



17th December 2022

Newsletter 2

Dear LMP Owner-Occupiers,

1. It is very disappointing to inform everyone that Stewart Bumstead (No. 20) has been told to leave and vacate his caravan.
2. This is not the Merry Christmas cheer of IPads, 55" TVs and money off site fees, latest sales offers promised by John and Mary Bendall, and Ben Caplan to new purchasers.
3. At the moment, there are a number of owner-occupiers whose licence agreements have ended who are being bullied, harassed and threatened by John and Mary Bendall, and Ben Caplan, as they have also been given notice to vacate and remove their caravan from the park.
4. Steve and Anita Lea (No. 16) are one of those owner-occupiers and since they have an annual rolling agreement verbally agreed with John Bendall that is legally binding, Steve and Anita are resisting Mary Bendall's recent letter that cancels their legally binding agreement.
5. Steve and Anita had an invalid notice to quit in April which was rescinded in May, yet 6 months later they get a letter from Mary Bendall cancelling their annual rolling agreement without correct notification and without valid reason. This is harassment.
6. Should Mary Bendall pursue eviction through the courts Steve and Anita are ready. They have prepared their defence argument with the help of the Owner-Occupiers' Association and the Association will support them FOC in court as a McKenzie friend.
7. Malvern Hills District Council have failed to take any of the formal complaints of harassment made by Steve and Anita, Stuart and Valerie Picken (No. 54) and a number of others, seriously.
8. The good news though, is that West Mercia Police are listening and have started a criminal investigation of John Bendall's harassment following recent statements by Stuart and Valerie.
9. John and Mary Bendall, and more recently Ben Caplan, have been illegally bullying, harassing and threatening Stuart and Valerie for over two years now and it has to stop!
10. If justice and karma is to be done the Police investigation will bear fruit and all bullying, harassment and threats on the park will stop.
11. Should John Bendall be charged with harassment and section 84 criminal offences under the Postal Services Act 2000 he is liable for up to six months imprisonment and an unlimited fine.
12. If anyone has received a letter of notice from the Bendall's or Ben Caplan, or you know of anyone that has, and you or they need help, please do not hesitate to contact the Occupiers' Association.

13. You do not need to be a member of the Association to get help. What is happening on the park is totally wrong, illegal and the Association will help anyone it can.
14. Unfortunately, selling up and moving on doesn't stop the Bendall's wrongdoing. Reg and Jackie Nicholls (No. 47) were bullied and harassed off the park over a year ago and are now trying to sell their lodge. However, John Bendall has already deliberately sabotaged at least 4 potential sales.
15. John Bendall is doing this to drive down the price of their lodge until Reg and Jackie get so fed up they feel they have no choice but to accept John Bendall's miserly offer. John Bendall can then put a new 20 year licence agreement on the lodge and resell it for £50,000 profit.
16. Ben Caplan calls this '*churn*' and says it is a '*good thing*' as this is how you run a holiday park!
17. However, since Lenchford Meadow has 12 month permanent residence owner-occupiers with correct planning, who are not related or who are employees of the Bendalls, Lenchford Meadow is NOT a *holiday park*, it is a '*mixed park*' and '*relevant protected site*'.
18. The Council has failed to correctly classify the park and has also failed to attach conditions to the site licence, as they are able to, under section 5, Caravan Sites Act 1960 to stop any harassment.
19. Stuart and Valerie Picken, and Steve and Anita Lea are pursuing the Council to explain their incorrect decision on '*mixed park*' status and to introduce conditions to the site licence to stop the illegal bullying, harassment and threats to owner-occupiers.
20. Please be aware that John and Mary Bendall's strategy since 2000 of harassing a few people off the park each year for financial gain is now being accelerated by Ben Caplan.
21. The Association is aware that many owner-occupiers were verbally promised an annual rolling agreement by John Bendall providing their unit and decking were kept in good order. Even though this verbal agreement is legally binding Mary Bendall has cancelled this agreement for Steve and Anita Lea without correct notification and without valid reason.
22. 13 years ago, to make almost £15,000 commission on a sale, John Bendall promised Stuart and Valerie Picken they could use their lodge for 11 months and should pay council tax. Mary Bendall has now cancelled this agreement and issued a fourth invalid breach notice to Stuart and Valerie to leave by 9th January 2023, yet they still have 6 years remaining on their licence agreement.
23. If anyone has concerns about what may happen to them in the future please do not hesitate to contact the Association. Please print off this Newsletter and pass it on to your neighbours.
24. The Association appreciates many owner-occupiers' are still too frightened to join the Association but the Association will still help anyone, whether they are a member of the Association or not.

'*uniti stamus divisi sumus*' **'*united we stand divided we fall*'**

Kind regards,

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