

## **Burntbroom Residents' Association Chair's Report 2021/2022**

On behalf of the residents, I wish to thank all the Committee members for their involvement over the past year, as without their commitment, there would be no Association and the annual cost to maintain the estate would be significantly greater for each household. A special thanks goes to those who have carried out the major tasks involved in maintaining the Association, namely Steven Morrison taking on the active management of our gardener and tree surgeon, Julie Morrison as treasurer, Anne Mullen as Secretary and Cat Barr who facilitates our social media.

### **2021/2022 in Summary**

1. Plourde Garden Services have been appointed for season 2022/2023. The appointment follows a review of the service provision from ASY Gardening Services, who took over the contract in 2020. Plourde Garden Services were appointed following review and consideration of a number of quotes received. The service agreement remains the same with costs on par with the previous provider.
2. A review of trees on the estate was undertaken in 2021, with no major concerns raised at the time. A tree surgeon has been appointed for an initial schedule of work to be undertaken in May 2022, with a further c5 year plan to be agreed. Ad hoc requests for review have been undertaken and will be addressed by the Association appointed tree surgeon as part of this initial scope of activity.
3. All fees for period 2021/2022 were collected. Revised approach to collection of green fees for 2022/2023 has significantly improved 'payment on time' at time of writing – 96% of residents had transacted payments – thank you to all residents who have paid on-time. We will continue to pursue those outstanding.

The major item of expenditure for the Association continues to be the gardener's fees for maintenance of the common green areas of the estate. Plourde Gardening Service have been appointed as our contractor for 2022/2023. The appointment follows a review of the service provision from ASY Gardening Services. Plourde Garden Services were appointed following review and consideration of a number of quotes received. The service agreement remains the same with costs on par with the previous provider. This may require review in light of the current economic situation, however on the basis of the quote we have received, the committee have agreed that fees for period 2022/2023 will be maintained at 2021/2022 level at £90. This will continue to build the financial reserves of the association enabling the long term stability of the Association and allow a continuation of the proactive approach to management of the estate.

Finally, many of our residents are joining in the conversation on social media. Everyone can get involved, either through our facebook group, or for those of you who would like to be more active in keeping our estate beautiful, you are always welcome to join our committee – get in touch with one of our existing committee members, via facebook or our email - detailed on our newsletter.

Trina Norquay, Chairperson, 11.05.2022