BEAULIEU NEWS

SPRING 2020

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BEAULIEU AN EDUCATED CHOICE

With so many great educational facilities now open on site, Beaulieu is considered an aspirational place to live.

APPRENTICESHIPS AT BEAULIEU

Beaulieu has a beautiful natural landscape that establishes the development's identity and is the perfect backdrop for learning.

RETIREMENT LIVING IS COMING TO BEAULIEU

Whether you are starting out in your first apartment, growing your family or downsizing and preparing for your retirement - Beaulieu is a place for life.

DATES FOR THE DIARY

Upcoming events.





WELCOME

Welcome to the fourth annual edition of Beaulieu News. Over the last 12 months Beaulieu has continued to grow as a community and is now well regarded as a vibrant and aspirational place to live within Chelmsford.

In September, Beaulieu Park Secondary School welcomed its first cohort of year seven students who are enjoying state of the art facilities, which are also shared with the community out of school hours. The Beaulieu Community Centre continues to go from strength to strength with many more activities and events for residents to enjoy and take part in.

A MESSAGE FROM BEAULIEU COMMUNITY TRUST (BCT)

Hello from all the staff here at the Beaulieu Community Centre!

We've had a really busy year here and are still running an extensive range of classes. From babies to adults, there really is something for everyone.

We invite you to visit our brand new website for more information on classes, as well as room hire information and special events. www.beaulieucommunitycentre.org

We'd also love you to follow us on social media in order to get the latest updates as they happen. We are on Instagram, Twitter and Facebook and those links can all be found on the website or by searching for us on each platform.

We'd love to hear your feedback on the centre and our activities. Please add reviews on Google.

Within the last few months, we welcomed a new Centre Manager to our team. Ruth Gibson comes from a



non-profit background and has experience of running a range of services within the community. We will also soon be appointing a temporary member of staff to help us while our lovely bookings administrator Emma goes on maternity leave.

You will have the opportunity to meet with staff and our trustees at our Annual General Meeting to be held on Tuesday 10th March at 7:30pm in the Channels room upstairs in the Community Centre. Please do feel welcome to come along.

We are currently working on our calendar of events for the year and look forward to updating you via our website and social media once we have the details in place.

We hope to see you at the centre soon! All the best from Ruth, Meg, Emma and Rob.

BEAULIEU'S SPONSORSHIP HELPS THE CHELMSFORD SCHOOL SPORT PARTNERSHIP TO EXPAND

Beaulieu has been supporting the work of the Chelmsford School Sport Partnership for the last five years.

The Chelmsford School Sport Partnership was launched in September 2003 and continues to work with all 60 primary and secondary schools within the Chelmsford area, including the newly opened Beaulieu Park School. The organisation is committed to improving the sporting opportunities for young people and meeting the targets for the School Games programme. It offers support to all schools on delivering competitive high-quality PE, leadership opportunities, support for students identified as gifted and talented, coaching, INSET and access to funding.

Teachers and pupils from both The Beaulieu Park Primary and Secondary School are already benefiting from the programme of activities run by the CSSP. Students from the secondary school have taken part in an indoor athletics competition and the Head Teacher and staff of the primary school have attended a gym course run by Sara Robson, the School Games Organiser for the Chelmsford School Sport Partnership. The Early Years children will also be attending the CSSP's Balanceability Festival.

One of the key annual events organised by CSSP is the Superstars Festival held in February. The sports competition is for all Year 4 children in Chelmsford and is held at the Chelmsford Sport and Athletic Centre, with six competitions taking place over three different days. In total, over 40 primary schools and 2,000 Year 4 pupils took part.

The smooth running of the event was ensured as 142 secondary school students from Great Baddow High School, Chelmsford College, Sandon and St John Payne School, volunteered to act as organisers, monitors and judges. In recognition of everyone's participation, the children went home with a Superstars sports bag, provided by Beaulieu (Countryside and L&Q).

Sara Robson, School Games Organiser for the Chelmsford School Sport Partnership, says: "Year on year, it's wonderful to see the Superstars Festival growing from strength to strength. This event is an opportunity for any child to come and compete in an inclusive,

HORTICULTURAL APPRENTICESHIP SCHEME THRIVES AT BEAULIEU

Beaulieu is more than just a place people love to call home. It's also a place where young horticultural apprentices are forging their future careers.

