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Advisory on Snakes

This circular is to share with you that Management had met and discussed with the representative from (Wildlife Management & Outreach), National Parks Board (NParks) on the issue of snakes. NParks has shared the following advice:

NParks Advice	Actions Taken by Management
1. Increased grass/ground cover cutting frequency to keep plants short, discouraging snake's abilities to hide amongst it.	Grass cutting is being carried out twice weekly, and plants are closely monitored.
2. Educating those taking dogs on walks to be aware and in control, not letting the dog run off chasing a snake in a bush. Note that, snakes are generally shy and will move away but defend themselves when provoked/attacked.	Owners are advised to inform their family members and helpers to take note of NParks advice.
3. Installation of mesh where drainage hole/grill spacing large enough to allow snakes access if required.	Management will assess the feasibility.
4. Identifying common venomous snakes – especially the black spitting cobra.	Please refer to the email sent by Management to residents on 21 May 2019 containing information and advisory on snakes.
5. Advised to avoid handling snakes (especially, e.g. cobras), and to call the relevant authorities if relocation is required – to maintain eye contact on the snake and cordon off the area from the public to ensure snake is still present upon arrival and public is kept at a safe distance. To update the call centre if the snake has moved away	
6. Shared that snakes are part of our urban wildlife and are not 'pests'.	

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Please note that most of the snakes seen in the estate are non-venomous, see the advisory on snakes dated 21 May 2019 and the enclosed Nparks advisory for more information.

Therefore, please call the **security guardhouse at 6440 2122** if you see a snake in the estate.

Thank you for your attention and co-operation.

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For and on behalf of the MCST Plan No. 1801



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