

# The Van Alen

## Newsletter – November 2019

### Vehicle gates Camelford Street



We are planning to change the way the vehicle gates on Camelford Street operate, on 29 November. After that date, when you are driving out of The Van Alen, between the hours of 6.30am and 6.30 pm, the vehicle gates on Camelford Street will open automatically, like the new gates to the underground car park. You will still need to use a zapper to enter The Van Alen from Camelford Street, at any time. During the hours of 6.30pm to 6.30am you will continue to need to use a zapper to exit The Van Alen

We are making this change to make it easier for contractors and visitors to exit The Van Alen. and to deter people from pressing the pedestrian gate emergency break glass switch, thinking it will open the vehicle gates. We have retained the need for a zapper in the evening and night time hours to make it harder for a car to be stolen from The Van Alen.

### Pedestrian gate Camelford Street

The emergency break glass switch for the pedestrian gate on Camelford Street has been repositioned and on 29 November will be upgraded, to flash and buzz when it is activated. Once the break glass switch is activated the pedestrian gate works as normal, but does not lock. This has enabled at least

one intruder to enter the estate. If you see it flashing please let a Director or GSP know and they will reset it.

### Keys

If you have not done so already, it would be very helpful if you could lodge a set of keys to your flat or mews house, with GSP to enable them to get in an emergency.

### Burglar alarm

There was an incident recently concerning the burglar alarm installed in one of the flats as part of the original construction. The burglar alarm had not been used or maintained for many years, but suddenly and spontaneously went off. Not knowing the code, the flat owner had to wait, siren blaring, until it was disabled. If you still have an alarm and don't plan on ever using it, you should consider getting Brighton CCTV 01273 782323 to decommission it, for a fee, to avoid future problems.

### Underground car park gates pedestrian code

If there is ever a problem entering a block because the automatic doors have jammed closed, then an alternative way in is via the underground car park and using the lift in the basement. To do this you need the code to open the underground car park gates. We suggest you keep this code in your phone. For security reasons we don't want to put the code in this Newsletter but David Brown 07887 983352. or any director will be happy to give it to you. The block doors can always be opened from inside by using the emergency button.

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