Professional landscaping company, Plant Style is currently delivering an apprenticeship scheme on the development which takes on apprentices for a period of approximately 20-24 months.

The programme, which offers young students from Writtle College the opportunity to train and become educated in horticulture, also employs local staff to deliver the training and development. Jon Christopher (26 years old) is an apprentice on a two-year scheme with Plant Style and attends Writtle College once a week. The rest of his week is spent at Beaulieu working with the Plant Style landscape team who are responsible for the installation and on-going maintenance of the many parks and landscaped open spaces that are being created at Beaulieu. The work is varied and provides the perfect learning opportunity for Jon.

One of the key projects that Jon is currently involved with is the creation of the new Community Gardens. Giving his thoughts on the apprenticeship scheme and the value it has, Jon highlights: "I would definitely recommend this programme to other students. I feel like I'm getting the best of both worlds in terms of gaining a formal education but also learning the practical elements as well. I do eventually want to go into horticulture management and being a part of this scheme feels like a step in the right direction."

Just like Jon, Colin McDowell, the Managing Director of Plant Style also received his education at Writtle College. He says:

"It couldn't have happened in a better place. Beaulieu has a beautiful natural landscape that offers the perfect backdrop for learning. It's a truly unique landscape that establishes the development's identity and makes it a perfect fit for the apprenticeship programme."

Beaulieu's rich history dates back to its setting as the former hunting grounds of King Henry VIII. Design cues are taken from the existing surroundings, including the Grade I listed New Hall School and its formal parkland, nearby farmsteads and Essex countryside.

In total, there are 176 acres of green open space being created at Beaulieu for sport and recreation.





supportive environment. It helps them develop good sporting attitudes as well as key values like friendship, determination, courage and respect, which will benefit them throughout their lives. I would like to extend my sincere gratitude to Beaulieu (Countryside and L&Q) for their continued support and congratulate everyone who participated this year, both the competitors as well as the young leaders who played an integral role in leading and officiating this event."

Beaulieu's sponsorship has been key to helping the Chelmsford School Sport Partnership expand their programme of activity and deliver even more activities and events for the children and teachers they support across all 60 schools in Chelmsford.

CALLING ALL CYCLISTS! PEDAL FOR THE J'S 2020 CHARITY BIKE RIDE IN SUPPORT OF J'S HOSPICE SUNDAY 3RD MAY 2020

Many thanks to the Beaulieu residents who took part last year. For the sixth year running, Beaulieu is sponsoring Pedal for the J's charity bike ride in support of the J's Hospice. Specialist nurses from the J's Hospice provide vital care to young adults (16-40) with life limiting conditions and support for their families in their own homes across Essex. J's Hospice is entirely funded by donations and has now become part of the wider Havens Hospice Group.

We would like to extend an invitation again to Beaulieu residents to join us to form this years' Beaulieu cycling team. 'Pedal for the J's' is a family friendly event that caters for all abilities. There are three different circular routes that take you through the villages and countryside to the west of Chelmsford, starting and finishing in Admirals Park in Chelmsford - 15, 35 and 50 miles.

A dedicated registration page has been set up for the 'Beaulieu Team' with the first 50 registrations FREE. All we would ask is that you either make a donation or help to raise money by sponsorships.

Please visit havenshospices.org.uk/ **beaulieu** to register and for further information. All members of the 'Beaulieu Team' will be provided with a Beaulieu cycling top to keep and wear on the day. If you would like a branded cycling top, please email strategic@cpplc.com by 13th March stating the size you require. Please order a size bigger than you would normally wear. To make it easy for everyone to raise sponsorship we have set up a 'Beaulieu Team' Giving page: virginmoneygiving.com/TeamBeaulieu

We do hope you will be able to join us in supporting your local hospice.







DEVELOPMENT UPDATE



PROGRESS OF THE COMMUNITY GARDENS

Many of you will have seen the work that has been carried out during the course of last year to establish the new Community Gardens at Beaulieu.

