



Care home team launch SUMMER STRIP appeal to help transform outside space for residents at Holmers House in Buckinghamshire

(24th April 2020) Holmers House is a local care home in High Wycombe supporting people living with dementia.

The team at Holmers are hugely passionate about their work and strive to create the best experiences for those that they care for. However, lockdown means the usual weekly trips and outings that residents enjoy are not possible, making their outdoor space in the gardens more important than ever.

The Summer Strip was created by Ambient care manager, Martyn Browne, which will see him and 5 of his male colleagues braving the pain of a - body wax on 18 July 2020! They will be stripped of leg and chest hair to raise funds to kick start their outdoor project.

Martyn, who is living in full time at Holmers House during the Covid-19 crisis says:

"The team here are tirelessly supporting our wonderful residents during this time of crisis and with the lovely weather, we all agreed that our outdoor space could be improved. So, I had the idea of the Summer Strip to kick start the transformation project and could not have been prouder when my colleagues opted to join in! Even in times of crisis, we remain driven by our passion to support the people we care for in the very best way we can.

Our focus is always on keeping our lovely residents entertained, happy and to ensure that they have daily exercise, fresh air and benefit from sensory experiences. An improved outdoor space will definitely help us achieve this during social isolation and beyond.

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Our goal is to have a fully interactive area, where residents can enjoy growing their own flowers, fruits and vegetables and a 'parade' of shops, for reminiscence experiences, including a tearoom, grocery store and sweet shop! The idea is to create a 'community within a community'- an area to enjoy memories of the past and to create some incredibly special new ones."

Donations can be made via their justgiving page
<https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/holmers-house>



Taking part are Martyn (Manager), Winston (Administrator), Nathan (Carer), Wilson (Carer), Joseph (Senior carer), Alex (Carer).

Find out more details here about the service at Holmers House on the Ambient website www.ambient.org.uk

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- They deliver services that meet the needs of some of the most vulnerable adults in our society. Operating in over 140 locations, they provide over 30 thousand hours of care to people on a weekly basis to support a range of needs due to the ageing process, learning disability or mental illness
- Their wide range of quality specialist services are delivered by dedicated, professional, and passionate staff and their success is built on supporting people to live a full and meaningful life.
- Ambient currently employs around 1,400 people across the UK in a number of settings
- Ambient can also help young adults who are transitioning from Children's to Adult Learning Disability Services
- The Charity has an above industry average with 88% Registered Services rated as GOOD by CQC.

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