

Kairos, South London



Client: Kairos Community Trust

In Partnership With: CRASH Charity

Corporate Patrons: Glazing Vision, Arcadis and Gardiner & Theobald

Glazing Vision supplied a Manual VisionVent for a CRASH Charity project, to be integrated into a Kairos Community Trust move-on house for the people experiencing homeless.

Manual VisionVent



Qualicoat approved powder coated frame

Secured by Design to LPS2081/1

Thermally broken framework

Glazing Vision became a Corporate Patron of [CRASH](#), the construction industry's charity, in 2021, and since then have helped promote different fundraisers, donated money to the charity, and have provided expert advice to support CRASH on their mission which is to deliver meaningful social impact to communities across the UK by helping homelessness charities and hospices with vital construction projects.

One project Glazing Vision supported CRASH with was the redevelopment of a move-on house for formerly homeless people, located in South London. CRASH was approached by [Kairos Community Trust](#) to help with the redevelopment where the aim was to create a new kitchen/diner, bathrooms, counselling rooms and group therapy rooms.



Kairos Community Trust, a dedicated organisation addressing homelessness and addiction, emphasises the importance of providing a safe and stable home as the starting point for recovery. They assist homeless individuals struggling with substance abuse through their abstinence-support hostel, rehabilitation programs, and a network of 29 supported move-on houses in London. These move-on houses play a critical role in transitioning people from homelessness to independent living.

Jon Shooter (Managing Director) visited the project and recognised the immediate necessity for assistance. There was a leakage problem in the kitchen area and the kitchen needed ventilation so the residents could let out heat or steam from cooking. Therefore, Jon Shooter had proposed a [Manual VisionVent](#) would be a good solution.



“CRASH is the recognised charity for the construction industry. We took part in the project so that we could offer our products and our skills and knowledge in construction. It’s a great charity run by very passionate people who make great use of the resources that they have.” – Jon Shooter, Managing Director at Glazing Vision.



The Manual VisionVent is a great choice as the easy maintenance, weatherproofing and ventilation are key features of a frequently used rooflight with an operable design. In a generous gesture, the new rooflight was extended to Kairos Community Trust, via CRASH and Glazing Vision, at a substantially discounted rate, including a favourable service rate courtesy of our sister company, [Glazing Renovations](#). This not only effectively resolved the leakage issue but also significantly elevated the kitchen’s waterproofing, thereby enhancing the overall comfort and quality of life for Kairos residents. Furthermore, it proved to be an invaluable asset in maintaining the home’s upkeep, thanks to the ventilation capabilities offered by the Manual VisionVent.

“The Kairos property at Nunhead Lane has been transformed into a comfortable, safe home, to a standard which exudes welcome and respect for the six residents with complex needs who live there. With the help of CRASH we have maximised the potential of the house and honoured the integrity of the exterior in keeping with this conservation area. This building is a great asset to the charity and gives me great joy and pride. Thanks, CRASH, for your generous help.” - Mossie Lyons, Director at Kairos Community Turst.



The new rooflight didn't only solve the leakage problem but provided light, air and space to the move-on home. Light coming from the rooflight will now flood one of the most social areas of the home and be inviting to any residents needing a place to call home. This fresh start for the home mirrors the opportunity to its residents and gives them assurance that situations can improve and be better in the future with the help of the Kairos team.



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