Spanning over 11 acres, the new gardens include a woodland area to preserve the setting of New Hall School and to create a corridor in which wildlife can flourish, a community fruit orchard and planting area, formal landscaped areas and an avenue connecting to the Great Park. There is also a large open space for outdoor recreation. A new tool shed and Community Gardens Building with toilets, washing facilities and community/teaching space has been installed with a small area for bike and disabled parking only.

The 16th Century Tudor lime kiln that was discovered during the archaeological investigations in this part of the site, has been preserved below ground. A replica of the lime kiln has been produced by a local artist and will be installed at the Community Gardens together with a seating area and information board.

Beaulieu Estate Management will work alongside residents to manage the Community Gardens, and to host community gardening projects. An area of the Community Gardens has been reserved for development by the residents. Martin, from BEM will be consulting with residents over the next few months to shape the detailed plans for this area.

BEAULIEU RAILWAY STATION

In August 2019, it was announced that the new Beaulieu Railway Station was one of two Chelmsford projects that had been approved for government funding of £218 million via the Housing Infrastructure Fund (HIF).

Significant progress is being made on the delivery of the new Beaulieu Railway Station with all parties working in partnership to develop and test the new station design which includes a central

passing loop and three platforms. Plans are also being progressed for the accompanying integrated walking, cycling and bus strategy which will be supplemented by approximately 1,450 parking spaces. The delivery of the station design and ultimately its construction is being controlled by Network Rail. Final detailed designs are being prepared by Network Rail which will be submitted to Chelmsford City Council for detailed planning approval.

PHASED **OPENING OF THE RELIEF ROAD**

Work is progressing well to construct the new relief road around Beaulieu that will ultimately provide a direct route from Essex Regiment Way through to the A12. The relief road will be opened in phases to provide local access, and then fully by December 2021 when a new bridge and junction onto the A12 will be completed. The first section of the relief road will be open this summer and will provide an additional entrance to/exit from Beaulieu from the north via Channels. A further section of the relief road and second entrance to Beaulieu is anticipated to be open by the autumn.

NEWS FROM BEAULIEU ESTATE MANAGEMENT



WE NEED YOU!

One of the aims of Beaulieu Estate Management for 2020 is to set up a residents' group in order to work closer with you. We are looking for a group of people that share our ambitions to create a friendly and engaging community that is welcoming to all who pass through.

We would like to start building ideas for what the Community Gardens could look like in future as there is an area of land within the gardens, dedicated to ideas generated by the Beaulieu Community. Our aspiration will also be to encourage residents to get involved with the garden whether it be through volunteering or workshops. We hope this will become a place of fun and learning for all age groups as well as an area to unwind in a beautiful setting.

At each residents' meeting we will be encouraging people to get involved. For more information or to register an interest please contact Martin Payne at *martinpayne@* thelandtrust.org.uk.



AMAZING SPACES

2019 has been a great year for the ever increasing green and open spaces around Beaulieu. There are now three stunning parks across the development for children to explore, some amazing trails for residents to walk, run and cycle and some great recreational areas around the newly created Community Gardens.

We are more excited than ever to make use of this fantastic space by holding a number of events throughout the year to encourage an interest in nature and taking care of the gardens.

For updates on future new areas please feel free to sign up to the residents website www.beaulieuresidents.co.uk

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT OFFICER

In May 2019, Martin Payne joined Beaulieu Estate Management as their new Community Engagement Officer. "I'm currently really enjoying being part of the team here at Beaulieu and particularly enjoy getting out and about around the development, chatting with residents I meet along the way. It's exciting to be a part of a project that is ever growing; each time I'm out for an inspection, I'm finding there's new routes to explore. In the next year I'm hoping to run an exciting programme of events that encourage residents to take an interest in nature and their own gardens including getting involved in the



National Big Butterfly Count. I'm looking forward to meeting more of you in the future and welcome any new ideas." If anyone has gueries about the public open space in Beaulieu, Martin can usually be found in the Beaulieu Community Centre during the week or alternatively email martinpayne@ thelandtrust.org.uk to arrange a visit.

RESIDENTS WEB PAGE

From time to time, we would like to provide you with news and information on the progress being made at Beaulieu, together with details of forthcoming activities and events organised by Beaulieu Estate

Management.

To help keep you up-to-date, we have created a Beaulieu Residents portal, which can be found at: www.beaulieuresidents.co.uk

Here you can view the latest news and information. To save you having to log onto the website to check for news, you can sign up to receive news posts via email.

