

14 May 2020

COVID-19 COMMUNICATION NO. 11

**As per Cyril Ramaphosa's address last night - South Africa remains at Level 4 for now**

Dear Residents

**Moving House – correction**

Please note that the cut-off date of 7th July as featured in our communication on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> May should be **7<sup>th</sup> June 2020**. The journalist whose article we quoted from admitted that he had made an error with the date.

**Department of Health COVID-19 testing**

A small team of nurses from the Department of Health arrived at Randjes on the afternoon of Monday 11<sup>th</sup> May to tell us that they would be testing all of our Residents and staff for COVID-19. They are tasked to do this in as many retirement estates/nursing homes as possible over the next two months.

Government has made this mandatory as part of their quest to establish the full extent of the virus spread in the country. We are in the process of confirming the validity of this exercise. We will insist that all the individuals who come on site produce a valid ID and credentials proving that they are employed by the Department of Health.

The test is a mouth swab and it is free. The results will be returned to Management within 1 week and we will share the results with the Estate the moment we have them.

The information given to us on Monday is that there will be a number of 3 man teams on the Estate from Monday 18<sup>th</sup> May for as many days as the testing will take. They will visit every home and test all Residents. There is no need for the nurses to enter your home. You can stand behind your security gate (or at your door if you don't have a gate) and allow the nurse to swab the inside of your mouth. You will be required to give your name, age and contact details to one of the people in the team. Just a caution – do not provide anyone with your banking details!

Our goal is to have every team accompanied by a security guard but at this point we don't know how many teams will arrive so we can't guarantee this with the small number of security personnel we have on site.

### IMPORTANT

During a time like this when fear and anxiety are rife and information is changing by the hour, it is critical that we work from one source of information. That source has to be Randjes Management – in the form of the COVID-19 communications we have been sending out. Please disregard any COVID-19 information that is shared by other Residents as this is counter-productive and it undermines our efforts to keep everyone in our Randjes community safe. Residents who come across information they feel is relevant to the community must run this through me or a member of my management team so we can collectively decide if the information serves the greater good.

A huge thumbs up to all of you who made some noise at 6pm on Tuesday and Wednesday! Let's keep it going to show our appreciation for our essential workers. You are also welcome to take a pot/pan and a spoon with you on your daily walk and make some noise at Fleming House and Security.

#### Recycling

Residents will be pleased to know that once the lock down is over we plan to introduce a new recycling scheme, involving the trolley men in our area.

In the meantime these men and their families are close to starving as their business has been shut down for six weeks. Until our scheme is up and running, please consider dropping your recycling stuff when you do early morning shopping on Wednesdays.

They operate in 7th Avenue corner Joseph Street, every Wednesday between 06:00 and 10:00. You will be helping to feed someone's children.



Stay safe.....and stay sane 😊

Warm regards  
Gail

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