



Manorism

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It's Springtime!



Annual Service Charge

The annual maintenance fee has been kept at its present level since 1995 but the estate is maturing fast and requires more and more maintenance. At the last AGM it was proposed and agreed that the annual charge rises for the year 2022-2023 to £120 or £95 for prompt payment.

The directors believe that this rise will keep the accounts in a good place for many years.

All the directors are unpaid so all this money goes to the upkeep of the estate and it has only been kept at the level for so long by the prudent spending of the committee.

The Supplementary Service Charge for transfer of property will remain at £100.

| Annual Service Charge from April 2022 | |
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| £120 | Provisional Annual Service Charge due in advance on 1 April; invoices are despatched in advance at the end of March. |
| - £25 | £25 Prompt payment discount may be deducted only if payment |

is received by noon on 15 April at the latest!

+ £15

Late payment fee automatically due for payments received after noon on **15 April**. The Company reserves the right to involve again the Small Claims Court where deemed necessary, though each case will be considered on its merits.



Anybody who drives onto the estate using Stable Lane can't fail to see the potholes at the junction with School Lane. Despite these being reported to the council they say they have inspected the area and no action is required at this stage. You can report potholes, failed lighting, fly tipping etc at [FixMyStreet.com](https://www.fixmystreet.com)

Openreach works on the estate

Openreach started work in the village last April to bring us Ultrafast Full Fibre broadband, where pure fibre optic cables connect homes and businesses straight to the exchange providing a much faster and more reliable resilient service.

Work is now complete, and it looks like all properties on the estate can get connected to this Ultrafast Full Fibre. You can check availability at [Openreach](https://www.openreach.co.uk) and then select your chosen provider.



Green bins

Green garden waste bins cost £50 per year and they are collected every 2 weeks with the recycling. If you haven't already got one, do please consider getting one from [Buckinghamshire Council](#).



Tree work

Fineland Forestry recently trimmed the conifers on the estate and they now look a lot neater. The cost of this work is covered as part of the annual service charge.

Ukraine appeal

Maria Michael Nolan, who lives in Long Grove, has been co-ordinating an appeal for food and clothing for Ukraine. The donations are going directly to a border town in Poland, so we know that they are getting to the people who need them most.

Maria posts the most needed items on the Community What's App group weekly. It changes regularly as needs change with the ongoing situation. Items should be dropped at her house **17 Long Grove**, or if you have a boot full and have the time, she would really appreciate it being taken directly to the hub:

Maidenhead URC, West Street, Maidenhead, Berkshire SL6 1RL.

If you would like to contact her, her phone number is **07967 138177**

Did you know?

55 years ago, when the shopping precinct was still a Cherry orchard, Seer Green had 6 shops. The Post Office and General Store in Church Road (now a private house), Mrs Hayer's Little Shop near the Chapel (demolished), a small General Store in Howard Road (now a private house), a Grocer in Chalfont Road opposite Hearn's Meadow (now offices) and The Paper Shop in Chalfont Road (later became the Post Office, now a private house).



Post Office

A reminder that there is a pop up Post Office at the Baptist Church every Tuesday from 10am to 1pm.

Courteous parking

Parking is always a contentious issue in any community.

If you feel that a vehicle is parked dangerously then try to speak to the owner of the vehicle in person or maybe leave a note on the car.

The other option is to report it to the Police on the 101 number, or via the neighbourhood Policing Team

chalfontsnhpt@thamesvalley.pnn.police.uk

The parish council have asked Bucks CC to paint white lines on the corner of Stable Lane and School Lane to show people where not to park - hopefully these will be painted soon.

The Highway Code Rule 243 says DO NOT stop or park

- near a school entrance
- anywhere you would prevent access for Emergency Services
- opposite or within 10 metres (32 feet) of a junction, except in an authorised parking space
- where the kerb has been lowered to help wheelchair users and powered mobility vehicles
- in front of an entrance to a property
- on a bend

The Farmers Way car park is for Manor Farm residents and their visitors only. New signage has been erected in the car park to clarify this.

Please let the directors know if anyone is using the car park who isn't entitled to. mfco@seergreen.org.uk

New Parish Councillor

Tony Brewis, Manor Farm's very own Company Secretary, was recently voted on as a new member of Seer Green Parish Council.

Tony was born in Kent but moved to Essex at a very young age. He lived in Beaconsfield for 28 years before moving to Seer Green in 2014.

He joined the RAF in 1964 and left in 1973 to start a new career in IT and ran an IT consultancy for 20 years before retiring in 2017.

Front gardens

Just a reminder that our gardens are bound by covenants put in place by the original developers and the Council. Full details of these are available to read on the website www.seergreen.org.uk

The key issue is that all front gardens should be laid to lawn, with or without flower beds, and unenclosed, can you also ensure that there are no bins or washing lines etc. on your front lawn.

It has been noticed that there are a small number of properties who appear to be in breach of this. Please could you rectify this and ensure that pathways are clear of hedging, so that prams & wheelchairs are able to pass along the footpaths without being scratched. Could you also make sure that bins are kept out of sight and are all marked with your house number please.

If you are thinking about undertaking any home improvements, we are here to help. Do please ask us before you start, so that you're sure that what you're doing is going to be within the covenants.

One Can Update

Janet has been collecting for One Can since April 2020 and continues to go to the warehouse with a full car every Friday. Thank you to all Manor Farm Residents for your continued support. There are collection points at 5 Coat Wicks and at the Baptist Church.

One Can supported 709 people weekly over the last month, 63% higher than pre-pandemic. The change to Universal Credit and the rising cost of living, is having a profound effect, so any donations are much appreciated.

The up-to-date most needed items is posted on the Community What's App Group every week, if you are not on that, do give Janet a call on

07740 857451 and she will give you the list. Many thanks again,
community is so important.

If you would like us to include anything in future editions of Manorism,
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