

Whitebridge News 2016



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For several year's we have not had our traditional Christmas Tree at the entrance to the Estate. This year we have decided to re-instate the tradition and it is proving very popular with visitors and tenants.

Thanks as out to our maintenance staff and Craig of EDI for its striking.

Thanks go out to our maintenance staff and Craig of EPI for its striking appearance.

As in 2015 we have decided not to send out Christmas cards but to continue supporting the Stone Branch at the Royal British Legion instead.

A very merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all of our Tenants and their Staff.

NEW ARRIVALS.....NEW ARRIVALS.....NEW ARRIVALS.....NEW

AQUA INDUSTRIAL COATINGS LTD

A very warm welcome to Aqua who have moved into Unit 16E. Specialising in Commercial paint.

Welcome to GOURMAND PASTRIES UK LTD

Gourmand who operate from Unit 7D, supply ready to bake pastries to the trade.

TRANZMIT LTD

Fylde Micro Support. Originally occupied Unit 26A re-located to Flat I, to accommodate the arrival of Stafford Venture, Day centre for adults with learning difficulties. Thank you to Tom for his cooperation in this move.

OCD MIDLANDS LTD

Moved into Unit 4B a Diamond drilling business. Welcome to Craig & Gemma.

LATEST RECOMMENDED POSTING DATES FOR CHRISTMAS 2016 UK INLAND SERVICES

SATURDAY 19 DECEMBER—2nd Class

MONDAY 21 DECEMBER—1st Class

WEDNESDAY 23 DECEMBER—Royal Mail Special Delivery Guaranteed



STAFFORDSHIRE VENTURE LTD

Welcome to Staffordshire Venture Ltd a day care centre for adults with learning difficulties, who are operating in the former Staffordshire Day Centre at Unit 24/26

STAFFS ELECTRICAL LTD moved into I IA—Pat testing and domestic electrics. Welcome to Mark.

Brad Pearmain Indoor Golf

Unit F

A gym, weight training facilities and an indoor golf simulator. See page 14 for their introduction.



Expansion and on the move

We welcomed Pure CF (Cottage Furniture) with their expansion into Unit C. We wish them continued success.

Thermograde have expanded into 16B

Totally Delicious are on the move to 15C moving to larger premises

SIS Body Repairs have moved to Unit 1C

And finally

Since our last Newsletter in 2015 there have been a few departures.

We would like to wish the following business's continued success after their re location from Whitebridge; WJW Engineers, New English Products, Scientic Silicon, Current Electric, Arcadia, The Shave Doctor and finally Sock & Trotter

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Spicy Tomato & Lentil Soup

Ingredients

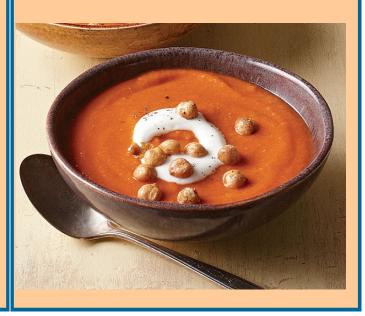
2 Tbs. coconut oil or canola oil
1 medium yellow onion, chopped
2 Tbs. finely chopped fresh ginger
1 Tbs. chopped garlic
1 Tbs. ground coriander
2 tsp. ground cumin

1/2 small serrano chile, coarsely chopped
1 28-oz. can whole peeled tomatoes with juice, chopped
2 cups lower-salt chicken or vegetable broth
1/3 cup red lentils, rinsed
Kosher salt and freshly ground black pepper
1/2 cup plain yogurt
1/4 cup roasted chickpeas, for garnish (optional)

Method

Heat the oil in a 4-quart saucepan over medium-high heat. Add the onion and cook, stirring occasionally, until it begins to brown, about 5 minutes. Add the ginger, garlic, coriander, cumin, and chile, and cook, stirring occasionally, until fragrant, about 45 seconds. Add the tomatoes and their juice, the broth, and lentils. Bring to a boil, reduce the heat to low, cover, and

cook, stirring occasionally, until the lentils are tender, 30 to 35 minutes. Purée with an immersion blender or in batches in a regular blender until smooth. Thin with a little water if you like. Serve with a dollop of yogurt, and garnish with the roasted chickpeas, if using.





