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Welcome

from the Duke of Fife

Welcome to the 25th issue of ChapeltonNews. I hope this finds you safe and well.

This year has undoubtedly been one of the most challenging and unprecedented. In the time since our last edition of the newsletter, which was issued at the turn of the year, we have entered a global pandemic and been forced to change the way that we live, work and socialise. Perhaps we can take some comfort from the fact that the experience has shown that urban design such as Chapelton's can play a part in making life more normal because of its generous walking routes and open spaces.

In Chapelton we have done everything necessary and possible to keep the community and its visitors safe during this time. From halting construction work and restricting showhome access, to adapting fundraising events and learning new ways to come together, it's been a tough challenge but we're very proud of everyone's response.

In this issue of the newsletter you will hear about some of the activities that took place during lockdown and really showcase Chapelton's great community spirit. We also hear from a couple who got creative during lockdown and have turned their Chapelton home into a work of art.

We are delighted to see construction activity return to Chapelton, the main impetus being the private affordable units that ZeroC is building to the north. AJC is continuing to fill out their site to the south and next month should see Snowdrop Developments commence to the east.

In the meantime, please do continue to keep safe and if you can't make it along to visit an event or the town's facilities then keep up-to-date on the Chapelton Facebook page

Property and Town Updates



Despite the upturned months of this year, a number of developments have been made in Chapelton including property progress. Read on to learn about some of the exciting home and build news from the town.

Three and four bedroom homes released

Stephen has added a collection of three and four bedroom homes to its existing Chapelton homes. Offering a range of larger properties to families and those keen to upsize, prices start from £326,000. Also for available from the Perthshire housebuilder are a number of two and three bedroom semi-detached cottages priced at £230,750 and £260,500 respectively.

Further information can be found at stephen.co.uk or by contacting 01738 620 721.

Retirement apartment availability

Brio Retirement Living has a handful of apartments available at the increasingly popular Landale Court in Chapelton. The one bedroom Macalpin, priced from £242,000, and the two bedroom Lennox, priced from £280,000, each offer retirement living at its best.

Visit brioretirement.co.uk to preview the modern homes which boast plenty of space, well-equipped rooms and availability of support and care staff if needed.

Retirement living at it's best

Staying safe in Chapelton*

- ◆ Slate and Grain is open daily and available for up to two households with a booking
- ◆ Teacake continues to open for takeaways and tables of up to six people from two households

- ◆ Showhomes are available to view with each housebuilder happy to take appointments
- ◆ The events calendar continues with physical distancing and additional safety precautions in place

* Correct at time of print

Community Stories



Lockdown hasn't stopped Chapelton's events calendar, with virtual celebrations and socially distanced fundraising replacing planned events.

Farmers' Market

The increasingly popular farmers' market returned in July and again on Sunday 20th September. Health and safety precautions were in place to ensure that both visitors and stallholders enjoyed the events which showcase the very best of North East produce. The next farmers' market is set to take place on Sunday 22nd November with full details available on the Chapelton Facebook page.

Chapelton 10K Run

The annual 10K run was reformatted due to COVID-19. The community got creative and decided to recreate the event by organising a 24 hour contactless relay. The event saw 24 locals each run for one hour continuously to cover a combined distance of over 280 kilometres and raised almost £1,500 for Aberdeenshire organisations.

Scarecrow Festival

The much-anticipated scarecrow festival returned for another year, this time with a theme of 'movies and cinema.' From Mary Poppins and Mario to Mrs Doubtfire and James Bond, characters from the big



screen could be seen throughout Chapelton during August. A ballot and selection from this year's judges led to the top choices being MacDumbo, Ghostbusters and Mr Potato Head, with donations to the event raising £1,600 for local causes.

Teacake Gains Accolade

Teacake has been awarded TripAdvisor's Traveller's Choice award following dozens of gleaming reviews. Known for its excellent lunches, afternoon teas and evening bistro, the café is proud to receive the highest honour that TripAdvisor can bestow.

Having your say

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Meet the Residents

Chris and Hannah



Partners Chris and Hannah moved to Chapelton in September 2019 and having lived in the centre of Aberdeen for years were looking for a change of scene yet still wanted plenty of everyday convenience.

How did you first discover Chapelton?

Hannah: We first set our sights on Chapelton three years ago. We were passing on our way back from a weekend away and decided to stop off for a look around. I instantly fell in love with the town and could really picture us living here.

What were your first thoughts about the town and its homes?

Chris: Owning a joinery company, I initially thought we would choose a house that would be a project for us to work on for years to come. I had never considered a new build until we visited Chapelton but homes here are so different from the norm - I noticed the quality of materials straight away. From the layout of each property to details like the sash and case windows, timber cladding and wood burning stoves, the homes have the perfect balance of traditional features and modern advantages.

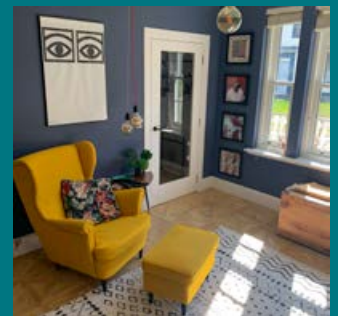
How would you describe the style of your new home?

Chris: A new build really is a blank canvas, so we were keen to start decorating straight away. I would describe our style as a mix of modern, industrial, quirky and pink! We love to be really creative and experimental so throughout the house we used a mixture of fabrics and textures as well as modern and vintage style furniture. We recently painted our woodwork in the kitchen pink, and I rescued some old chairs from a skip to reupholster. The décor is quite eclectic, we love it.

Hannah: We wanted our house to resemble our personality as a couple and I think we have really achieved that. The living room is where we spend most of our time. In winter we enjoyed coming home and relaxing in front of the fire after a hard day's work.

What do you love most about living in Chapelton?

Chris: I feel that living in Chapelton we have the best of both worlds - we find it really convenient being so close to Aberdeen yet far enough away when we want to escape and step into the countryside. Exploring our local area is great and we regularly take long walks and bike rides to the beach or along the Chapelton Trail.



How did you spend time during lockdown?

Hannah: We celebrated our engagement in November last year so time in lockdown gave us plenty of opportunity to make wedding plans. Chris also kept busy decorating the house and making changes to the garden and since we have been continuing to explore the walks which are right on our doorstep.

Chris: Lockdown definitely emphasised the sense of community in Chapelton - everyone really came together to help one another and local businesses.

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- Looking forward to 2021
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