

NEWS FROM THE BOARD AUGUST 2021

1 City Point

The Board has asked Andy Batty, owner of 27CP, to assist, with the next steps. He is Director of Financial Services for PWC. He has said that as a leaseholder, who is both independent personally and professionally of the issues surrounding 1CP, not involved with any "side" in the dispute and not a member of the Board, he would be prepared to attend meetings with retained surveyors and lawyers. He would participate in discussions, review lawyers' suggestions and report to the **leaseholders** his recommendations.

The initial surveyors' report was made available on request following our last Board meeting. If you wish for a copy, contact Kizzy at FHP.

The leaseholders of No 1 have been asked to supply the certification requested by the surveyor. To date they have not responded. The surveyor will be asked to clarify certain matters in his report and finalise it with the information to hand. The report raises questions of possible breach of the lease and so legal advice will then be sought.

Martin Gotheridge as Chairman of the Board, Kizzy Brooks for FHP, Andy Batty, as above, for the leaseholders and the surveyor, as necessary, will deal with and meet our lawyers.

FHP and FHP Living

The observant among you may have noted the change in email addresses and corporate style of our Managing Agents. FHP Living is a completely independent company from FHP (albeit owned by the same two individuals) and your Board has not received any formal notification of the changes. We have requested that Luke Pritchett, a Director of FHP Living, and the person to whom Kizzy Brooks now reports, attends our next Board meeting to explain what is going on and what it means for the management of our properties.

This change made us realise that FHP had been our managing agents for seven years. The Board considers that this is a good opportunity to survey the options available to us for block management. Over the next two months we shall be talking informally with other management companies to gain an updated view.

Garden Report July 2021

All residents received notification of tree works this month so a timely moment to focus on trees.

3 Trees were felled and overgrown shrubs/ivy on the Lenton Road boundary wall reduced.

Tree 1 - a deceased self-set Sycamore on the Lenton Road boundary West Wing RSH.

Tree 2 - a deceased Lilac - West Wing RSH boundary facing Valley House.

Tree 3 a Sycamore situated behind the Lilac abutting the high stone wall facing Valley House. Advice was taken from an arborist, our own Health & Safety Representative and Nottingham City Council.

Tree 1 was borderline on a safety level for the arborist to safely remove - we were only just in time.

Tree 3 has been consistently flagged over the years as dangerous, expert advice from 3 sources recommended felling.

Karin met with Nottingham City Council on site to assess the trees and permission was duly given.

a 'time expired' application form was resubmitted

The Park Estate Office was contacted, and they kindly waived their 'Pavement Charges' on this occasion.

Karin assisted access and liaised with the arborist crew on the day of works.

The Board is happy to report that more trees have been planted these past years than removed

The Board are most grateful to Karin and Ivan for the work they do in conjunction with the Gardening contractors to keep our Community Gardens in such wonderful condition, so admired by us all.

Planning and Licencing

We know that our focus has been the application of the Licence for the Castle now that they are opening again

It is important to realise that the Castle already holds a Full licence and that there are 5 Public houses Locally that have this "Full on Licence" therefore it is not a "new" detriment of our peace and quiet.

However, a number of Residents have expressed their objections to the Application and have made representations which were put forward (brilliantly) by Shilpa Shar at the Licencing hearing of 20th June (B) which is available for all to watch on the Nottingham City Councils You Tube Channel. She also speaks to this on the WhatsApp group comms app.

Because of Shilpa's efforts, and because the Environmental Health (EV) and Nottinghamshire Police asked for and agreed with the Trust a number of Conditions, the Licence was Granted with these conditions in place which make any future events more "Resident disturbance aware"

A list of these conditions (7 X A4 pages) is available for your perusal on request to duncan.moffatt@hotmail.co.uk

Edith Pagliacci

It is with sadness that we have to announce the resignation from the Board of Edith Pagliacci, Edith has served since 2018 and had recently been re-elected for another three-year term. She saw the Company through a difficult time serving as Chair of the Board until after the recent AGM, when she did not wish to resubmit her name for consideration in that role. The Board thanks her sincerely for her excellent service during her time in office.

City Point Painting and Renovation Programme

At the Board meeting reports were submitted by the Maintenance Committee regarding the External Painting of City Point, the current progress and method of work was not deemed satisfactory by either the Board or the Representative of FHP.

A meeting was called at which two directors serving on the maintenance committee and our FHP representative Kizzy Brooks would meet with Whittles to express our dissatisfaction, to insist on a scheme of works to be put in place immediately, and to re-iterate that we insist on high standards and timely completion of the tasks – Failure to comply will lead to a termination of the Contract forthwith.