THE STONE BRANCH OF THE ROYAL BRIT-ISH LEGION WOULD LIKE TO THANK EVE-RYONEWHO CONTRIBUTED TOWARDS THE MAGNIFICENT TOTAL RAISED IN THIS YEARS POPPY APPEAL.

THE FINAL AMOUNT SHOULD EXCEED £36,000 WHICH IS £4,500 UP ON LAST YEAR



Belated congratulations to Jim & Debbie Bufton

Maisie Bufton born 16th January 2016

Birth weight 6lbs 8 oz
What a cutie!!

Eadie Mae Underhill Born 1 November 2016





Weighing 6 lbs 15 oz

Arthur is now 4 and a very proud big brother!

December Facts!

The I2th month of the year brings us Christmas, Chanukah and New Years Eve. December is the last month in the Gregorian calendar, December was the tenth month until the addition of January and February at the beginning of the year. In the Northern Hemisphere December has the shortest daylight hours and marks the beginning of winter. December provides the longest days in Southern Hemisphere, as it is the beginning of summer. December is a month home to many religious holidays.

- * The zodiac signs for December are Sagittarius (November 22— December 21) and Capricorn (December 22—January 19)
- * The birth flower of December is the narcissus
- World AIDS day is celebrated on December 1st
- December 3—International Day of the Disabled Person
- Universal Human Rights month
- * National read a new book month
- December is when the Nobel prizes are awarded
- * December 4 1791—The Observer Newspaper was first published in Britain
- Christmas Day December 25
- * December 7 1941, The United States Naval Base at Pearl Harbor was attacked by Japanese planes more than 2,300 Americans were killed
- * December 20 1803 the Louisiana Purchase was completed
- Kwanzaa is celebrated December 26—January I every year
- * National Stress Free Family Holiday month
- December 27 is National Chocolate Day
- December 29 1862 the bowling bowl was invented
- Poinsettia Day is December 12
- * December 3 1967 the first heart transplant was completed
- * December 17 1903 the Wright Brothers made their first flight



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	December Birthstone Topaz (Turquoise)		
	Meaning is Happiness, Love and Luck Guardian Angel—Anael (or Hanael) The custom of wearing birthstones probably first became popular i Poland in the fifteenth and sixteenth century.		

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Professional tuition in maths & **English**



Our qualified teachers create individual tutoring programmes, using methods proven to accelerate learning.

☑ Maths

ST15 8LQ.

- **☑** Reading
- ☑ English ☑ Spelling

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Unit 1.1, Whitebridge Estate, Whitebridge Lane, Stone,

EDUCATION CENTRES kipmcgrath.co.uk

Stone 01785 819 401

> **Nature Ornaments**

Create your own festive decoration by filling glass ornaments with sprigs of holly, bayberry, mistletoe and evergreens.



Staffordshire Venture Ltd



Staffordshire Venture is a small service offering a wide variety of activities and day opportunities for adults with learning disabilities.

We provide a friendly and relaxed environment for people to learn new skills, gain confidence, independence and, most importantly, make new friends





Some of the activities we offer include numeracy, literacy, citizenship, Zumba, multisport and cookery. For further information please contact Rob or Mel on 07790 864474.

We would like to thank Whitebridge Estate for your support and warm welcome and also Pure CF for your generous donation of chairs.

Staffordshire Venture Ltd staffordshireventure@gmail.com

Tel: 07790864474

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WHITEBRIDGE WINES



Once upon a time, a long, long time ago, Whitebridge Wines was set up, well in 1983 to be exact, and, as you can tell from the name, we have always been on the estate. From small

beginnings, we now supply wine all over the country and have built a range of over 1000 wines, most of which come from small growers all around the world. We also now supply Fairtrade Communion Wine to churches as far apart as the North of Scotland and Germany.

We also stock a large range of specialist gins and vodkas, vintage armagnacs (dating back to 1900), cognacs, whiskies (including some from more unusual places, Sweden, for example), ports (vintage and non-vintage), champagnes and sparkling wines. We also act as the 'factory shop' for Riedel Glass, the world's greatest glass manufacturer, and sell their glasses and decanters (usually perfect) at half price or less. We have a huge range for you to look at.

Although Christmas is our mad time when the warehouse is heaving with customers — morning, noon and night - we keep pretty busy throughout the year as around 70% of our business is supplying pubs, hotels, restaurants and wedding venues across the Midlands. Over the summer months we do a large number of weddings, balls and other parties. Many of these are sale-or-return and one weekend last July we had as many as 7,500 glasses out on loan — a lot of washing up!





