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Welcome to GreenGate Life

After such a great response to our first newspaper, we're delighted to bring you the second edition of GreenGate Life. As we enter one of the most exciting seasons, this issue is brimming with all sorts of inspiration and ideas to make the most of winter and the festivities that come with it.

We've also got some exciting changes happening right here at GreenGate for residents to enjoy. We're always looking at ways to give you that little bit more with new perks being introduced on a regular basis, including new co-working spaces, giving you the option to avoid the commute and with free Wi-Fi, tea and coffee you have everything you need for a relaxed and productive working day!

We hope you enjoy this second issue as much as the first, and that you have a wonderful Christmas and New Year...

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NOV 2019

Manchester Animation Festival

November 10-14
HOME, Tony Wilson Place

Manchester Animation Festival returns for its fifth edition with UK previews and premieres of animated films from across the globe along with masterclasses, talks, workshops and an international competition of short films. There's a dedicated Family Day on Sunday Nov 10 with animated fun and events especially for families including a screening of A Shaun The Sheep Movie: Farmageddon.



Lewis Capaldi

November 23
Manchester Academy

Swearly self-deprecating Scottish singer songwriter Lewis Capaldi is about as normal a bloke as you could possibly imagine, but that hasn't stopped him becoming a global superstar, much to his own surprise. On the back of the huge breakthrough single Someone You Loved, an equally successful debut album and support slots with Ed Sheeran, he's now on the road with his first major headline tour.



Daft Punk performed by a 16-piece orchestra

November 26
02 Ritz Manchester

Daft Punk's signature mix of house with electro, funk, rock and synthpop has taken the French duo from house pioneers to mainstream Grammy-winning heroes (their Pharrell collab went 3x and 4x platinum in the UK and US). RE:IMAGINE's orchestral rendition of Daft Punk combines a 16-piece orchestra, immersive visuals and an elaborate light show. Music performed by Rogue Symphony.



MANCHESTER EVENTS

DEC 2019

Lightopia Festival

Until December 31
Heaton Park

Prepare to enter the enchanting world of Lightopia, a brand new otherworldly immersive and visually dramatic lantern and light festival. The first of its kind in the UK and Europe, the festival is made up of unique interactive installations, live entertainment and multi-media shows, all with the theme of harmony, including a Manchester Light Bees installation representing the unity of the city.



The Bodyguard

December 10-January 4
Palace Theatre

Fans of the Whitney film can rediscover the Queen of the Night in this fabulous hit-packed stage version. The award-winning musical based on the movie is back and, following her triumphant West End run and series of sell-out UK dates, Alexandra Burke returns in the starring role as pop superstar Rachel Marron who falls in love with the former Secret Service agent hired to protect her.



Elrow Manchester

December 14
Depot Mayfield, Baring Street

Elrow joins forces with The Warehouse Project for its biggest ever indoor festival at the 10,000-capacity renovated railway depot. The show will centre around the Nowmads: New World theme. Expect Bedouins and African tribes, fluorescent foliage and pyramids as the Nowmads take over the cavernous dancefloors and shadowy tunnels of WHP19 for an unrepeatable experience.



MANCHESTER EVENTS

JAN 2020

Judge Jules Live

January 17
The Bread Shed, Grosvenor Street

Innovator, creator, leader ... one DJ has been there, done it and done it all again. In a career that's taken him all around the world, Judge Jules has won a (Bread) shed-load of awards over the past three decades. This live show is full of iconic dance music tracks that have defined his career with a 10-piece live band with Judge Jules at the helm, giving them his own bespoke treatment.



Manchester Beer and Cider Festival

January 22-25
Manchester Central Convention Complex

Love beer and cider – and want to have plenty to choose from? Then this festival has your name all over it. Exhibitors will showcase more than 500 of the very best beers from the UK's burgeoning craft beer brewery scene alongside a massive range of traditional ciders and perries, and an even larger range of draught and bottled beers from innovative and exciting breweries around the world.



Moscow City Ballet presents The Nutcracker

January 25
Palace Theatre

Moscow City Ballet returns with spectacular performances of one of the most popular classical ballets, The Nutcracker, presented in classic Russian style with full orchestra. Brimming with Russia's best dancers, beautiful sets and stunning costumes, Moscow City Ballet is at its outstanding best, receiving rave reviews around the globe for this seasonal favourite fairytale production.



MANCHESTER EVENTS

FEB 2020

Peter Kay's Phoenix Nights 19th Anniversary Charity Screening

February 7
02 Apollo

Come on down to the Phoenix Club one last time to see Brian Potter, Jerry 'the saint' St Clair, Les Alanos, Max & Paddy. It's hard to believe it's almost 19 years since the Phoenix Club first opened its doors, and to celebrate that anniversary both series are being shown on the big screen for the first time, including exclusively recorded cast interviews. All net profits will go to Cancer Research UK.