There are further issues raised by a recent survey of the City Point Roof which will need to be addressed at the next Maintenance Committee meeting and passed to the Board for authorisation of obtaining quotes for the work to be undertaken and a costing implication formulated by the Finance Committee.

Further discussion is underway regarding the overdue Painting of the C.P. car park which was reported on in the service charge budget document distributed to all CP leaseholders, this will be recounted further after the September Board Meeting.

Date of next Meeting

The next meeting of the Board will be held on Tuesday 28th September.

BELOW THE LINE – YOUR NEWS AND VIEWS

BOOK CLUB

The most recent meeting was held on the terrace on Wednesday 21st July. It was our first meeting in person for months and much more enjoyable than Zoom meetings, although we have to thank Zoom for keeping us going through the months.

Nine of us were present and we did try to face time Margaret, who is stuck in Turkey. The topic was "Books we enjoyed as children" and we enjoyed much reminiscence and laughter.

Our next book, which will be discussed at the end of August or the very beginning of September, is "Redhead By The Side Of The Road" by Anne Tyler. The book to follow, after another month or so, will be one recommended by Pam. It is "The Offing" by Benjamin Myers.

If you are interested in joining, ask any member or Judith Wrigley, 9 City Point.

We welcome new faces. Please don't fear that we are too high brow. Nothing could be further from the truth!

JUDITH



Ladies on the Terrace. A Poem Submitted by Maureen Moffatt

A face-to-face Book Club meeting
After a year of Zooming
New members and old
Rebuilding social interaction
Restoring a community activity

Our focus is books from our childhood
Bound to be a wealth of memories
Remembering both the highs and the lows
After all – some of us were reading
More than 70 years ago!

Gleeful stories of our main city
Telling magical stories - hiding there for all to see
Tiny pieces of magic, stimulating a wish to
Follow through
With a visit or at least a conversation or two
Making 'Mr Men' and 'Thomas the Tank' engine...
Simply something rhyming for the children

From the literary intellectual
Hemingway got a mention
Used as a study aid for exams
We discovered he had many fans....

Our memories stimulated by each other
From Beatrix Potter to D.H. Lawrence's 'Ladies Chatterley's Lover'
One recalled sitting in class - undercover
The boy behind whispering those forbidden lines
Defiantly a High
Every memory a gold mine

Boys' books, girls' comics, religious education
Stimulated the source of our memories
Snuggled in parents' beds on Sunday mornings
Listening to made up stories
And – of course
Listening to mothers' dire warnings of girls' education
Being the door that opens to liberation

BENCHES

As you may be aware, we are working on a placement of Benches in the C.P. Garden, there will be a Survey carried out during this Autumn and Winter to determine what ALL the Leaseholders would like as seating in that area, or maybe not! Keep a look out for the Survey in due course and have your say.

ROYAL STANDARD HOUSE AND CITY POINT COMMUNITY SUMMER EVENT

SUNDAY 15TH AUGUST FROM 4-00PM UNTIL 7-00PM

CITY POINT LAWN

£10-00 PER PERSON FOR ALL FOOD AND NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE
PLEASE BRING YOUR OWN ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES, GLASSES, AND CHAIRS

We are delighted to celebrate the end of the Lockdown with a summer BBQ, organised by a group of Residents who will buy, prepare and serve a selection of BBQ food and Salads including a number of vegetarian delights

Participants will be invited to bring their own seats, glasses, and alcoholic beverages, the £10-00 per person will cover the food and non-alcoholic drink costs, it should be noted that as a family event, children under 12YO will be completely free.

We, your hosts, expect that we will enjoy making a small surplus on the day, any monies left after deduction of costs will be donated to a local Charity Nominated by the Rotary Club of Sherwood Sunrisers, who so successfully organised the Wine Tasting evening last winter.

Names of those interested to
Marcia Puckey – 24C.P.
Duncan Moffatt- 2 C.P.

By Saturday 7th AUGUST please with either cash or cheque for the appropriate amount and numbers coming to the event. (Post it through one of our doors with your name on it) You are most welcome to bring Family and Friends who do not reside here, but numbers will be limited, so please run it past us first if you intend to bring more than a couple of extra people.

If you prefer to pay by bank transfer contact

duncan.moffatt@hotmail.co.uk who will furnish you with account details to transfer the monies.

Please come, meet your neighbours, celebrate a day nearer freedom, enjoy the wonderful Garden and the great fun and fellowship of our community.