Meaford Fields Day Nursery



PRICES

Full Day from £30.50
School Day £27.00
Tailor made, Morning &
Afternoon Sessions Available

FREE places available for clieble 22% 3 year olds. Plus 3 bours exxa FREE to all clieble childs

opening times 7am - 6pm Rated 'Good' By Ofsted
Teaching Status Staff

Flexible Sessions To Meet Your Requirements
Regular Titles Working In Partnership With





Please Call Sam For Further Information On 01785 814 788

Meaford Fields Day Nursery | Unit 18 Whitebidge Estate | Stone | Staffordshire | ST15 8LQ

T. 01785 814 788 E. samsaltmeaford@hotmail.com www.meafordfields.co.uk

Ofsted Number: EY536339

Meaford Fields Day nursery is under new ownership. Sam Salt has been the manager at the nursery for the Last two years and has exciting new plans for the future of the nursery.

"We aim to continue the high quality, safe and nurturing environment for all children and are offering tailor made sessions to suit all families as we know that working lives can vary from family to family."

Meaford Fields are also offering a discount for staff of all businesses on Whitebridge industrial and housing estates so pop in for a visit to meet our friendly, we offer an open door policy so no appointment is needed.



THE HEALTH & SAFETY COLUMN

The UK statistics for Health and Safety 2015/16 were published in November and made for quite interesting reading:

1.3 million working people suffering from work related illness.

2515 mesothelioma deaths due to past asbestos exposure.

144 workers killed at work.

621,000 injuries occurred at work.

30.4 million working days lost to work related illness or injury.

£14.1 billion estimated cost of injuries and ill health from current working conditions.

The good news though is that we are safe and fitter than most other European countries. Especially those of a similar sized economy.

A sobering thought for employers is that the HSE successfully prosecuted 660 cases in the period resulting in fines totaling £38.3 million.

With the fee for intervention starting as soon as HSE receive a call, breeches of Heath & Safety Laws can be very costly to a company.

Make sure your New Years Resolution is to review your Health & Safety.

Have a safe and Happy Christmas.

Phil Darby



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CHRISTMAS TRIVIA COMPETITION 2016 FIRST CORRECT ENTRY HANDED IN AT RECEPTION WINS A BOTTLE OF WINE

- What kind of Christmas is Bing Crosby dreaming of
- * Answer
- What reindeer's name begins with a V
- * Answer
- * All I want for Christmas is my
- * Answer
- Tradition says you should do what under the mistletoe
- * Answer
- * How do you say Merry Christmas is Spanish
- * Answer
- How many candles should go on an Advent wreath
- * Answer
- How many reindeer pull Santa's sleigh
- * Answer
- * Can you name all Santa's reindeer
- * Answer
- * A very popular drink at Christmas (yellow in colour)
- * Answer





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SCAMS

It has been brought to our attention by one of our larger tenants that telephone and email scams are on the increase. Whilst you are probably very aware of potential cyber scams you may not be so aware of people purporting to represent charities or emergency services and trying to sell you advertising space in books or diaries by telephone. The latest one

involves either Drug Awareness in schools or bullying. These companies state that they are going to print several thousands of these books (with your advert in) and send up to 30 to you for your own use. They probably only print a hundred or so in total and

these books never reach the schools etc.

Staffordshire Police will regularly inform you of these and other Scams if you subcribe to STAFFORDSHIRE SMART ALERT, more details can be found on their web page and alerts can be received by computer, phone or fax. At this time of the year these Scams are on the increase so please be on your guard.









AN OLD WIVES TALES THAT IS ACTUALLY TRUE

Hair of the dog

Did you overdo it last night and drink more champagne than you should have? Feeling a bit crook as a result? Ye ol' wives would tell you to get straight back on that horse and have another drink to alleviate the symptoms of a hangover.

Do they speak the truth? Science says yes. Research has shown that consuming small doses of alcohol can actually relieve alcohol withdrawal symptoms. But a word of caution – easing the effects can increase dependency on alcohol creating a vicious cycle. So best way to avoid a pounding hangover? Drink a big glass of water before going to bed. Or even better ... just don't drink alcohol to excess!

