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SOVEREIGN HARBOUR COLUMBUS POINT WATER FEATURE

The decade-long struggle to regenerate the Sovereign Harbour Water Feature has at last reached a successful conclusion. The anchor-shaped Water Feature, comprising canals, cascades and fountains, is one of the largest of its type in Europe and runs through the private residential area of Columbus Point in Sovereign Harbour South.

Since its official opening in 2003, the Feature has suffered a chequered history, and there have been many periods of disrepair. Following a survey commissioned by Eastbourne Borough Council (EBC), the area's developers, Aria Homes Limited, agreed to fund extensive renovation of the entire Feature. The Feature re-opened at the beginning of 2014. Unfortunately, after just 9 months of operation, two significant leaks were discovered in the water circulation pipes.

In October 2014, Aria Homes agreed to fund further remedial work to replace the old piping, and the Water Feature was finally declared fully operational at the end of June 2015. The completion of this progressive programme of repairs will see the Water Feature develop into an attractive centrepiece in the Columbus Point development of Sovereign Harbour South.

Full responsibility for all aspects of the Water Feature has now transferred to the Columbus Point (Management Company) Limited (CPMCL), the company established specifically to manage the Water Feature. CPMCL is a membership-based Company comprising owners of Columbus Point properties, so owners finally have full control over the management of the Water Feature.

It has been a long, difficult and frustrating challenge to restore this unique amenity to full operation. None of this could have been achieved without the hard work of residents' own action committees, and the stalwart support of former Eastbourne & Willingdon MP, Stephen Lloyd, and his successor, Caroline Ansell MP, along with EBC, Cllr Gordon Jenkins, managing agent, Fell Reynolds, and the full cooperation of Aria Homes Ltd.

CPMCL is committed to maintaining the Water Feature as a relaxing, cost effective and pleasing environment within Sovereign Harbour, for residents and visitors alike.

For further information, go to www.waterfeature.eu or contact directors@cpmcl.co.uk

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