fixed internal guarding (minimum of 600mm above inside floor level if horizontal bars)
- Fixed external guarding

**As the windows open outwards, internal guarding is the most suitable way to comply with Part O where window heights dictate that it is required.**

## Interaction with other Approved Documents

This document only demonstrates compliance with Part O Overheating (2021 edition). The following Approved Documents still need to be complied with; Part B, Part F, Part J, Part K, Part L, Part M and Part Q. Any overlap with these documents need to be addressed by the Principle Designer for the scheme

## Key terms

**Cross-ventilation** The ability to ventilate using openings on opposite facades of a dwelling. Openings that are not opposite does not allow for cross-ventilation e.g. corner flat

**Effective area** The area through which air flows after the resistance of airflow has been taken into account

**Equivalent area** A measure of aerodynamic performance of an opening. It is the area of a sharp-edged circular orifice through which air would pass at the same volume flow rate, under an identical applied pressure difference, as through the opening under consideration

**Floor area** The area of the residential unit, measured to the internal face of the perimeter walls at each floor level

**Floor area of the room** The area of the room measured to the internal face of the perimeter walls. Where a room serves more than one activity e.g. open plan kitchen and living room, the area with the largest glazing area should be assessed and the room area calculated based on a room depth no greater than 4.5m from the glazed façade

**Free area** The geometric open area of ventilation opening. This area assumes a clear sharp-edged orifice that would have a coefficient of discharge of 0.62

**Glazing area** The area of transparent material, not including the window frame



<b>Building and Site Details</b>	
<b>Site Name</b>	
<b>Site Address</b>	<b>549 Manchester Road, Linthwaite, Huddersfield, HD7 5RH</b>
<b>Building Use</b>	<b>Residential</b>
<b>Are there any security, noise, or pollution</b>	<b>Noise Impact Assessment</b>
<b>Date of Assessment</b>	<b>23.04.2026</b>
<b>Assessors Details</b>	
<b>Assessors Name</b>	<b>Wiktor Aleksiejczyk</b>
<b>Assessors Organisation</b>	<b>Plasmor Ltd</b>
<b>Assessors Address</b>	<b>PO Box 44 Womersley Road Knottingley West Yorkshire WF11 0DN</b>
<b>Modelling Details</b>	
<b>Dynamic software name and version</b>	<b>DesignBuilder v2025. 1</b>
<b>Weather file location used, including any additional, more extreme weather files</b>	<b>Leeds_DSY1_2020High50_</b>
<b>TM59: Occupant Category</b>	<b>Category II (normal)</b>
<b>Has the building construction proposal been modelled accurately</b>	<b>YES</b>
<b>Have the analysed rooms passed the assessment for Approved Doc O Dynamic Thermal Modelling Method (CIBSE TM 59)?</b>	<b>YES</b>



## **Building Regulations: Approved Document O**

Building Regulations Part O applies to new residential dwellings and covers the overheating mitigation requirements of the building regulations set out in Approved Document Part O

The aim of the requirement Approved Document O is to protect the health and welfare of occupants of new residential buildings, by reducing the occurrence of high indoor temperatures.

### **Criteria to meet compliance**

CIBSE TM59 overheating methodology for predominantly naturally ventilated rooms assesses against two criteria, (a) and (b) (for Category I occupancy criterion A,  $T_{max}$  is reduced by 1K):

