

# PRE-INVESTIGATION REPORT



<b>Site Location</b>	Manchester Place
<b>Report Date</b>	11 <sup>th</sup> April 2008
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## Background

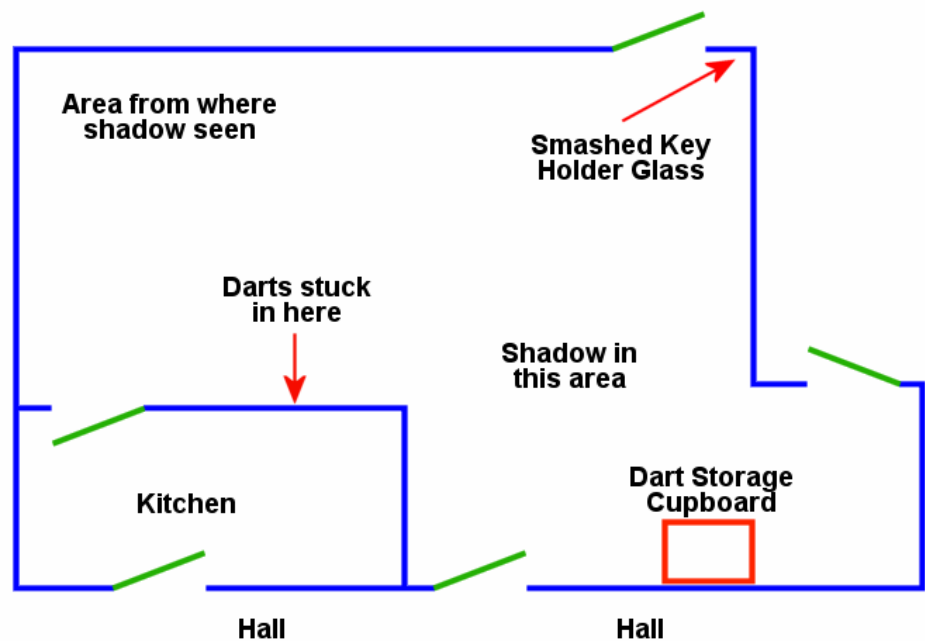
These notes are the result of a meeting with two of the senior members of LuBYA (The Luton and Bedfordshire Youth Association), Tracey and Mark. Tracey is a former member of LPS and decided to call us in to investigate 'occurrences' which were unusual in nature. The text below was taken from notes recorded at the time of the initial meeting.

## Meeting Notes

Project Manager Tracey Powell and Mark Hills told us that sometimes, when they are in the building, on their own, they have heard strange noises but when they investigate there is nothing there. Whilst typing they have noticed someone walk passed even though the building was locked and there should have been no one there. One night the building was locked up yet the next morning a dozen darts were found stuck high up in a wall in the office that Mark uses. Six members of the team have keys to the building but none of them returned and the building is alarmed (all of the doors are lockable). In addition things regularly move. The front door has been heard to open (it is difficult to open without making a noise) followed by footsteps crossing the wooden floor yet there is no one there. One morning when Mark entered his office he found the glass in the emergency key holder (in the room shown in the drawing on the right) had been smashed. Most of the strange happenings occur in this office, which is used by Mark as well as in the Hall and the front door area.

Rural Youth Development Officer Tracey and Mark have been talking with the young people they work with about having the buildings investigated. Some of the people are naturally sceptical whilst others aren't and they feel that they want to have the site investigated and turn it into a project. They are flexible about what we do during the investigation. We suggested that they might set up trigger objects for their own interest before the investigation.

Tracey believes that the buildings (the main building and another to the south), both of which are made of wood, were put up around sixty years ago and that the site used to be occupied by cottages. The building to the south was formerly the Pioneer Boys Club and has recently undergone updates



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including a new wall by the kitchen and new cupboards. The wall closes off a section of the building which is unused due to the condition of the roof. The buildings had been leased off Dunstable Town Council for twenty years before LuBYA took it over four years ago. They are registered as a charity.

Two interesting things happened whilst we were there. Whilst sitting in the office talking about the event I distinctly heard footsteps climbing a flight of stairs then walking a short distance across an upper floor. This was interesting because there are no stairs and no upper floor to the building. The second one was a bit odd and involved the name of one of the two LuBYA members. When we first started talking Tracey introduced Mark and I wrote his name in my notes but I wrote it as Dave. I was sitting just a couple of metres from Tracey and could not have misheard so why did I write Dave?