



Welcome to Moor Park (1958) Ltd UPDATE Issue 43–30th October 2024

# **Estate Managers Report ...**

#### **Fireworks and Pets**

Many animals find fireworks scary. Owners will often see their pets struggling, either frozen with fear or, in the most dangerous circumstances - bolting, rearing up or charging fences. **Before the fireworks season begins, please refer to the RSPCA site for guidance on how to calm your pet during fireworks nights.** 

https://www.rspca.org.uk/adviceandwelfare/pets/general/fireworks

## **Bonfires**

The Company receives many complaints about bonfires. We would encourage you to only light a bonfire, if necessary, in the autumn months.

If you must have a bonfire (and we hope you won't), please follow the guidelines below:

- Do not burn hazardous waste, including building materials that could potentially be harmful to the environment or human health.
- Try not to choose a damp day when smoke hangs in the air for long periods, or very windy days when smoke may be carried over roads, neighbouring properties, lines of washing or when windows may be open.
- Burn only dry wood to minimise the quantity of smoke produced.
- Bonfires should be attended at all times and should never be left to burn overnight.
- Please avoid burning on warm days or evenings, to enable your neighbours the quiet enjoyment of their gardens.
- Be careful, especially in winter, as there may be animals hiding or hibernating everything from smooth newts to hedgehogs!

If a neighbour is causing a nuisance by burning hazardous waste, legal action can be taken against the person responsible under the Environmental Protection Act 1990.

To be a nuisance, a bonfire must substantially interfere with a person's well-being, comfort, or enjoyment of their property. For instance, when smoke is drifting across or into someone's property if they cannot open their windows or hang out their washing. Complaints about smoke nuisance should be made to the Environmental Services Department of Three Rivers District Council: <u>01923 776611</u>

### Bins

Residents are reminded to promptly take their bins off the verges after they have been emptied. Pathways should be left clear for pedestrians. From a safety point of view, bins left out all day indicate no one is at home, leaving the house vulnerable to opportunistic thieves.

### **Parking**

One of the features of the Estate is that there is very little on-road parking. Most of the Estate roads are private, and traffic regulations apply in Moor Park, as elsewhere. There is no right, even for residents, to park on Estate roads and the general restriction, which applies across the Estate, is that on-road parking is limited to occasional visitors.

#### Leaves

Residents are asked to be vigilant in keeping gutters and drain covers fronting their properties clear and to ensure that their gardeners do not blow leaves and other garden rubbish off their property onto the roads and gullies. There have been occasions when flash floods have caused flooding problems because gullies and drain grills have not been kept free of debris.

# Christmas Fair... SAVE THE DATE



The Moor Park 1958 office will be open during the fair and all residents are very welcome to meet the directors and share mulled wine and mince pies. We look forward to seeing you on 8<sup>th</sup> December.

# Road safety and visibility...

Visibility while walking at night on Moor Park Roads is an important safety consideration. The Moor Park Residents Association has flashing armbands available to purchase at £3 each if anyone is interested. They come with replaceable batteries. Do not hesitate to get in touch with moorparkres@gmail.com/moorparkresidents.co.uk or they are available to purchase at the MP58 office.

## Moor Park Litter Pick ...

Inspired by our two local heroes, Don and Judy, the Moor Park Residents' Association organised their second community litter pick. A huge thank you to residents and members of the MP58 board who supported the event and collected a gargantuan amount of rubbish littering our roads and verges. Everyone enjoyed the community spirit and refreshments afterwards. A big thank you also to Nirujan and his team

from the Post Office and Supermarket who helped ensure the event ran smoothly. Thank you to Batchworth County Council for the financial grant which allowed the purchase of litter pick equipment.



MTS Events ...

Merchant Taylors School has the ATW Halloween events at MTS, which are open to everyone. <a href="https://www.atwevents.co.uk/e/atw-family-halloween-trail-10174">https://www.atwevents.co.uk/e/atw-family-halloween-trail-10174</a>

Spectacular! Northern Lights seen from Moor Park – thanks to residents for sharing.



