

## INNER CITY SOCIAL HOUSING, LEWISHAM, LONDON

There are many challenges for authorities and housing associations when managing inner city properties that require passenger lifts. Reliability and safety, in particular, can present daily issues in some situations where lifts are used by multiple tenants, some of whom could have limited mobility or be wheelchair bound.

Reliability had become an issue for the tenants living in a post 2,000 development of houses and apartment blocks in Lewisham. The issue related to four of the six-storey apartment blocks that had Schindler lifts installed when the blocks were built. These original Schindler Smart MRL simplex lifts, had been under maintenance by the same lift contractor for some time and as a result, the rapport between the building managers and the maintenance company was good.

In an effort to improve reliability and lower repair costs, the decision was made to replace the lift controllers in four of the six-storey apartment blocks.

To assist with the project, Lester Controls had on-site meetings with the lift contractor to ensure our MRL controller and landing control equipment easily fitted into the lifts' MRL landing control cabinet. This was really important to allow for the retention of the existing 750mm high x 350mm wide landing MMI cabinets and hand-winding systems.

Lester Controls supplied ALMEGA II solutions along with full serial Flexibus systems and Lester Controls indicators, landing fixtures and fittings.



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