HOUSING NEWS



RETIREMENT APARTMENTS ARE COMING TO BEAULIEU

Anchor Hanover, England's largest not-for-profit provider of housing and care for people in later life, has been granted planning permission to build 82 retirements apartments with a mix of private and shared ownership tenures, for people over the age of 55 in Beaulieu. There will be a range of apartment types with many having their own balcony and car parking spaces on site.

Facilities will include communal areas, a bistro and a hair and beauty salon for residents, which will be open to members of the public at specified times. Residents will have the peace of mind that they can enjoy all the facilities and benefits the location will have to offer and that bespoke care and support For more information contact packages will be available should their needs change in the future.

SHARED OWNERSHIP **OPPORTUNITIES** AT BEAULIEU

Available through L&Q's Shared Ownership scheme, a selection of one and two bedroom apartments will be launching this summer 2020. Designed as a stepping-stone to outright ownership if you can't afford to buy a home on the open market, with Shared Ownership you part-own and part-rent your home. The minimum share you can purchase is 25% and the maximum is 75%. To find out more, visit: Ighomes.com/beaulieu

Launching early 2021, L&Q are set to launch The Arbour, a collection of 300 new homes, with 255 available through



Shared Ownership. The homes will be a natural extension of the existing community in Beaulieu, offering a high specification as standard. The Arbour will meet L&Q's 'New Build Homes: Quality Standard' promise. Unlike many developments, there are no added or hidden costs for the inclusion of carpets,

Construction of the retirement apartments is due to commence in late Summer 2020 and a sales and marketing suite will open in 2021, with the first apartments being available towards the end of 2022.

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fittings and essential appliances, ensuring homes are fully equipped for buyers as soon as they move in. Once a buyer purchases an L&Q home, L&Q will continue to manage the home and neighbourhood, supporting its residents every step of the way. To find out more, visit: Ighomes.com/beaulieuarbour

FURTHER PHASE OF HOMES AT BEAULIEU KEEP

The second and final phase of Beaulieu Keep is now under construction, with 122 new homes and five brand-new design types available to purchase. The first houses in this new phase will be ready for occupation from Spring 2020.

Beaulieu Keep's new house types span a range of 3, 4 and 5- bedroom homes. Some of these fall within the 'Signature Collection', all of which are substantial detached 4 and 5-bedroom houses overlooking The Chase Park. One of the highlights of the 'Signature Collection' is the five-bedroom Elevato, which is built over three storeys and hosts unique features such as a living room on the first floor that offers uninterrupted views over the park, thanks to expansive feature glazing.

Alongside the launch of Beaulieu Keep's second phase, the development has also launched a new range of 1 and 2-bedroom apartments at Beaulieu Oaks. This broadens the range of options available even further, with the first apartments being ready for occupation in May 2020.



BEAULIEU ESTATE MANAGEMENT Dates For the Diary...

BEAULIEU EASTER EGG TRAIL SATURDAY 11TH APRIL Midday until 2pm

Join us in The Chase Park for an Easter inspired trail, taking you through the gardens and earn a prize at the end. Also enjoy some themed craft activities that you can take home with you.

BEAULIEU COMMUNITY PICNIC SATURDAY 12TH JULY Midday until 4pm

Once again will be putting on a number of activities in The Chase Park encouraging all residents to get to know each other. Including interactive workshops, storytelling and a few stalls from local business who have been serving the local Community.

COMMUNITY GARDENS OPENING EVENT SEPTEMBER TBC

The Community Gardens will officially be opening in September and we invite all residents to celebrate with us with some nature themed activities and a guest speaker. A new sculpture will take pride of place in the gardens, representing the 16th Century Tudor lime kiln found during the archaeological investigations. Keep an eye on the residents' website nearer the time for more information. www.beaulieuresidents.co.uk

CHRISTMAS AT BEAULIEU SUNDAY 8TH DECEMBER 1pm until 5.30pm

We are lucky to be hosting Santa Claus at the Beaulieu Community Centre again this year. There will be a number of activities to take part in as well as some Christmassy stalls. For more information on booking time with Santa, keep an eye on the resident's website near October. www.beaulieuresidents.co.uk



