

Fellow travellers,

Our annual cultural international trip is fast approaching, and as I sit around a sun kissed pool drinking a large “CLARKY”, I feel that an update may be timely.

BUDAPEST is our destination, as regrettably, Llandudno has no airport.

Both outbound and return flights are booked, paid for and seat allocations have been made. May I thank all those who so graciously contributed to an extra cost, so enabling Mr Green to be scheduled on a later flight and thus affording us a quieter journey, and a chance of some sleep. The extra cost ensures a similar facility for the return flight.

In an endeavour to keep costs down, an arrangement has been made with the local DELIVEROO agent for us to use any of the E-Bikes stationed at the airport for our short transfer to our hotel. Hopefully, there will be no pre orders to deliver en-route, as this was one of the stipulations for the generous reduction in the usual hire fee. Fingers crossed.

The IBIS Centrum hotel is fully expectant of our arrival, money has changed hands, so everything is paid for. There has been 2 slight hick-ups however.

- a) After numerous communications between our Mr Long and Anna, the manager of the Ibis, she very abruptly requested a transfer to a less UK popular hotel within the group. The latest manager is Gwendolin, who by all accounts is a “very nice boy” and eager to share a glass of red wine with our resident transvestite.
- b) One of our travellers alludes to having an allergy to feathers. How this manifested itself is open to debate, as too is the request that his pillows be stuffed with luscious soft pubic hair from a scouse virgin! It is felt that this impossible request was the main reason Anna fucked off.

Before the cultural itinerary is reported on, there is some good and financially beneficial news, well, for some of us anyway. Public transport in and around Budapest is FREE to anyone aged 65 or over, regardless of EU status. Yes....FREE and this includes Metro, Tram, Bus and Trolleybus.

Travellers who hold Scottish, Welsh and Bradistanian passports do not qualify for FREE transport.

Any traveller must be able to prove their age with either a valid photo ID or passport showing their date of birth. Admission and discharge documents from psychiatric hospitals, young offenders' institutes and prisons are not acceptable. Sorry.

A rich, varied and fluid itinerary has been prepared, which will hopefully appeal to all the culture vultures and photographers in our party. Likewise, an itinerary has been prepared for the less mobile, the pissheads and lazy bastards!

Although there is a comprehensive **plan**, it is not **planned** to divulge the **plan** just in case the **planned plan** doesn't go according to **plan**. In this scenario, **Plan A** will be replaced with **Plan B**.

There has been no provision for a **Plan C**. In the event of bad weather **Plan B** would have been implemented, thus allowing for an alternative plan in the form of **Plan A**, should the **planned plan** of **Plan B** not come up to **plan**.

In essence the **plan** is not to divulge any of the **plans**, so that you won't need to worry about making any **plans**. I hope this is crystal clear.

One night we are booked to attend a late evening cultural outdoor activity! It is recommended that something a little warm may be worn. A dress or short skirt, although appealing to some discerning cliental, may be a little inappropriate, neither will there be any young children.

I would like to thank all the travellers for updating me with their current Passport and Travel Insurance details.

One traveller had to be reminded that their passport would be out of date at the time of travelling. This slight oversight was merely a minor technicality, given that his current passport was pristine with not a single exit or entry customs stamp during its lifetime. This only served to strengthen this traveller's reputation for invisibility, by being able to spirit undetected through customs and boarder security without detection or observation for numerous years.

When contacted, MI6 refused to acknowledge if our traveller was in fact a spy, given his extraordinary powers.

A new spreadsheet has been prepared with all the current 2026 information.

A similar exercise was carried out regarding Emergency contact details etc and medicinal details. Under GDPR I can't, nor would it be appropriate to, comment on individual personal details.

I was somewhat surprised and deeply concerned, that not one, but two of our travellers appear to be homeless! This situation came to light when they answered NO FIXED ABODE when their current address was requested.

I am at liberty to suggest that collectively, the members of Cheadle & Gatley 41 Club have been responsible for the considerable and crippling burden imposed on the NHS medicines and prescriptions budget. Very impressive!!

Maintaining strict GDPR reporting guidelines, I am somewhat intrigued that 2 prescriptions were in fact issued by two separate rural veterinary clinics!

One of our travellers is on such a high dosage of Sildenafil there is a rota of pharmacies supplying daily deliveries, such are his demands.

There is one traveller that must be in constant excruciating pain given his daily dosage of Baclofen and weekly Xiapex injections. The medical term I believe is Dupuytren's contracture or more commonly known as Tight Fistedness!

Apart from the usual commonly prescribed Statins, the other widely prescribed medications are for haemorrhoids, STD's and alcohol dependency therapy.

Full details of airport meeting location, time and suggested phone apps in preparation for our cultural weekend will be issued in a timely manner following my return to the UK.

May I offer a toast, as a new "CLARKY" has arrived.....

"ABSENT FRIENDS" Cheers

Mr Short (visiting the Tenerife office)