James Blunt

February 15
Manchester Arena

James Blunt is back on the road after the success of his sixth studio album, Once Upon a Mind, which came out in October last year. After the massive You're Beautiful all the way back in 2004, expect a live set to feature the hits and new tracks from the current album which the man himself describes as a 'back to basics ballads album' and the most honest he's ever made.



Back to the Future The Musical

From February 20
Opera House

The 1985 film version, starring Michael J Fox as teenager Marty McFly and Christopher Lloyd as his inventor friend Dr Emmett Brown, grossed an incredible \$360million worldwide. Now the time-travelling Phenomenon has become a stage musical, in the hands of Emmy and Grammy Award-winning writers, and it's in Manchester for a 12-week season before transferring to the West End.



GREENGATE NEWS

It's never been easier to stay fit for the party season ...

When it's cold outside, and there's so much going on in the run-up to Christmas, gym sessions can be one of the first things to be sacrificed. But our on-site gym means you don't have to plan ahead, you can exercise whenever you can fit it into your schedule without having to leave the building.

There are no monthly fees and since we upgraded the gym it now has 2000sqft extra space plus advanced equipment including Olympic bars and bench press, and improved heavier free weights facilities.

If you still need a little added incentive – and who doesn't love a gift at this time of year? – we have some special offers in November and December to help you stay fit for the party season and keep on top of all those Quality Street and Christmas cocktails!

Personal trainer Nik Mirkhadivi has group and one-to-one PT packages as well as a bespoke training and diet programme.

- **Group personal trainer package 1**, for three people, includes 2 to 3 sessions per week – 15 up to Christmas - a tailored training programme based on every individual need, meal plan for each person, professional body assessment using calliper and bioelectrical impedance. £45 per session.
- **Group personal trainer package 2**, for five people, includes 3 to 4 sessions per week – 20 up to Christmas - a tailored training programme and meal plan for each person and professional body assessment using calliper and bioelectrical impedance. £50 per session.
- **One-to-one personal training** includes a free consultation and advanced meal plan from an advanced nutritionist, tailored training programme to individual needs, 3 training sessions per week – 15 up to Christmas. £45 per session.
- **Training and diet programme** includes 1-hour free consultation and another 1-hour session for workout instruction, tailored training programme to individual needs, meal plan and professional support. The programme lasts 4 weeks. £50 per session.

NOVEMBER – FEBRUARY



Did you know
We take delivery of 29,000 of your parcels a year

Fancy working from home? Now you can do it in comfort ...

Our Residents' Lounge has always been a great place to relax over coffee and have a catch-up with neighbours and friends.

But now it's also somewhere you can work too – so it's an ideal halfway option between home and office ... a co-working space that's right there for your convenience, without you having to step outside GreenGate.

We understand that not everyone wants to use their apartment for work, that's where you go to unwind and get away from the stresses of the job. But sometimes it's nice to have the option to avoid the commute, so we've created a co-working area within our Residents' Lounge which allows you to do just that.

We've added booths with window seating and charging points so you can plug in your laptop and connect to the free Wi-Fi. You'll have easy access to complimentary tea and coffee to keep you refueled, and to our residents' kitchen.



Did you know
The average GreenGate tenancy length is 16 months and more than a quarter of our 496 tenancies are over 24 months



Give your four-legged friend a pamper in the comfort of their own home!

Our residents can book mobile dog grooming, seven days a week, from The Grooming Mat so your dog can get a trim or a completely new style while you get on with your day.

And you don't even have to leave your apartment because their groomer will come to you – all you need to do is find some room for a grooming table and make sure there's access to the bathroom and electricity.

If you'd prefer, they also offer a pick-up and drop-off service, so pooches can have their pampering at the salon instead of GreenGate – just decide which is best for you and your pet.

There's a whole menu of grooming services and spa treatments, such as a blueberry facial scrub to reduce tear staining and moisturising foot balm to keep pads soft. A full two-hour+ groom starts from £35 depending on breed and size, and a one-hour+ dry cut including cutting, nail clipping, ear cleaning and styling starts at £27. They'll even finish things off with a spritz of canine perfume and a minty breath freshener! To book, visit our app.



Did you know
We provide more than 50,000 free cups of tea and coffee in our residents' lounge each year

Keeping your apartment looking pristine is simple with our GreenGate regular cleaning service

You can keep your home looking sparkling and show apartment perfect by bringing in GreenGate's cleaning team. They offer flexible hours and preferential rates for residents so it couldn't be simpler.

You can choose from weekly, fortnightly or monthly visits, whichever you prefer. And if you're not going to be around on your cleaning date, just leave your keys with the concierge on the day and it'll all be taken care of for when you return.