Festive GIN cocktails





Arbikie by the Fire (served warm)

50ml AK's gin
100ml water
4 cloves
1 cinnamon stick
Lemon peel
Orange peel
1cm piece of ginger sliced
5ml lemon juice
1 tbsp. honey

with the spices, ginger, orange and lemon peel. Bring to a simmer to infuse. Discard the hot water from your glass and add 50ml of AK's gin. Strain your infusion of spiced water into your glass. Stir in your honey and lemon juice to balance and enjoy!

Put water in a pan along

AK's Greyhound

50ml AK's gin 10ml lemon juice 10ml agave syrup 75ml grapefruit juice Dash orange bitters (optional) 50ml soda

Salt the rim of a highball glass and fill it with cubed ice. Add gin, bitters, lemon, agave and grapefruit and then top up with soda. Stir through to mix and garnish with rosemary.





Play your best golf ever Pain free!!

Do you suffer with lower back pain? Suffer with that dodgy shoulder that you've had for years but you think its ok and will just go away eventually! Chronic pain in your knees? Make all sorts of noises when getting out of your living room chair? Could go on and on. You may have had all these common problems already all whilst trying to swing a golf club at ridiculous speeds in a very athletic powerful rotation in a split second.

This my friends is one gigantic recipe for complete disaster.

What you do need to understand is that if your body is not in the physical condition to perform such highly complex moves you will only be asking for injury upon injury and a complete waste on energy wasted on pointless

If you struggle to touch your toes, or try sitting on the edge of the chair knee's together hands across your chest and slowly rotate to your right or left I'm betting most of you can barely move more than 30degrees. Now this is one of many from FORMULA golfs screening tests which with this seated rotational test anything under 45 degrees shoulder turn will count as a fail as if this cannot be performed easily past 45 how on earth can you expect to turn your shoulders against your hips in your golf swing?

Your truly not alone if you do struggle as majority of public golfers do. your body is just not primed YET to perform what you want it to do in your golf swing pain free which is just as important, as we all want to be playing great golf well into our last few remaining years. To many people when they hit there 30's and beyond settle for nothing but maintenance and if anything, expect to progressively allow there body to deteriorate and not perform optimally. This Brad the owner of FORMULA golf & fitness just will not settle for. He see's older age specially the over 55's who he specialises in rehabilitation, correctional work that incorporates with his golf lessons to get you playing golf you may have never dreamed of.

Together after your initial 15-minute screening session which Brad will cover a 25 point test to see how your body moves in these golf specific tests just like your trunk rotation test he will be able to devise a unique stretching plan that can easily be done at home which will prime your body to gradually eradicate any unwanted natural moves that you may have in your golf swing. The classic problems that you would have heard of will be like the over the top move, which comes from many problems in the body mainly being the inability of the body to separate the torso from the lower half.

You can have all the golf lessons in the world but unless you address your bodies physical limitations you may as well hold a lighter to them pound notes.

Brad has over 15 years' European professional golf experience. A European champion. Holds the highest TPI fitness qualifications which has the likes of Rory McIlroy, Adam Scott and Justin rose training every day on their bodies so you have to ask yourself if they are why aren't you?

Formula indoor golf & fitness is the first of its kind in Staffordshire here you can hire an indoor simulator which uses the latest top the range launch monitor TRACKMAN.

So rather than mindlessly bashing 100 balls without gaining any feedback on distances, strike or direction. Within an hour in the simulator you will know exactly to the yard how far each ball went. How exactly you hit the shot and why you hit the shot you did. You have balls that are currently no I on the tour to hit as many as you like within the hour all in the warmth with a nice cup of complimentary tea or coffee and at the end of you practice session you will be emailed a full practice report so you can see exactly on average where your shots tend to go, and how far each club goes even with knowing your exact club yardages you can save easily half a dozen shots per round and that's huge!.

And did I forget to mention how Brad can add 20 yards plus to your drives?? You would like that who wouldn't so when you get in touch ask.

If you would wish to book in for either a lesson or just to practice, please contact Brad on the number provided at the bottom or to find out more visit the facebook page at Formula indoor golf and fitness here you can get daily updates anyway for future events and offers.

Call 07437419519 to find out a lot more and start the journey to the best and most enjoyable golf of your life!



