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**Subject:** Re: Means of Escape for Disabled People

Thanks mate.

I've heard this concern before. I don't think it really is a problem as BS 5588 Part 8 is as good as you are going to get but the DRC and their pals are determined to reinvent the wheel.

It would be helpful if we could give the Responsible Person a clearer indication of what measures they could reasonably be expected to provide.

Brian

>>> Andy Jack 11/16/05 10:38 am >>>

I'm waiting to hear formally what they decided. Basics of it were DRC said that all the guidance on solutions for means of escape for disabled people were spread over so many disparate bits of guidance they no-one could find them.

Clive offered that we may be able to find resource (money) to pay someone to draw together a short summary of existing guidance - which would only be on the web and which could be updated in the light of what you are doing. I said I'd have a chat with you guys once BCSF had taken a view at the end of the meeting (the results of which I'm waiting to hear). That said Pamela Castle phoned me about something else and said the upshot was that was the sort of thing they think is needed.

We'll need a proper chat to see what (if anything) can be done and how it can fit with your research and ADB revisions.

Andy

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>>> Brian Martin 16/11/05 10:25:11 >>>  
Andy

I just took a call from a disgruntled Dennis O'Brien (even more disgruntled than usual!)

Apparently there was some decision made at the BCSF yesterday about progressing some guidance on the management of disabled evacuation.

Picking through the expletives it appears that Dennis is concerned that the proposed work may conflict/undermine the projects that BD has just let to BRE in relation to the use of lifts for evacuation.

Can you please let us know what was actually decided and how you plan to progress this please.

Best Regards  
Brian