To book, visit our app.

One bedroom weekly clean from £35 / week
Two bedroom weekly clean from £45 / week



Did you know
We pay £100 for every referral to GreenGate



Now the clocks have gone back, it might seem a long time since summer, but we all love a bit of nostalgia don't we?

Our residents' events are always really popular because they give everyone a chance to chat, have a few drinks and get to know one another better.

Usually we like to throw an out-of-hours party after work, but this July we decided to keep our fingers crossed and make the most of the good weather with our first weekend Summer Shindig.

In keeping with the summer garden party theme, we dressed up our communal garden area with marquees and some GreenGate deckchairs and, of course, there was plenty of al fresco food.

More than 300 residents tucked in to our barbecue of sizzling burgers, sausages and veggie burgers, and enjoyed ice cream from a traditional ice cream stand as well as free-flowing beer, wine and soft drinks right through from 2pm to 6pm.

A Resident DJ guaranteed a chilled Saturday afternoon atmosphere and, for added entertainment, we invited a caricature artist along to create two-minute portraits for any brave guests, and curious, enough to have a super-fast sitting!

Because the focus is very much on community at GreenGate, all our residents' events are important to us. That's why we hold them every few months, to help keep everyone connected, so don't forget to look out for an invitation and make sure you come along to the next one.





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MINUTES WITH...

JACK WHITEHALL

"I'll always come back to it,

it's my **first** love".



Jack Whitehall does love a grand entrance. The previous two arena tours, Gets Around and At Large, sold out and made quite an impression (of which, more later), now the blue-eyed boy of comedy is back on the road with Stood Up.

It's his biggest ever tour, although allowing for his film and TV work schedule it's amazing the 31-year-old manages to find the time.

He might not be a regular on Sky's A League of Their Own anymore, but he's recently racked up a role on Amazon Prime's Good Omens with David Tennant and Michael Sheen, guesting as host on Graham Norton's chat show and tracing his family history with dad Michael on Who Do You Think You Are?

On the big screen, he's appearing alongside Dwayne The Rock Johnson and Emily Blunt in Jungle Cruise, based on a Disneyland theme park ride, and voicing Uncle Casey in Clifford the Big Red Dog.

But back to the live shows, and the Stood Up tour brings him to Manchester Arena for two nights in December.

We sat down with Jack to find out more, and get some info on that big impression (heads-up, we were sorry we asked ...)

You like the live shows to start with a bang don't you?

I love a big entrance, so in my first arena tour I came on stage on a Segway and then the next time it was a horse. In the first show, it did a sh*t on stage as soon as it came on. The audience were in absolute hysterics - especially as I had to clean it up before I could start the show. Because it was so funny, I thought, 'We need that to happen every night. Either we feed the horse extra before we come on or we plant it on stage.' We opted for the latter. So we planted sh*t on stage, and every night it got a huge laugh. The downside was, I also had to clean it up every night!

With so much film and TV work coming your way, what's the appeal of the live shows?

I love the rapport you get with a live audience. It's great that I've built an audience over the years. It's very exciting that they know me and have seen the progression of my stand-up. They shout things out and that becomes part of the show. I love the thrill of stand-up, it's really immediate. It's so exciting to be able to go on and get an instant reaction from the audience. I also love the fact that anything can happen - it is different every single night. You can control things on the spur of the moment. You're totally in control.

There is something so appealing about being able to get up on stage in front of an audience and have a very authentic, instantaneous and organic experience with them. When you go away and do writing and acting, you miss that. You get the itch to return to stand-up. It's a bug. I'd find it very hard ever to quit it. I'll always come back to it, it's my first love.

Is it harder to connect with an audience now the shows have got so big?

Doing an arena show, you have to make it feel like it belongs, so you have to do stuff that could only happen in an arena. I really like big production values. You want to put on a proper show in an arena, musicians do it so why shouldn't comedians? If people come to arena shows, they have made an effort. They have paid money for the tickets, and got a babysitter, so you want to give them a real show. I love a bit of a fanfare and throwing in a few surprises that make it feel like a big event - it's

the musical theatre fan inside me. How close is that fan to the surface? He's out and proud now! You have to embrace it.

What kind of subjects can we expect you to cover for Stood Up?

You're always reflecting on what's going on in your life. I've been travelling a lot with my dad recently so I'll be talking about going around the world with him. I'll be discussing stuff about being in America too, and how different I find that from the UK. I'll also be talking about the sensitivity of the world at the moment and how it's very easy to cause offence and end up in trouble. Skirting that line can be very difficult.

What do you hope audiences take away with them?