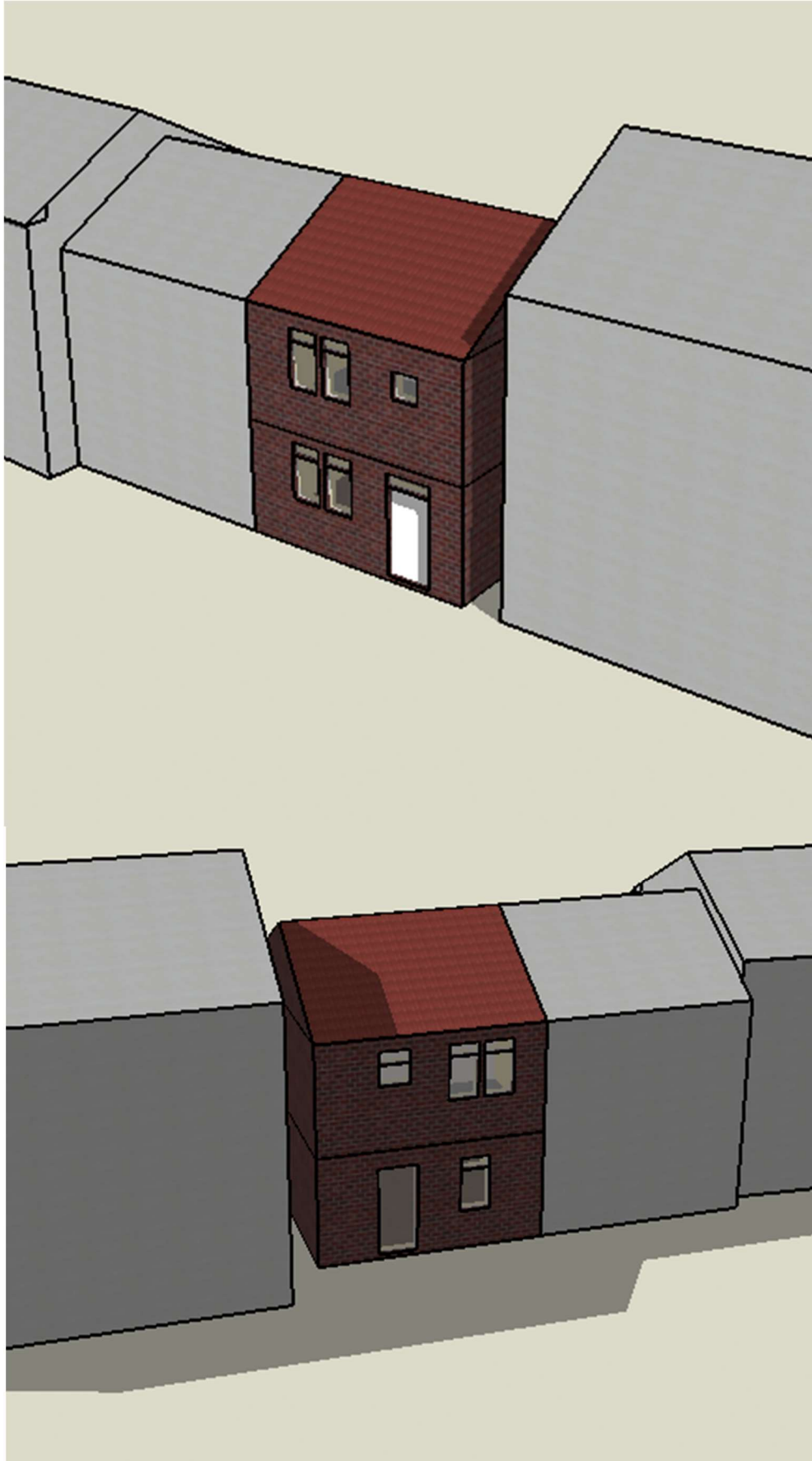
Criterion (a) states that for living rooms, kitchens and bedrooms, the number of hours during which  $\Delta T$  is greater than or equal to 1K from May to September (or November to March for southern hemisphere locations) shall not exceed 3% of occupied hours.

Criterion (b) states that the operative temperature of the bedrooms from 22:00-07:00 shall not exceed 26°C for more than 1% of annual hours (33 hours is therefore recorded as a fail). Approved document O applies limits to CIBSE TM59 section 3.3 (openings); these requirements are applied by appropriate assignment scripted profiles in the model.

CIBSE TM59 overheating methodology for predominantly mechanically ventilated rooms states the operative temperature of all rooms shall not exceed 26°C for more than 3% of annual occupied hours.

CIBSE TM59 also states that the inclusion of corridors in the overheating analysis is mandatory where community heating pipework runs through them. While there is no mandatory target for communal corridors, if an operative temperature of 28°C is exceeded for more than 3% of the total annual hours this should be identified as a significant risk.

External Model Image:





## Results

The table below shows the results obtained from the Part O Dynamic Thermal Modelling assessment of the overheating risk in the occupied areas of the dwelling split by room.

### Plot 1 facing Northwest:

Criteria for predominantly naturally ventilated homes

Block	Zone	Criterion A (%)	Criterion B (hr)	Pass/Fail
FIRSTFLOOR	BEDROOM1	0.07	31.67	Pass
FIRSTFLOOR	BEDROOM2	0.00	3.17	Pass
GROUNDFLOOR	KITCHENLIVING	0.04	N/A	Pass

### Plot 2 facing Northwest:

Criteria for predominantly naturally ventilated homes

Block	Zone	Criterion A (%)	Criterion B (hr)	Pass/Fail
FIRSTFLOOR	BEDROOM1	0.11	30.33	Pass
FIRSTFLOOR	BEDROOM2	0.00	5.17	Pass
GROUNDFLOOR	KITCHENLIVING	0.05	N/A	Pass

## Conclusion

An overheating assessment has been undertaken for 2 plots at **549 Manchester Road, Linthwaite, Huddersfield, HD7 5RH** on behalf of the developer. The assessment demonstrates the performance of occupied areas against the requirements of Building Regulations Approved Document O (2021) and CIBSE TM59 for predominantly naturally ventilated homes.

This study concludes that all spaces have been able to demonstrate compliance against the Part O Dynamic Thermal Modelling analysis for homes.