Spring’s finally here, and we’re all looking forward to the arrival of sunnier days. Our garden contractors have been doing an amazing job in recent weeks, and the village lawns are now becoming pleasant community spaces for everyone to enjoy.

With the (slightly!) better weather, tenants have been getting out and about more and also turning their attention to spring cleaning. To prepare for the new season, Beach Haven’s Lancaster Court took part in a village Spring Cleaning Tidy-Up event at the end of last month, with tenants pitching in to clear space for new beginnings and generally get the village ship-shape.

As you go about your own Spring cleaning, if you notice anything that needs attention or if something’s amiss, do contact us on 0800 430 101 and we can sort things out for you. Our 0800 number is the one to use 24/7 for all your maintenance requests and any emergency calls. It’s featured on your new Haumaru Housing fridge magnets that you should have received by now (if not, ask your Community Manager or give us a call).

Enjoy the warmer weather.

Gabby Clezy, Chief Executive Officer

Many hands make light work on Lancaster Court’s spring cleaning day

Lancaster Court residents take a well-deserved break with friends and neighbours and admire the results of their Spring Cleaning Tidy-Up, organised by Community Manager, Mirela Sandu (pictured right with Carol Gnut and Keith Wright).
Otara and Hills Court tenants organise multicultural community event in Otara town centre

A traditional Chinese mid-autumn festival celebration was held on 27 September at the Music Arts Centre in Otara town centre, as part of a programme for South Auckland Chinese Seniors Friendship Club.

The free event was organised and attended by many tenants from Otara and Hills Court and their friends, with help from the Otara-Papatoetoe Local Board and ILS Independent Living Service Charitable Trust.

Over 70 people of all cultures were entertained to an array of superb performance arts, followed by a feast of Asian delights for lunch. At the end of the festivities, everyone helped to tidy up – guests, entertainers and volunteers alike – making this a truly wonderful community event.

Kings Court tenants host ‘What’s new in Devonport’ event on a sunny Spring morning

Motaniki (Martha) Hoani of Kings Court joins Paul Bennett (left) and Joseph Brown of Belmont Court in a singalong during the village’s community update morning.

Tenants of Devonport’s Kings Court hosted a ‘What’s new in Devonport’ information-sharing event with Devonport Community Coordinator, Maria Teape, on 6 October. Enjoying the outdoor village setting on a bright sunny morning, tenants were updated on the latest activities and forthcoming attractions to be held in the community centre and around the locality. The get-together was followed by a shared morning tea, accompanied by easy listening tunes performed on the guitar by tenants, Paul Bennett and Joseph Brown of Belmont Court.

The event is part of an ongoing series of ‘What’s new’ information sessions around the six Haumaru Housing villages in the Devonport area, coordinated by Community Manager, Luminita Apostol.

Pop into your local Selwyn Centre and join in the fun

Have you been to your local Selwyn Centre lately? Supported by Haumaru Housing partner, The Selwyn Foundation, there are 26 of these community drop-in centres across Auckland, which enable older people to meet up each week in a friendly and caring environment with others from their local neighbourhood.

Centres welcome people of all faiths and backgrounds and offer a lively programme of social activities, gentle exercise, morning tea and occasional trips out and about. Based mainly in local Anglican parish halls and hosted by a coordinator and parish volunteers, the Centres offer fun, friendship and good conversation, with transport and a hot lunch also provided at some venues.

For details of your local Selwyn Centre, visit The Selwyn Foundation’s website (www.selwynfoundation.org.nz) and look for the ‘Community’ section. Alternatively, your Community Manager will be able to help.

We always appreciate your feedback. You can do this by talking to your Community Manager on 0800 430 101 or email info@haumaruhousing.co.nz or visit haumaruhousing.co.nz

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