

Newsletter July 2024

## Dear Resident (s)

I hope you have all been keeping well and would firstly like to apologise for the delay in sending out this newsletter. I have been waiting for confirmation on a few things which I'm sure you can appreciate.

I would like to start by thanking you all for the support in the Bar during the Euro's. Although the end result wasn't what we hoped for, the community spirit, especially over the last few weeks has been amazing and it's been great to see so many new and old faces showing their support for our team.

### **Refuse Disposal**

As you are aware we have been in a 28-day consultation period over the proposed new 'bin bays.' All emails, handwritten letters, petitions etc have been counted and included and the consultation period has now closed. We will update all residents as soon as possible as to next steps. Although we don't have an answer yet, I thought it would be best to still include on this newsletter.

### Vfast

We have a new internet provider on Park – Vfast. Thank you to those residents that have already signed up and have your installation dates booked in. There will be a cut off date for your current BT Internet, again, still waiting on confirmation but I think it will be end of September 2024. If you have a landline, you will be able to keep this free of charge with your existing phone number and the cost will be £10 a month for the phone line. (instead of the current £25) The disconnection of your BT Internet and the new installation of Vfast will be carried out free of charge and you will need to cancel your standing order to Sandy Bay and instead set a new one up to Vfast. Your monthly cost for internet will remain the same as you are paying now. If you have any questions, the Vfast team will be happy to talk to you either via their online chat which you'll find on their website: www.vfast.co.uk or call them on 01227 668901.

#### **Changes in the Bar**

On Monday  $22^{nd}$  – Wednesday  $24^{th}$  July we are having new beer lines installed in the bar. No draft will be available on these dates; however, bottled drinks will still be available. Apologies for the inconvenience but the lines are in need of an upgrade so this will be a positive action. We will be rolling out the new food menu on Friday  $26^{th}$  July so please keep your eye out for some new and exciting dishes and give us your feedback. Rumours that food served in the bar will be in cardboard boxes is not true. New dart boards and electronic score boards have made a great addition in the bar too.



## Fish and Chip Van

The fish and chip van that has been on park twice has not been told not to come back. The van was a great success both times and we are pleased that residents enjoyed the food and service. Our plan is to try out various vendors, so we have a variety of different foods based on suggestions that have come in from yourselves, Caribbean, pie and mash for example. Rumours that the fish and chip van will not be back onsite at all is also not true, we just don't have set days and was going to make it occasional.

## **Swimming Pool**

Our new electric swimming pool cover is arriving and will be installed Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> July. Unfortunately, this does mean the swimming pool will have to be closed for the day. The pool will be open again 9am Friday 26<sup>th</sup> July. Our water aerobics sessions have been a great success again so far this year and as a reminder the sessions are Wednesdays 1.30pm – 2.30pm and cost £5 if you would like to join in.

### **Decking**

We have some residents still awaiting decking repairs, if you have a black sundecks deck, the repairs will be carried out by Dan and his team from Premier Parks Services. If you haven't heard from Dan, don't panic, you are still on the list. If you are still waiting for a date, please contact 01621 869193 to get booked in. If you have moved in on phase 2 and have issues with your deck, please contact UK Sundecks as your warranty is with them.

### Fit & Proper Person

It has taken a while for paperwork, checks etc to be carried out by Castle Point Council regarding Lee's fit & proper person application for the park. We are pleased to inform you that this has now all gone through, and Lee is on the register! Please feel free to checks the council's website for more details.

I would just like to thank you on a personal note for all the well wishes I have received about my baby news. I am having a boy end of November, and I am over the moon. I will still be around for a few more months and will be coming back after my maternity leave. I know you will be in good hands with the rest of the team while I'm away.

Kind regards Gemma, Sandy Bay Management



Our sales team have been working hard to make partnerships with the below local businesses. A great way for our residents to make some savings too! Contact the below numbers and give your Sandy Bay address to receive discounts on their services.

#### **Bloom Town Flowers**

01268 435218 10% off orders

## **Hair Of The Dog**

01268 916297

10% off services with a pick-up service, 15% off if you take your dog to the shop

## **Fionas Beauty Studio**

01268 681884 £5 off first service

# **Shutters By James**

07756 096528 10% off orders

## The Rooms Hair & Beauty

01268 681116 10% off services

# **Canvey Cycles**

01268 699772

10% off servicing and repairs to bicycles.

## **Glow & Hollands Health**

07834 364029

15% off services

# The Crystal Haven

07976 936638

10% off full price treatments & packages. If you book a course of x4 £25 treatments in advance, receive 15% off)