Would you like to do something with the children during the school holiday? Come Into Play is a great place to visit and spend some family time whilst burning off that excess energy. Our bespoke timber structure offers exploration and challenges of towers to climb, slides to whizz down and rope bridges to cross. There are dedicated 0-5s and a 0-2s areas for younger children with the main structure for older children. Our cafe promotes healthy eating with freshly prepared food on site, from main meals to lighter snack, and a wide selection of hot and cold drinks are also available.

Come Into Play is a great venue for birthday parties where children can have fun, enjoy a fantastic party buffet and parents can relax without having to tidy up the mess!

Our friendly staff love to welcome new visitors as well as our regular customers. We have a loyalty scheme which rewards returning customers with a free entry after 6 visits. To make this easier, Come Into Play has now got an 'App' which can be downloaded from the App store or Google Play.

Come Into Play always has a monthly offer on with December's being a raffle prize of an Adventure card. To be in with a chance of winning, you just need to spend £25 on entry and food in one visit. The draw for this will be on the 23rd December. If you haven't had the chance to visit us yet there's now every reason to with such a good offer on. In the mean time you can find out more at www.comeintoplay.co.uk



Come Into Play, Unit A, Whitebridge Estate, Stone STI5 8LQ 01785 286882







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BUSINESS NEWS......From Janet Darby



REVALUATION

The VOA sets the rateable values of all business properties. This is known as a revaluation. Rateable values are used by local councils to calculate business rates. The new rateable values, released on 30 September 2016, are based on the rental value of properties on I April 2015. These will be used to calculate business rate bills from I April 2017. I have had a brief look at some properties here at Whitebridge and although many have had a small increase I have found a few who have received decreases.

You can find and check your business rates valuation: www.gov.uk/correct-your-business-rates. From April 2017 the small business rate relief threshold has increased to £12,000 rateable value to achieve 100% rates deduction and between 12,001 to £15,000 on a sliding scale.

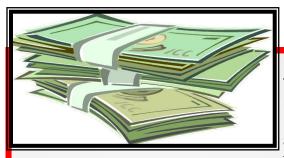
THE NATIONAL LIVING WAGE & NATIONAL MINIMUM WAGE WILL IN-CREASE FROM APRIL 2017

The National Living Wage for those aged 25 and over will increase from £7.20 per hour to £7.50 per hour. That means over £1,400 a year more for a full-time worker previously on the National Minimum Wage

The National Minimum Wage will also increase:

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From (per hour)	To (per hour)	AGE
£6.95	£7.05	21 TO 24
£5.55	£5.60	18 TO 20
£4.00	£4.05	16 TO 17
£3.40	£3.50	UNDER 18 APPRENTICE

BUSINESS NEWS......From Janet Darby



The new Chancellor RT Hon Philip Hammond carried out his first Autumn Statement on Wednesday 23 November 2016 and stated he was going ahead with plans to increase the tax free allowance on earn-

ings to £12,500 over the next four years. Starting at £11500 next April when the national living wage will also rise to £7.50 per hour.

There were also tax changes that will hurt the low and middle earners. In particular the chancellor increased the I.P.T (The Insurance Premium Tax) which will raise from 10% to 12 % in June 2017. This has doubled over the last 3 years. IPT is a tax on insurance.

Just a few more items from his statement:

- Basic Rate of tax theshold increased to £33500
- Committing to cutting corporation tax to 17% by 2020! The main rate of corporation tax has already been cut from 28% in 2010 to 20% this should benefit over 1 million businesses.
- ◆ To raise the higher Rate Tax threshold to £50,000 by 2021-2021
- The point at which you pay the higher rate of income tax will increase from £43000 this year, to £45000 2017-2018

AUTO ENROLMENT

By 2018 all employers must provide a workplace pension scheme. This is called 'automatic enrolment'.

Hopefully by now the majority of business's have started the process of Auto Enrolment. By 2018 this should be in place to meet the government law. Your employer must automatically enrol you into a pension scheme and make contributions to your pension if all of the following apply:

- ⇒ you're classed as a <u>'worker'</u>
- ⇒ you're aged between 22 and State Pension age
- ⇒ you earn at least £10,000 per year

Whitebridge Security Information and update 2016

Welcome to the Security update page for 2016, this news article is to inform the tenants of Whitebridge Estate as to what some of the Duties and Routines of the Estate Security Officers are and do.

We have three dedicated Security Officers that work rotating 12hr night shifts, covering 7 days a week and 12hr day shifts over the weekends, I myself have worked for the Estate for some 15 years and over these years have covered most incidents, as well as my two colleagues.

