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Welcome from The Duke of Fife

What's apparent to me, as we enter Chapelton's fifth year of construction, is that in the last six months the Chapelton community has really come alive. With more than 250 residents now calling Chapelton home and families expanding, there's never been more community spirit in Chapelton. It is a joy to see people of all ages coming together to enjoy the planned community events - and indeed planning their own activities. It is exactly what we intended for the town so it is incredibly rewarding to see them adopting this way of life.

Forthcoming milestones include our first retirement village opening and new housing options including custom build, rental properties and a plethora of house-types to choose from. There are so many reasons that Chapelton is attractive to homebuyers.

By the summer residents will also see the opening of the first allotment area down by Nether Cairnhill. A lot of interest has been shown in these plots and with the start of the warmer weather it should be a hive of activity. In addition, our plans for the year ahead include some exciting announcements - both in terms of housing provision and commercial properties - so stay tuned to the website as we reveal more.

Recent & New Events



Following the success of last year's events, a series of new festivals, celebrations and activities have been added to Chapelton's 2018 event calendar.

Wellbeing Weekend

January saw the local community kick-start the year with a healthy approach by attending the wellbeing weekend, a two-day event which offered yoga classes, baby massage sessions and alternative healthy treats.

Drinks Tasting

Chapelton's first drinks tasting evening was held the following month in the cosy setting of the AJC showhome, welcoming guests to sample a tipple with some of the North East's most popular spirit crafters. More than 30 attendees enjoyed a taste of drinks from Porter's gin, Arbikey vodka and Cock O' the North whisky while finding out more about the art of shaking up cocktails at home.

A summer wine tasting event will be held with Cairn O' Mohr. Visit the Chapelton Facebook page for details and to purchase a ticket.

Easter Weekend

Two new events took place over Easter weekend with the town's first Easter egg hunt and an egg decorating class taking place on Saturday 31 March. All ages enjoyed searching for the chocolate treats, hidden by the Easter Bunny around Hume Square, with helpful clue sheets provided by Teacake. And local resident George Masson kindly arranged local volunteers to run the egg decorating class in the Cabin, giving children the opportunity to decorate their eggs ready for rolling on Easter Sunday.

The Liberty Kitchen Pop-Up

Offering a range of fresh, local, seasonal and organic produce, The Liberty Kitchen arrived at Hume Square on Sunday 22 April.

A refurbished horse trailer, decorated by local artist Juniper Press, the addition was welcomed by those who enjoyed hot and cold drinks, savoury meals and delicious yet healthy sweet treats in the surrounding



green space of the Square. The Liberty Kitchen is set to return this summer - keep an eye on the Chapelton Facebook page for more details.

Walking with Wildlife

Set to take place on Sunday 20 May as part of the Aberdeen Wellbeing Festival, a Walking with Wildlife event will offer children and adults the chance to discover the amazing wildlife that hides amongst Chapelton's surrounding countryside.

Join Aberdeen City Council Countryside Ranger, Helen Young, for a mini beast scavenger hunt (under 12s) from 11am or a wildlife wander (adults) from 1pm. To book your spot or find out more information, visit the Chapelton Facebook page.

If you are interested in attending the upcoming events, email: CCIC_Admin@chapeltonlife.co.uk

Chapelton 10k Run

Residents have got together to organise a 10k run, utilising the Chapelton Trail and going past Elsick House. Entries are currently full however a waiting list is available.

There will also be children's races in the country park, organised by Newtonhill Primary School, with registrations open on the day.

For more information, visit www.entrycentral.com/chapelton10k

With the warmer weather coming in, why not enjoy a cycle between Chapelton and Aberdeen's city centre? Cycling groups often take the route linking the two locations - an ideal thing to do on a sunny day.

Now is the perfect time to get your garden Spring-ready. Head along to nearby to Kirktown Garden Centre to purchase a selection of bulbs, flowers and tools.

Property Update



With more than 120 homes now occupied, Chapelton's landscape is quickly evolving. Prospective buyers can choose from a series of new additions to the town from local housebuilders AJC Homes, Liberty Chapelton (now Brio) Stephen and ZeroC.

