

Information Pack

The CHC Information Pack has been updated and will be circulated to all residents after the Board meeting on the 25th January.

Board Meeting

The Board will be finalising the budget for 2018 at the Board Meeting. In addition we will agree a questionnaire with project options for the next two years which will be circulated, to all shareholders as a consultation document before any decisions are made.

SOCIAL EVENTS

Irene and Pat have put together a list of social events for the year and I thought a reminder would be useful.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

28TH FEBRUARY COFFEE MORNING

Henry's Café Prestbury 10.30 – 12.30

MAY SUNDAY LUNCH

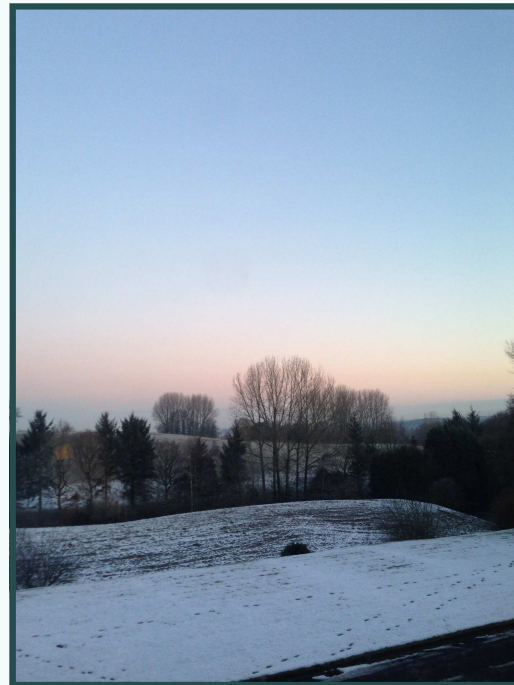
Bacchus Prestbury
(Please contact Pat/Irene with suggested dates)

MONDAY 27TH AUGUST BANK HOLIDAY

Garden party on the central lawn

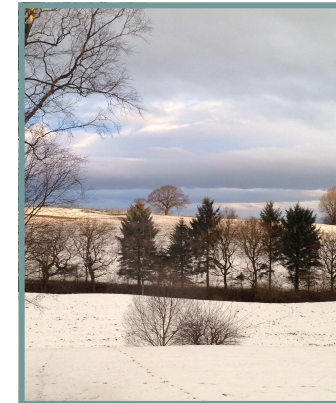
MAINTENANCE ISSUES

As you know Simon Higginbottom has moved to Goostrey. The Board will be discussing this vacancy on the 25th January. In the interim, if you have a communal maintenance issue, please contact David Swindells on
01625 829671



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NEW NEIGHBOUR

We have a new resident , Barbara Littler, in apartment 18 in Building E. On behalf of us all I would like to extend to Barbara a very warm welcome to Castle Hill Court and we look forward to meeting her at one of our social events.

ONLINE BANKING PAYMENTS

Residents may find it useful to make online bank transfers for payments. Ali has provided the following information should you wish to do so.

Account No 10035890

Sort code 162830

Please reference what the payment is for

Thanks Pat for raising this suggestion.

SMOKE ALARMS

David has contacted the Fire Service as to whether they still carry out free smoke alarm tests. The good news is that they still continue to do so for individual flats. Castle Hill Court is on the list for such a check at some point this year but they no longer provide a date, they just turn up! The Fire Service no longer carries out smoke alarm tests in communal areas so the Company will ensure that the alarms are checked by the electrician as part of his regular visit.



SECURITY

John Rose has reported that there has been an attempted break in at the back of Apartment 9 Building C.

David has spoken to the Cheshire Crime Prevention Team Officer for our area who has suggested that the controls we already have in place; double glazing, door entry systems, external lighting at night and double glazed entry doors, are all good practice. He has suggested that installing an effective CCTV system is worth considering, but he suggested it would need to be installed with a view to covering all the buildings. A cheaper option may be a CCTV camera at the entrance. Installing more powerful lighting at the back of C Building, which is not overlooked by any other building, may also help.

John Rose has pointed out that we don't have a Neighbourhood Watch scheme and that may also be worth considering.

WOULD ANYONE LIKE TO ORGANISE ONE?

The Crime Prevention site also provides the following Security Check List , most of which I'm sure we all follow.

CHESHIRE POLICE

SECURE YOUR HOME

Here is a list of some of the things you can do to improve the security around your home:

- If you are replacing or fitting new doors and windows, get ones that are certified to British Standard BS7950 (windows) or PAS 24-1 (doors)
- Fit mortise locks (Kitemarked BS3621) to all front and back doors and locks to all downstairs windows or windows which are easy to reach
- Keep your house and car keys safe and away from doors and windows
- Fit a burglar alarm, but make sure it is installed properly and works
- Keep your garage and garden shed locked with proper security locks, and keep any tools secure and out of sight
- Trim back any plants or hedges that a burglar could hide behind
- Make sure you have up-to-date home insurance.
- When you're away
- Do not leave your curtains closed during the daytime
- Use timer switches to turn on some lights when it gets dark
- Cancel any milk or newspaper deliveries
- Ask a neighbour or family member to look after your home.