

A NEW LIFE BY THE SEA

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Dear Homeowner,

Aime pendants



In this New Year 2022 edition of our newsletter, I thought it may be an opportune time to talk about the Aime Pendant. This is an emergency button (that all Homeowners are issued with on moving in) that can be worn either on the wrist or on a lanyard around the neck. They are particularly useful for those living alone who are concerned with what might happen if they fall, but they can be used for any health emergency.

When the Aime Pendant is pressed the red light on it shines, showing the pendant is activated. The speech Module in the Hallway will then 'beep', and a Tunstall Operator will answer within a few seconds, asking if help is required. The clever part is that the Tunstall Operator knows that it is the personal trigger (as they call it) that has been pressed so they know that it is a health emergency they are responding to. So, if they cannot speak to anyone, they will call an Ambulance just to be sure. The microphone is good enough to be heard from most rooms in your property and so by calling out "I have fallen and need help" the Operator has enough information to know the nature of the assistance you need. Don't worry if you activate the Aime pendant by mistake, you can explain to the Tunstall Operator that you are fine when they answer the call, and they will close the call down.

Now in Brigg Court I am responsible for testing these Pendants every 3 months as part of the Tunstall system checks, but I am not required to do this in Chantry Gardens. And this got me thinking, these ought to be checked at regular intervals to make sure the system works when its needed. So, my advice to Chantry Gardens Homeowners is to test their pendants in the Hallway near the Tunstall speech module and make sure it's working every quarter. January 2022 would be a great month to start! When the operator comes on tell them you are testing the system, they will not mind one bit.

Now this puts me in mind of one of the biggest issues with Aime pendants and their use. Sometimes when I ask Homeowners if I can test their pendant, they say it's in a safe place and they go to get it. After trying three different drawers they then remember its somewhere else. You can see the problem here, not much use if you've fallen or are very unwell. This of course is up to the Homeowner; we are independent living and the use of them is up to the individual. However, it is a great pity if they are needed and are not to hand.

Data Protection and Homeowner Details

For data protection purposes Homeowners have the right to know how their information is used and shared. The information provided by New Homeowners to the House Manager is shared with Tunstall Care so they know who you are should you need assistance and contact a relative or friend on your behalf. I also share telephone numbers and email with Lorraine's Customer Services so they can contact Homeowners directly with updates for repairs if I am not available. Over time, contact information will change and so if you've had a landline installed or wish to list or change contact details please let me know.

Pet Policy

Something you will probably be aware of is that McCarthy Stone Developments have a Pet Policy. If you are thinking of getting a Pet please ask me for a copy. To have a pet you need permission from the Managing Agent, agreeing that the Pet will not be a nuisance to others.

The Policy says that Cats are not allowed to roam free, must live within the Homeowners dwelling and that Cat litter needs to be carefully disposed of. Except for Guide Dogs, smaller breeds of Dogs are recommended for communal living, not least to ensure the homeowner is able to physically handle the dog safely.

The Policy goes on to say that pets are not allowed in the Communal Lounge or Guest suite and need to be kept on a lead in all other areas. **The exercise of Dogs needs to be off the site of the development, and it is important that they do not foul the grounds, footpaths or roadways. This Policy applies to visitors as well as Homeowners.**

We are very fortunate here at Chantry Gardens / Brigg Court; Firstly, because we have very sensible Pet owners who follow these rules carefully and secondly because we have a beautiful country park next door and a beach nearby to give our beloved pooches plenty of exercise.

Morrison's Delivery Service

Morrison's have a doorstep delivery service which you can read about this on page 25 of the Christmas Emerald magazine. If you've mislaid yours (recycling?), there are some copies in the lounge. Basically, you write your shopping list and ring 0345 611 6111 and choose option 5. You then give the codeword 'Loyalty' and tell them you are a McCarthy and Stone customer. This entitles you to FREE delivery (saving £2.50) and you get a morning delivery rather than an all-day one. Also, and this is the best part, if you tell them it's your first order you get a free bunch of flowers! Payments have to be by contactless credit or debit card.

Finally, I want to I take this opportunity to thank you for the warm welcome I have received at Brigg Court / Chantry Gardens and the lovely Christmas wishes and pressies. Thank you very much. Wishing you all a splendid New Year and a wonderful 2022 in your new homes



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Beetle Tuesday 4th Jan, **Bingo**, Monday 10th Jan and Details of **Quiz** to be announced later please check the Events notice board for more details.



You never know what you are going to find on your lawn. JC trying out the astroturf.



Its about time they get the sat nav right for Chantry Gardens!

As we look back at 2021 it's been quite an upheaval for most of us and we have kept the NHS busy with slips and trips and jabs. We have kept local tradesmen busy and McCarthy Stone workmen with all our repairs and changes to our properties. Who would have thought we would be so busy? At least with the seagull spikes installed we have a clean roof and not too many seagulls venture onto the site. I don't know whether they target us but there have been a few splattered patios, especially if the washing is out drying.

We had a good summer, plenty of sunshine and events in Filey and activities are springing up in Brigg Court for all residents.

We were all hoping to get back to a normal way of life with holidays but as we see the old year out the virus is spreading quickly again and we all have to take care.

