

# Calshot

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## Newsletter No.80 - Winter 2021/2022

Owning a beach hut during the past year has once again proved to be a lifeline. Covid is still dominating our lives but at least we can escape to our little piece of paradise, breathe in the fresh air, and feel safe.

Your committee attended a meeting with NFDC at Appletree Court recently and by now all our members should have received an e-mail/letter informing you of the increase in fees and charges for the coming financial year, set by the Council. It is a larger increase than we would have liked but owning a beach hut is seen as a luxury. That of course is debatable.

Steve Cook, NFDC's Coastal Manager, has asked me to pass on a request to you that every beach hut, in accordance with our site licence conditions, must have its number on show. This helps identify a hut if there is a problem.

NFDC have recently re-measured the footprints of our huts, so when you receive your site licence fee invoice, please check your hut has been put in the correct band. If you have any queries, please address them to [Judith.lacey@nfdc.co.uk](mailto:Judith.lacey@nfdc.co.uk)

In the coming months NFDC will inspect the groynes, top revetments and the re-grading of the shingle as this hasn't been done for 2 years and is very much in need of attention. I have been given as assurance that this will happen in 2022.

During the winter months some of the taps along Jack Maynard Road are turned off to prevent the standpipes from freezing. However, a Council employee who lives close to the beach will only turn the water off at the remaining ones if freezing conditions are forecast. Some taps have been turned off for the duration of the winter period.

One last reminder; 2 Calshot beach huts have been broken into recently so please be vigilant and check around your neighbours' huts when visiting the beach over the winter months.

All that remains for me to do is to thank 'Calshot Hutters' for all the help, friendship and support you have given me over the past year. Take care, keep safe and I wish you all a happy and healthy 2022.

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