Custom Build

A new way to purchase a new home has been introduced by ZeroC and designyourhome.com, part of the Places for People group of companies.

This new offering allows purchasers to buy a plot, make a large number of choices about living spaces and room layouts, as well as fixtures and fittings - before leaving the building work to the experts.

Called custom build, this is a form of development that lies between self-build and buying a new house from a developer, providing the ability to select the house that best suits a customer's needs and budget whilst taking away any issues that can arise in the completion of a self-build.

Properties are available from £275,000 and more information can be found at designyourhome.com.

Liberty Chapelton

Liberty is changing its name to Brio Retirement Living.

Liberty will now be known as Brio Retirement Living. The development has changed its name to differentiate itself from a company with a similar name to avoid confusion. Other than a new name, the team, plans and ambitions for Brio's Chapelton village remain exactly the same. Brio, which means vigour and vivacity reflects the company's dedication to an alternative lifestyle for retirement living with high-quality homes, alongside vibrant, thriving and safe communities.

Finishing touches are being made to our first homes in Chapelton. The new retirement living village in Chapelton is really taking shape now with the finishing touches being made to the first two show homes. Both of Brio Retirement Living's show cottages, the beautiful one-bedroom Campbell cottage and the charming two-bedroom Fraser



cottage, will be open to the public from May. The cottages are two of the 22 types of homes which are available to purchase off plan now.

Single-Storey Cottages

Following popular demand, Perth-based housebuilder Stephen has reintroduced a range of two and three bedroom single-storey cottages to Chapelton's landscape.

The Ardwall, Lismore and Inchcape single-storey house-types have proved to be extremely popular leading to another 20 homes becoming available and the addition of a cottage view-home.

These properties have also been shortlisted in the prestigious Homes for Scotland Development of the Year Awards, with results announced at the end of May.



To experience the single-storey cottages for yourself, visit the new view-home which is open Thursday to Monday, 11am - 5pm. Find out more at: <https://stephen.co.uk/developments/chapelton-development/>

Liddell Place

AJC Homes has introduced eight new properties at its Liddell Place development. Facing out onto Liddell Park in the heart of Cairnhill, the two bedroom Findon and three bedroom Stirling homes range from £222,000 to £282,000.

The new Stirling view-home is available by appointment for those interested in these properties. To find out more visit: <https://ajcscotland.com/developments/liddell-place>

Meet the Resident

Mark Trimmings, Stephen single-storey cottage resident



What made you consider Chapelton when buying a new home?

We were looking at properties in Aberdeen and we felt that they were nice, but just old and requiring a lot of work. We decided that it would actually be cheaper to buy a new build.

That's when my wife came across an advert for Stephen in Chapelton and we decided we'd come down and have a look.

What did you think of Chapelton after that first visit?

We liked the area very much. There's countryside all around. There's the view of the sea, which we can see from our kitchen window. It's a beautiful location and it's a great place to be. It has great access to Aberdeen and the A90 of course.

What made the properties in Chapelton stand out for you when choosing your new build property?

We love the properties here in Chapelton. It is just so quirky. You'll find that if you walk around you don't get a whole street made up of just the same house type. There are so many different styles and it all just comes together beautifully.

Do you get involved in the community events at Chapelton?

I'd love to get more involved with the community. I'd like to see us being more involved in the Chapelton way of life. It would be great to get involved with things like the Christmas decorations. I know there have been walking events in the past; I'd love to get more involved with that.

What makes Chapelton special for you?

If you're seeking a place of quietness and to get away from it then this is going to be the place for you. I don't intend to move anywhere else. For me, I feel like I've come home.

Having your say

You can find the latest news and share your views on Chapelton via our Facebook page and website:
www.chapeltonnewtown.co.uk

 www.facebook.com/chapeltonofelsick

In the meantime if you have questions you would like us to answer, please get in touch at info@chapeltonnewtown.co.uk.

We will respond directly and print some of the answers in upcoming issues. People and their views are at the heart of the community.

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