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Moor Park Christmas Fair ...

REFUSING TO BE BEATEN BY STORM DARRAGH

The Christmas lights on the trees in Main Avenue were twinkling and the road was closed ahead of the Christmas Fair planned for Moor Park on Sunday. However at 2 pm on Saturday, with storm Darragh still gusting strongly and no let-up in sight, things were not looking good. The Moor Park Residents Association (MPRA) team met outside the shops to consider the options. It was clear, for health and safety reasons, the fair could not proceed outside as planned and the indoor alternatives they had explored had met with little success.

At that point, Jamal, son of the owners of Shemul, arrived to open the restaurant and invited the team in for a cup of tea and to dry out. Within minutes Jamal had offered to open the restaurant on Sunday for two hours to enable a scaled-down fair to take place. The MPRA team agreed that they could run an event with up to four stalls and prioritised the stalls being organised by the Moor Park Residents with an emphasis on those raising funds for the Mount Vernon Cancer Charity.

At midday on Sunday, the Cake & Bake, Knit & Natter, Plants and Macaron teams had all turned up to transform the restaurant into an indoor Christmas Fair. By 2pm they were all ready for business alongside the complimentary mulled wine and mince pie stall at the entrance which was provided by MP58 to greet and welcome residents who had braved the wind and rain to support the event.

The fair was officially opened by Andrea Fraser (BCC Chair) who welcomed residents into the warmth and expressed her delight that the event had been rescued and promised to be a great success. The word about the revised plans for the fair had clearly spread across the estate with an amazing response and during 2 hours nearly 250 residents, friends and family members streamed through the fair.

Everyone seemed delighted with the opportunity to buy some wonderful homemade food, craft items and plants to support raising funds for the Mount Vernon Cancer Charity. There was a real sense of seasonal and community spirit during the afternoon which was enhanced when two of our attendees took over the sound system to entertain everyone with a range of festive songs.

Overall the event, together with donations from some residents unable to make the fair, raised the phenomenal sum of £2000 for the Mount Vernon Cancer Charity. The MPRA team would like to thank Shemul restaurant for their support at such short notice, everyone who made the event possible, and those who donated so generously.

Important Information on Storms: Insurance, Safety, and Prevention...

What is Typically Insured?

Most property insurance policies cover damage caused by storms, such as:

- Structural damage to buildings (e.g. roofs, windows, walls).
- Damage caused by falling trees or debris.
- Water damage due to rain entering through storm-damaged areas.

Contents insurance usually covers your belongings if damaged by the storm.

If you are a landlord, landlord insurance may cover damage to the building and loss of rent if the property becomes uninhabitable.

What is Typically Not Insured?

While many damages are covered, some exclusions may apply:

- Damage caused by general wear and tear or lack of maintenance (e.g. loose roof tiles).
- Flooding from rising water levels unless flood cover is included in your policy.
- Damages resulting from failure to secure the property appropriately before the storm.

How to Minimise Storm Damage

Here are some steps to protect your property:

1. Secure loose items in your garden, such as furniture, bins, and ornaments.
2. Clear gutters and drains to prevent water buildup and potential flooding.
3. Inspect your roof and repair loose tiles or slates.
4. Trim trees and branches near your property to reduce the risk of them falling.
5. Ensure doors and windows are securely closed and locked.

Stay Safe During the Storm

Your safety is the top priority. Please keep in mind the following tips:

- Avoid going outside unless necessary, especially near trees, power lines, or floodwaters.
- Stay updated with local weather warnings and emergency alerts.
- Ensure you have a torch, a fully charged mobile phone, and essential supplies in case of a power cut.

- For tenants, advise them to report any issues promptly to ensure repairs can be addressed quickly.

What to Do If Damage Occurs

If your property suffers damage, follow these steps:

1. Take photographs of the damage as evidence for your claim.
2. Email your insurer immediately to start your claims process and discuss the next steps.
3. Arrange temporary repairs to prevent further damage (e.g. tarping a damaged roof).
Keep receipts for any expenses, as these may be reimbursable.

Merry Christmas from Moor Park 58 ...

Glad tidings and joy are wonderful Christmas wishes sent from our house to yours! We wish you a Merry Christmas and to leave all your cares behind you on this glorious holiday!

And a very happy and healthy 2025.

MOOR PARK CHRISTMAS FAIR 2024 – BRINGING THE COMMUNITY TOGETHER & RAISING FUNDS FOR MOUNT VERNON CHARITY



Knit & Natter Stall



Plants & Armbands Stall



Cake & Bake Stall



Macaroon Stall



Residents enjoying and supporting the Fair



Musical Accompaniment