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SOUTHDEAN ESTATE MATTERS

Official Newsletter of Southdean Estate Ltd

Welcome

A belated Happy New Year to all our residents. We hope that all is well with you and your families. Although it now seems like a long time ago, it was wonderful to see so many residents at our Christmas event at the Elmer. It was an excellent start to the Christmas celebrations with good food and great company. Thanks to Colin and his team for making it such a success.

You will see that we have a new format for the newsletter which allows us to show our estate and its immediate environment as well as sharing the recent news. We are grateful to Steve McKie for contributing almost all the photographs for this edition but hope that in the future some residents will share their favourite photographs of their surroundings including gardens. If you are interested please send images directly to Steve at southdeansec@gmail.com



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National Flood Forum Report

STEVE MCKIE

Following the emergency flood meeting, held by Southdean Residents Association in November 2023, contact was made with the National Flood forum for advice and guidance. Despite its title the National Flood Forum is a charity organisation that is based in the Midlands, and currently has no representatives in the southeast. Meaning it cannot act directly on our behalf, but will offer support to local action groups.

Its website nationalfloodforum.org.uk provides helpline numbers along with explanations of the responsibilities of different agencies. It also provides links to products and services in its "Blue Pages" section.

The National Flood Forum recommended the establishment of a local Flood Action Group which is led by the community with support from National Flood Forum to ensure their success and sustainability. It supports the group to map out their own flood plan and to identify the key issues locally. It also supports them to work in partnership with the agencies and authorities that manage flood risk.

**Anyone Interested in overseeing
neighbourhood watch in
Southdean Drive
contact**

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Whilst the water companies, the Environment Agency and councils have their own flood responsibilities, individuals are responsible for protecting their own property, including reducing the risks of water ingress and damage. It is therefore important that residents are aware of their flood risk and take preventative action. If any residents are interested in forming a Flood Action Group please email to the secretary at southdeansec@gmail.com and we will put you in touch.

**Residents
interested in
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Future Events

AGM

The next AGM of the Southdean Estate Ltd will take place on 24 March from 11.00 to 13.00 at the Jubilee Hall. We hope to see as many of you as possible there. It is an important time to hear about Estate business and to raise any issues of concern.

SUMMER PARTY

This will take place at the Scout Hut on 6 July, 2024. More details will be available soon but for the moment we hope you will all save the date. This was a great event last year and also raised money for charity.



PRESENTATION TO L'ARCHE, BOGNOR.

Andrew Lubienski, Committee treasurer (pictured above far right) and committee member, Sarah Dakin, had a memorable morning at L'Arche, delivering a cheque for £465. This money was raised by the Southdean Estate through the Summer and Winter parties. Thank you to everyone for their generosity towards this invaluable local endeavour.

L'Arche supports individuals with learning disabilities either in their own accommodation or in a shared home. They offer activities which aim to nurture and celebrate talents whilst promoting independence and communication skills.

AGM

24.03.24

11.00-13.00

Jubilee Hall

Summer Party

6.07.24

18.00-21.00

Scout Hut

