CHECKLIST

Panic bar inspection checklist

- [ ] Push the bar firmly from the left end, centre and right end; confirm the latch withdraws cleanly each time
- [ ] Check all visible fixing screws for tightness and signs of corrosion
- [ ] Open and close the door fully; listen for grinding, rattling or sticking
- [ ] Inspect the strike plate in the frame for wear, misalignment or loose screws
- [ ] Confirm the door closes fully under the closer's power without slamming
- [ ] Test the bar with your forearm at walking pace, simulating an emergency exit
- [ ] Verify that external access works independently without affecting the inside release
- [ ] Record the inspection date and any adjustments made in your fire safety log