

# Care home scrubs up with decontamination laundrette service

Hygiene-conscious staff at a top care home will never wear their uniforms or work shoes outside of their workplace thanks to a stringent decontamination laundry service.

Cramond Residence has made a substantial investment into a state-of-the-art uniform cleaning service where each employee receives three sets of work clothes, which get professionally washed after each shift, along with a pair of Sketchers trainers kept and cleaned on the premises.

Staff at the Edinburgh home must arrive in non-work clothes and have a designated locker for every shift, which is sanitised and thoroughly cleansed between shifts. Every staff member's uniform is stored freshly cleaned and ready to be utilised.

After every shift, the dedicated team leave their uniforms within a designated area so be professionally laundered, with name labels stitched into every garment to avoid any confusion.

Alison Newton, Operations Manager at Cramond Residence, said: "We want to do everything we can to minimise

contamination or risk to our residents, visitors and staff.

“While Covid-19 has sharpened the world’s focus to infection control, from day one we’ve put measures in place to reduce the chances of infection entering and spreading.

“Our staff are incredible and diligently stick to what are stringent rules. They all want to do their best to reduce the likelihoods of viruses or bugs of any description entering the home.

Since opening in 2018, specialist Miele appliances have been used to accommodate eco-friendly elements for washing, drying and ironing from water reduction to shorter cycles.

The care home was purpose built and when it was being designed, infection control was a top priority and bosses worked with architects at every stage to include the most up-to-date best practice.

Small group living means that the home is made up of nine distinct “houses” each with their own private lounge, dining and snug areas, rather than large communal areas.

Cramond Residence provides a combination of luxury accommodation and the highest quality of care. It offers care for up to 74 residents following the small-group living concept in nine beautifully appointed houses, with all residents enjoying an exceptional range of amenities and activities, delicious food and bespoke care from our highly-trained team. Each resident enjoys a luxury room with en-suite bathroom facilities. It maintains a minimum ratio of 1:4 of care staff to residents during the day.

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