

## NOISE IN THE WATERTOWER

We are all proud of the wonderfully diverse community in The Watertower, made of people from different backgrounds, ages, lifestyles, interests and with [different schedules and rhythms](#).

This never becomes more apparent than [when summer approaches](#) and many more of us take our lives outside into the communal spaces and amenities such as the pool, gym, balconies and gardens, or leave our doors and windows open to catch a bit of the cool breeze.

Although it might look it, The Watertower is [not a resort](#) for holiday makers, nor is it a [party venue](#).

It's where a community of around [100 people who live](#), sleep, spend quality times with family and friends – [it's their home](#).

And as in every year, as summer approaches, we want to remind you that [noise is the most common complaint](#) received from residents, and invite you to be considerate of each other and mindful that noise travels far and wide throughout The Watertower:

- **TVs and [sound systems](#) and [Gatherings at your home](#)**
  - Ensure TVs and sound systems are [not placed](#) against adjoining apartment walls
  - Do not use [subwoofers](#) as low base frequencies penetrate walls
  - [Keep volumes](#) at respectable and reasonable levels
  - Be mindful that if your front [door is open noise will travel](#) out from that front door into common areas and into other apartments
  - Please consider closing or at least partially [closing your front door](#) to provide a sound barrier
  - Take responsibility for managing your [visitors](#) and [guests behaviour](#)
- **[Pool](#) area** – please be aware that outdoor activity in and around the pool/atrium area generates [a lot of noise](#), which [reverberates](#) through the entire building and particularly affects residents living in close-by apartments
  - Please keep [noise in the pool](#) and garden down
  - Observe the [DO's & DON'T's](#) placard in the pool area
  - Ensure children, guests and visitors are [supervised](#)
- **[Internal Walkways](#)** - please be mindful of the [megaphone effect](#) noise has in penetrating apartment bedroom windows, particularly during [early mornings or late evening times](#) when many residents are either sleeping or about to retire for the night. [During these times please:](#)
  - Avoid [talking](#) on internal corridors
  - Don't allow [doors to slam](#)
  - Minimise [trundling of suitcases and trolleys](#) (consider carrying when possible)
  - [Ask visitors](#) and [guests to be quiet](#) when they come or leave

If you are disturbed by noise, [it's ok to politely](#) bring this your neighbour's attention; they may not be aware they are impacting you.

Thank you  
Executive Committee  
The Watertower  
October 2015