Some of you may have popped Christmas Cards through our letter boxes, some of us decided just to do one card and put it in the lounge and a donation to charity. Most of us don't have space to display cards.

As we all now know the foibles of the Tunstall system and the defective sensors have been replaced we don't see much of the fire brigade or police now. Burnt offerings are still at the number one spot for getting a "are you alright Mr/Mrs....." "yes we have just had burnt toast for breakfast again, the fire brigade isn't needed today thank you".

Hopefully the flood defences have now been sorted. Quite a lot of work has been done again.

WILDLIFE

30 Nov, Guy spotted 6 purple sandpipers, 2 turnstone, 1 redshank, 2 great northern divers, 1 Guy saw catch a fish.

10 Dec, 97 Oystercatchers

GUY AND JANE'S ALLOTMENT PROGRESS

With lots of hard work Guy and Jane have transformed their plot at the allotments. Very impressive. You can work out the before and after photos.



Useful Information

Next Bin Collection

Green Thurs 6 January

Blue Wed 12 January

Green Tues 18 January

Blue Mon 24 January

Green Mon 31 January

Handyman Wayne (WB Services)

has done a lot of work in apartments and bungalows 07774 913191

wbservices2018@gmail.com.

Lazer Radio Taxis

Filey 01723 515515

Scarborough 01723

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Usually charge £4 to White Lodge. No service on Christmas Day

Dial a Ride

This has been advertised by This is the Coast Bridlington Radio. Small bus, Tel 01723 354434 See website for area covered and prices. <http://www.scarboroughdialaride.org>

Carpet Cleaning -

Simon and the firm is Carpet Magic. His contact numbers are 01723 563307 and 07795233752.

TV aerial and satellite

Specialist – Lee Adams

0780 4469734.

Trouble with your feet?

– Angela recommends Michele Crawford 07904715635

and a new one

Helen 07736 126726



All dressed up in our finest bib and tucker for Christmas dinner at the White Lodge Hotel.



CHRISTMAS FESTIVITIES



Chantry Gardens and Brigg Court residents do love a party! Christmas came early with a get-together on December 1 to dress the Christmas tree, complete with mince pies and festive tipples provided by house manager William.

Margaret and John turned up dressed as elves to mark Elf Day and raised £115 for the Alzheimer's Society. On December 10 we enjoyed our Christmas lunch at the White Lodge Hotel. It was a very enjoyable - if long - afternoon! Thanks to William for organising and to Colin, the minibus driver, who provided a shuttle service.

The Sales Team added to the Christmas spirit with an event on December 16. Annie led us all in a very enthusiastic if not entirely note-perfect rendition of some



Singalong-a-Christmas at the Sales Team's festive event.

favourite Christmas carols and songs. 'Strictly' fans got together to watch the final on December 18, with the £20 sweepstake won by John "twinkle toes" Clarke. Some residents enjoyed more festive jollity on Christmas Morning and on Boxing Day 007 made an appearance, with a screening of the latest Bond film 'No Time to Die'. Remember to join the party from 7pm on New Year's Eve for more fun, fizz and festivities!



Sue and her elf assistant (aka Margaret) helping to trim the tree and get Christmas 2021 underway.

WHO DO YOU THINK YOU ARE

1. Name, Age, Place of Birth

Mary Kenworthy, (only just reached 75) Leeds

2. What is your proudest accomplishment?

Qualified in the regional British Telecom Golf Championship at Moortown, Leeds and played at The Belfry in the finals. Didn't win but a great experience especially the last hole over the water where the Ryder Cup used to be played.

3. If you could live anywhere, where would it be?

Chantry Gardens, Filey is the best place I have lived. Visited Oz, NZ, California, Montana, Wyoming and Europe but can't beat North Yorkshire.

4. What makes you laugh the most?

Light hearted banter. Lots of stuff makes me laugh daily.

5. What would you sing at Karaoke night?

Wouldn't – only sing in a group. We started Beaumont Park Ukulele Group in 2013, had fun, entered competitions and played at Huddersfield Town Hall every year in the Mrs Sunderland music competition.

6. Who would you want to be stranded with on a deserted island?

My husband, unfortunately he passed away October 2019.

7. If you could go back in time, what year would you travel to?

1950s, life was simple, the summers always appeared long and sunny. We had a small farm, worked in the fields, "Pru" was my pet Hereford heifer. Happy days.

8. What's the most daring thing you've ever done?

1. Teton Wagon Train Adventure, Jackson Hole, Wyoming. Being the only UK tourists we were invited to take the reins of a team of four pulling the chuck Wagon. Horse riding, walking and singing around the camp fire. Looked after by a group of cowboys to protect us from bears and snakes.

2. Walking over Sydney Harbour Bridge.



9. What do you do to keep fit?

Walking. The table tennis incident has curtailed the exercise. Knee improving.

10. Are you related or distantly related to anyone famous?

No. Family tree is work in progress but only publicans and miners so far.

11. What is your favourite book to read?

Detective stories. Don't read much now, prefer playing bridge.

12. What's the most unusual thing you've ever eaten?

Nothing unusual but most memorable Turbot at a beach eatery in Portugal. Best I have tasted.