Sincerely
Marcia and Alan. 24 CP
Duncan and Maureen 2CP



Events at Nottingham Castle

If you need to contact Nottingham Castle during an event, please contact the Duty Manager on 07881467485

07 August 2021: Black Knight Historical Robin Hood weekend

10am - 6pm

History re-enactment

Up to 1200 visitors during the day, averaging 500 guests per hour

Increased noise levels expected? No

This event does not feature firearms or battle re-enactments.

12 August 2021: Nottingham Castle Lates presents Lush Life

6pm - 11pm

Community event

500 attendees

Increased noise levels expected? Yes

Set up will begin at 4pm. From 6pm, there will be a DJ onsite, playing Jazz, Funk and Soul music. There will also be live music throughout the evening. The music level will go through a limiter. Music will be positioned away from residential areas on the bandstand in the grounds.

The sound will be monitored throughout the night by the Castle's maintenance team to ensure adherence to licensing requirements. Alcohol will be served onsite with last orders being called at 10.30pm. It is expected that all visitors will vacate the site by 11.30pm.

14 - 15 August 2021: Black Knight Historical War of the Roses event

10am - 6pm

History re-enactment

Up to 1200 visitors during the day, averaging 500 guests per hour

Increased noise levels expected? Yes

This event includes firearm and weaponry demonstrations. Loud noises to be expected on the hour throughout the weekend, between the hours of 10am - 6pm.

21 - 22 August 2021: Black Knight Historical Civil War event

10am - 6pm

History re-enactment

Up to 1200 visitors during the day, averaging 500 guests per hour

Increased noise levels expected? Yes

This event includes firearm and weaponry demonstrations. Loud noises to be expected on the hour throughout the weekend, between the hours of 10am - 6pm.

28 - 30 August 2021

Wolfshead Bowmen

10am - 6pm

History re-enactment

Up to 1200 visitors during the day, averaging 500 guests per hour

Increased noise levels expected? Yes

This event does not feature firearms, only archery muster re-enactments.

03 September 2021: The Pantaloons present Pride and Prejudice

7pm - 9.30pm

Outdoor theatre

300 attendees

Increased noise levels expected? No

The actors will not be using any amplification for this performance. There may be some audible applause.

04 September 2021: Outdoor Cinema, The Princess Bride

6pm - 9.30pm

Outdoor cinema

300 attendees

Increased noise levels expected? Yes

The film will be projected outdoors on the Middle Bailey. Some noise to be expected.

25-26 September 2021: Black Knight Historical Home Front WWII weekend

10am - 6pm

History re-enactment

Up to 1200 visitors during the day, averaging 500 guests per hour

Increased noise levels expected? Yes

This event includes firearm and weaponry demonstrations. Loud noises to be expected on the hour throughout the weekend, between the hours of 11am - 6pm.

25 September 2021: Welbeck College Commemorative Dinner

6pm - 11.30pm

Private dinner for Welbeck College

600 attendees

Increased noise levels expected? Yes

Set up will begin on the 23rd with a Marquee being erected on the Middle Bailey. From 6pm on the 25th, there will be music, speeches, dinner, and some dancing. There will be live music throughout the evening which we understand to be acoustic. Music will be positioned away from residential areas on the bandstand in the grounds. The sound will be monitored throughout the night by the Castle's maintenance team to ensure adherence to licensing requirements. Alcohol will be served onsite with last orders being called at 10.30pm. It is expected that all visitors will vacate the site by 11.30pm.

23 September 2021: Nottingham Castle Lates Hip Hop evening

6pm - 11pm

Community event

200 attendees

Increased noise levels expected? Yes

Set up will begin at 5pm. From 6pm, there will be music, art, poetry, food, and drink. There will also be live music throughout the evening. The sound level will be monitored through a limiter. Music will be positioned away from residential areas on the bandstand in the grounds. The sound will be monitored throughout the night by the Castle's maintenance team to ensure adherence to licensing requirements. Alcohol will be served onsite with last orders being called at 10.30pm. It is expected that all visitors will vacate the site by 11.30pm.

29 - 31 October 2021: Black Knight Historical Witches and Wizards event

10am - 6pm

Halloween event

Numbers tbc

Increased noise levels expected? No

This event does not feature firearms or battle re-enactments.

1-31 December 2021: Christmas at the Castle

5pm - 9pm

Christmas event

Numbers tbc

Increased noise levels expected? Yes

Please note that this event is currently in early planning stages. At present, we expect that from 6pm each day, there will be piped Christmas music. The music level will go through a limiter. Music will be positioned away from residential areas, probably on the bandstand in the grounds. The sound will be monitored throughout the night by the Castle's maintenance team to ensure adherence to licensing requirements. Alcohol will be served onsite via a pop-up shop. It is expected that all visitors will vacate the site by 9pm. The event will not run from the 24-26 December as the Castle will be closed.