We as Security Officers are very fortunate on this Estate, as we are surrounded by a Railway line and a Canal that restricts vehicular access to just one road to the Estate, which is covered by two of our eleven cameras. (Which are continuously monitoring and recording all vehicles coming on and leaving the Estate)

A further nine roving cameras are situated around the Estate, when I say roving this means that the cameras will record and automatically pan and rotate at pre-set areas. Security Officers can also

monitor more that one camera at any one time when set in multi screen mode. When something comes to our attention we can override the camera and manually operate and record for our purpose. All recordings come under the Data Protection Act (1998).

At the commencement of our duties we check our key press to account for all keys that have been issued and returned. The Three Red lights on the Sub Station are turned on, so that monitoring of the Power Supply to the Estate can commence during silent hours. Some Companies on the Estate have gas ovens that run all night and have a safety protocol which shuts down the gas in the event of a power cut or power dip, we then have to call out the owners to reset these ovens.

All the mail is collected from the Main Office and usually delivered on the first initial security check of the evening. All units are checked for any insecurities, and any found are the subject of a report that is submitted to the Main Office, so Phil Darby can take appropriate action the next day. If we are unable to secure the unit the key holder will be called out to secure it, which is why it is important to keep the Key Holder/Call Out lists up to date.

There are Security gates and secure compounds on and around the Estate that have to be locked and checked on a regular basis through out the night during our patrols. Any problems or damage is reported to the Main Office.

If you have any Security Problems or need advice concerning any Security issues please contact the Estate Office on **01785 817170** or **Security Mobile 07974788484** we will be pleased to help.

May I take this opportunity to wish you all Merry Christ-

mas and a Happy New Year

Bill McKinnon
Security

Security incidents dealt with by our Security Team during 2016

34	Insecurities
3	Power Failures
2	Faulty Lights
2	Illegal Travellers Reports
6	Reports of Theft
10	Alarm Activations
3	Fly tipping
9	Illegally Parked Vehicles in- cluding HGV trailers
2	R.T.C
3	Reports of damage
2	Water Leaks
2	Number Plate thefts (Bilking)
12	Miscellaneous

Christmas and New Year Office, Security & Maintenance Arrangements

Emergency Procedure & Contact Numbers for Whitebridge Estates

In the event of a major incident such as fire, explosion or flood you may need to evacuate your premises and notify your immediate neighbours to do the same. In normal business hours please contact the Estate office and at all other times please contact Security.

Below is a list of contacts who may also need to be notified.

EMERGENCY SERVICES 999

POLICE (non emergency)
101

TRANSCO (Gas) 0800 111 999

SEVERN TRENT (Water) 0800 783 4444

CENTRAL NETWORKS (Electricity) 0800 328 1111

ESTATE ELECTRICIAN
(Craig from Electrical Power Installations)
07876 406365

ESTATE PLUMBER (Please contact the Estate Office or Security)

WHITEBRIDGE SECURITY 07974 788484

WHITEBRIDGE OFFICE 01785 817170



The Whitebridge Estate Office will be closed from 17:00 hours on Friday 23 December 2016, reopening on Tuesday 3 January 2017 at 8.30 am.

The maintenance / fork lift truck service will also be suspended during this period. Our Security Officers will be on duty throughout the Christmas and New Year holiday.





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THE BACK PAGE from Charles

Another year draws to a close, my 35th year here at Whitebridge!! What a busy year we have had, not just locally or nationally but globally too.

Who would have foreseen at the start of the year that the UK would have voted at the referendum to withdraw from the European Union or that we would have another female prime minister or indeed that Donald Trump would be elected as the 45th President of the USA, not me!! Strange times ahead, however opportunities are plentiful.

I'm pleased to report that movements here at Whitebridge have been rather quiet. We welcomed six new tenants, were pleased to see five existing tenants expand and assisted with one tenant in a change of ownership. Sadly we also had five departures. Early in the New Year we have further comings and goings in the pipeline, never a dull day at Whitebridge!!

My thanks again go to the editors of our newsletter, a great deal of thought and time go into producing our rather unique newsletter which I hope you have enjoyed reading.

Finally may I take this opportunity on behalf of my Mother and myself to wish you and yours a very Merry Christmas and a very prosperous 2017.

