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Message from Kevin Miller, the Chairman & the Board of Directors

Welcome to our Spring newsletter!

Yesterday, we heard of the sad news of the death of Mike Cartwright, who lived at 63 Lily Close. Mike was a Director of St Paul's Court for many years and was instrumental in obtaining the freehold from the London Borough of Hammersmith and Fulham. Mike also served as a Borough councillor for 26 years and then as Mayor. In 2019, he was honored with the Freedom of the Borough in recognition for his lifetime of public service.

Many of us will have experienced some dark and difficult days during the pandemic but with the excellent roll-out of the vaccine and adherence to the Covid-19 restrictions there are signs that we can begin to feel more hopeful and positive of the future and look forward to some sort of normality as we move forward in the year.

During the past year we learned a great deal and evolved to meet the changing circumstances of doing business during the pandemic. We expect that many of these changes will continue to be the same for some time. The Estate Office will shortly be reopened as national restrictions are lifted.

To help us with some of these changes, we welcomed back Angela Shakerchi, who retired a couple of years ago, to help us during our busy time in the Estate Office.

Wishing you a blooming couple of months before we head in the Summer season!

Kevin Miller, Chairman & the Board of Directors

Estate Works *Positive results!*

Annual Heating Switch-Off

The annual heating will be switched-off on Friday 30th April 2021. It will be switched back on again on 1st October 2021.

BBQs

- Inform your neighbours ahead of time that you are intending to have a barbeque.
- Position your barbeque as far away from the building as possible as this will cut down on unwanted smoke drifting into your neighbours' home or garden.
- Consider the timing of your BBQ - the ideal time for finishing barbeques is early evening as to avoid inconvenience to your neighbours.
- If it is particularly windy and the risk of smoke drifting is high, please consider postponing your barbeque.

Building Insurance

The Estate building insurance was recently renewed. A copy of the policy schedule can be downloaded from our website.

Book Swap

The books in the book rack outside the Estate Office building will be collected shortly by a charity as they have been there for some time. This will allow for space of new recycled books to be swapped. Once we have a confirmation date, this will be placed near the rack to give you plenty of time to collect books you might want.

Estate Office

For the moment, the Estate Office building doors will be remaining closed during this pandemic. Please be aware that not all staff have been fully vaccinated and they might be put at unnecessary risk, particularly from new variants. You can continue to contact the Estate Office via emails and phone to dealing with queries and maintenance issues.

Fire Exits & Balcony Paining

- Installation of scaffolding is due to commence on Tuesday 4th May 2021 and painting will commence soon after.
- Properties with fire exit or balcony above a garden, we will require access via gardens below.
- Roof street stairs and railings will not require scaffolding or access.

Gardens

- The Colet Gardens pedestrian entranceway has been refurbished and plants transferred to form a hedge around the rose garden near Block 1.
- A plant bed near Block 1, has been extended and a new bed near Block 3C is being prepared for planting,
- A new Liquidambar tree has been planted on the green.

Working together!

Kids on Playing, Roller Skates & Scooters

Parents, please ask your child to use the smaller green area near the picnic table for playing as this is a safer area and has limited footfall. They are then also able to make use of the paved area near the College for roller-skating and scooting.

Parents will need to ensure that their child is supervised at all times while playing on as the Estate insurance does not provide cover for accidents/incidents that might happen.



Scooters are almost silent and present a potential hazard to pedestrians.

Take-away Food Deliveries

If you have a delivery, please ask your delivery driver to phone you when they arrive at our pedestrian or vehicle gates so that you can collect your food from them. This avoids them entering the Estate and using their wheeled vehicles on footpaths.

Pedestrian Gates

Please make sure that the pedestrian gates are closed whilst entering and exiting the Estate as they do not automatically open and close behind you.