



Camphill Farm Community Hermanus

'Quality of life for adults with intellectual disabilities'

Hello, everyone

Yesterday afternoon the Department of Social Development in the Western Cape issued a directive on containment measures, which can be summarised as follows:

1. To apply hygienic and safety measures; and
2. No visitors for 30 days.

We are already taking various precautionary measures in regard to hygiene and safety (including proper sanitization, social distancing etc), but are now going to be including further measures (including temperature testing for staff living offsite, access/entrance gate control, only the very essential trips by staff and residents out of Camphill etc).

Very sadly, but very necessarily, we will now need to deny access to all visitors onto the property for the foreseeable future (staff, volunteers, residents and tenants alike).

However, we would like to give all family members the option to collect their residents and take them home if they would like to do so. As you will hopefully appreciate, this decision would need to be taken as soon as possible and we therefore ask that you make plans to collect your son/daughter/brother/sister by 5pm this coming Monday. We realise that this is very short notice, but in the circumstances, we need to act as swiftly as possible for the sake of all concerned. Please contact the relevant house leader to arrange such collection.

We would also like to assure you that, should you prefer for your resident relative to stay in the Community, we are doing (and will continue to do) everything necessary to look after his/her wellbeing.

I ask for your understanding and patience as we all adjust to this 'new normal' and ride the storm out.

Please direct all questions you may have to me.

Many thanks & regards

Sam

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