

24th June 2014



THE KNIGHT ALLIANCE

IMPORTANT NOTICE TO 'THE GUILFOYLE' RESIDENTS

SUBJECT: FIRE ALARMS – SMOKE FROM APARTMENTS ENTERING COMMON AREA CORRIDOR

Residents are to be informed that smoke of any type escaping from apartments into common area corridors may activate the fire alarm and cause attendance by the Metropolitan Fire Brigade (MFB).

The Residents Manual advises that the apartment door to the corridor should NOT be opened in the event of smoke build-up in your apartment. Possible causes include cooking and social smoking. If the smoke is allowed to escape into the corridor it is likely to activate the building fire alarm and cause attendance by the fire brigade. Smoke should be cleared from apartments via exhaust fans, and opening of balcony doors and exterior windows.

In the event of an actual fire in your apartment then you should of course open your apartment door and if the smoke escapes to the passage this will hasten the response of the MFB.

The brigade's charges for an attendance are currently \$489 for each quarter hour or part thereof that each deployed vehicle is absent from the home station. It is immaterial that the attendance may be due to a false alarm. Please refer to <http://www.mfb.vic.gov.au/Industry/Managing-False-Alarms/False-Alarm-Charging/Current-charges-and-codes.html> for greater details.

THIS COST WILL INVARIABLY BE RECOVERED FROM THE RESIDENT THAT CAUSED THE SMOKE AND ACTIVATION OF THE ALARM.

If a resident fails to reimburse the Owners Corporation for the cost of the fire brigade's attendance then legal proceedings will be initiated to recover the cost as well as associated legal costs.

Please acknowledge receipt and understanding of this notice by signing below and returning it to mailbox of the Facilities Manager.

..... (Signature)

..... (Print name)

Lot # Date / /20

Kind Regards,

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