

# Fongersbode October 2024

Here is the Fongersbode of October 2024 with news, updates, and information from the board of the VvE Fongersstede.

First of all, we kindly ask you to forward this letter to your tenants, as it contains information relevant for all residents of the Fongersplaats.

#### Announcements

- Our bi-annual members' meeting will take place on Wednesday, November 13, at MFC De Stroming. We will start at 7:30 PM. You will receive the agenda around October 23. Your attendance is very important. If we do not reach a quorum, we will not be able to make decisions, which could delay necessary maintenance. Additionally, the association will have incurred unnecessary costs, and we would need to organize another meeting. This would be a waste of money and our valuable time.
  - If you are unable to attend that evening, the board strongly urges you to give a proxy.
- In the first weeks of October, installation company Wiggering will be inspecting the connection of the central heating systems in all apartments at Fongersplaats. Some residents have already received a letter regarding this; others will receive one soon. The board strongly urges you to cooperate with the inspection and ensure that someone is home at the time mentioned in the letter, or to reschedule the appointment with the installation company.

# A Pleasant Living Environment? We Can Achieve It Together!

The board regularly receives complaints from residents regarding nuisances and behaviours of fellow residents, such as improper parking of bicycles and cars, noise disturbances, illegal waste disposal, litter, etc. Our role in these situations is limited; we cannot do much more than other residents of the Fongersplaats. Moreover, prevention is better than cure. Therefore, we ask for your help. Avoid behaviour that you know may bother your neighbours, speak to residents about their behaviour, report illegal waste dumping to the municipality, or pick up litter yourself. The board is, of course, open to suggestions to improve the living environment at Fongersplaats.

### **Prevent Moisture and Mold**

It's autumn, and we are spending more time indoors. This affects the indoor climate in your apartment. To prevent moisture and mold problems, it is essential that your mechanical ventilation remains on continuously. You should also keep the ventilation grilles open. More ventilation tips can be found at <a href="http://www.zosimpelalswat.nl">http://www.zosimpelalswat.nl</a>.

# Message from the Green Group

It's almost hard to remember, but what a beautiful, sunny summer we had! With plenty of rain and impressive thunderstorms. The heat wasn't too bad, unlike other parts of the city. Greenery cools, as we all know by now! Especially trees and shrubs. The grass in many parts of the city was brown and dry, but not in our area! The mowing policy is working better and better, albeit with trial and error,

thanks to a cooperative effort between the municipality and our gardener. We also had a successful blooming season, with flowers lasting from early spring to, well, just recently! This created a more balanced insect population. The birds still need to catch up, but unfortunately, there are fewer birds in the entire city each year. Fortunately, more areas in the city are adopting greener policies, and we hope to reverse this trend together.

Autumn is here, and we are doing winter pruning: trimming the shrubs and trees to prevent overhanging branches while preserving hibernation spots for hedgehogs and small mammals as much as possible. Hedgehogs and field mice seek out leaves, so we leave those undisturbed under the bushes. We need these animals to help control the slug population next year!

This autumn, we will plant more bulbs, which will combine with the previous plantings to create an even bigger bloom across Fongersplaats. The entrance from Vechtstraat will be further greened, and we are working on plans to plant fruit trees along the terrace block in the central area. We will also install a few signs to welcome guests, with explanations to help them feel more like visitors and leave the area cleaner. The Green Group still spends a lot of time picking up litter, especially cigarette filters – which are also plastic! Will you all help? Even just by offering moral support, sharing ideas, or lending a hand with planting? You can sign up at groenefp@gmail.com.

You can help us out on Saturday, October 26, and Sunday, October 27. Starting at 1:30 PM, we will be planting bulbs. We'll meet at the picnic table in the central area. No need to sign up.

# In Closing

The board can be reached via bestuurvvefongersstede@gmail.com. Maintenance requests can be made via Twinq: <a href="https://pandgarant.twinq.nl">https://pandgarant.twinq.nl</a>. In emergencies outside office hours, you can call 050-851 9011. We recommend saving this number in your phone. Requests made only during the members' meeting will not be considered.

The board looks forward to seeing you at the members' meeting on November 13!