I love to make my shows really fun and silly. On stage I like to create a lot of joy and silliness, because I think the world is a depressing enough place as it is. I hope my show will be a fun distraction. I will be trying to get people beaming as they leave the auditorium.

We are living in troubled times. Without wishing to give what I do any higher meaning, I think it's really good to be distracted and laugh like an idiot for two hours.



Jack Whitehall Stood Up is at Manchester Arena on December 21 & 22. www.jackwhitehall.com



Nothing says Christmas is coming quite like the arrival of Manchester's Christmas markets.

Our city's festive stalls are the envy of the rest of the country, attracting thousands of visitors every year and in 2019 there's even more to celebrate because they're expanding.

For the first time, in addition to the main hub in Albert Square and the usual Exchange Square, New Cathedral Street, King Street and St Ann's Square sites, there'll be new food and craft stalls and a new bar stretching right along to Piccadilly Gardens.

Launching on November 8, the majority of the markets will run up until December 21, with stalls in Albert Square staying open for an extra day to keep everyone in a Christmassy mood that bit longer.

The total number of traders this year is predicted to reach 300, including a designated family friendly section at Cathedral Gardens.

So, glühwein in hand, what are the top attractions not to miss?

We've made a list and checked it twice, and here are our festive favourites ...

The Ice Village at Cathedral Gardens – the village is themed around mythical beasts and royal regalia and, for the first time, it includes a mini ice slide for little ones aged 12 and under. The Ice Cavern promises to take visitors to a fantasy realm of ice and snow, where legendary ice beasts including a unicorn, a griffin, and a massive dragon bathed in fire-red light live. The mythical creatures guard the entrance to a frozen castle, its battlements and turrets, all built from solid blocks of ice, so there are plenty of selfie opportunities. There's Santa's grotto and an outdoor ice rink with a clear roof so you don't need to worry about getting rained off.

The food, obviously – Manchester's Christmas markets are well known for their food, and what's on offer just keep getting better and more outrageous every year. New for this year, the Hot Stuff Bread Company will be stuffing gourmet fillings into fresh pretzel dough, and Yard & Coop is filling savoury waffle cones with buttermilk fried chicken and macaroni cheese. Eat New York takes a 'go big or go home' approach with whopping breaded camembert bagels and turkey Rueben sandwiches piled high with sliced turkey, pastrami, sausage stuffing patty, cranberry sauce and a Russian dressing.

And desserts ... did we mention the desserts? – If you've got a sweet tooth then there's a campfire s'mores stand at the new Piccadilly Gardens site selling toasted marshmallow kebabs – alternated with

brownies or strawberries – and s'mores, which are basically toasted marshmallows squashed between two cookies with melted chocolate. Flavours include Oreo, Biscoff, Milkybar and Reece's Pieces, squished between homemade chocolate chip cookies.

The bars, and not just any old bars – why prop up the bar in a pub when you could be ordering cocktails at an Ice Tiki Bar? Based at the Ice Village, the Ice Tiki Bar is serving tropical cocktails at -8°C. Guests will be given thermal capes to keep them warm, ice sculptures of Easter Island's monolithic Moai statues will decorate the bar, and there's a cocktail menu including supersized ice bowls to share, shots and fruity mocktails. A Snow Globe Bar is serving winter cocktails inside a giant fairy light-decorated dome at Piccadilly Gardens. Think gin hot toddies and mulled wine and you're on the right track – there's a programme of live music lined up too.

A chance to do some Christmas shopping – in among the hundreds of stalls you'll find gifts, crafts, jewellery, clothes and toys. European and local producers offer everything from fine amber jewellery, handcrafted leather bags and top-quality bonsai trees, to handmade Belgian kitchenware, framed photo prints and French soaps so there's really no excuse for a panicky Christmas Eve dash.



© Yard and Coop waffle cone



GREENGATE MARKETING PARTNERS



The Oast House - Spinningfields

20% OFF FOOD BILL

Amidst the sprawling towers of Spinningfields, The Oast House is a truly curious sight. A place for workers from all walks of life to indulge in deli boards, rotisseries and the grill. Once home to hops and kilns, this old world pub is now a stockpile of the world's finest ales and beverages. And the only thing that's cultivated now is good times, because here in the heart of Spinningfields everyday feels like a festival.

Terms & Conditions: To redeem show GreenGate app or Greengate keyring. Offer subject to change



Turtle Bay, Northern Quarter & Oxford Road

25% OFF FOOD ALL WEEK RATHER THAN RESTRICTED TO CERTAIN DAYS. PRESENT YOUR GREENGATE APP TO REDEEM

Inspired by beach shack & street vendors across the Caribbean islands, these great tasting dishes are perfect as a starter or for sharing with other small plates, side plates, and with mains

T&Cs: Please present your GreenGate App on arrival to confirm you are a resident. Offer only applies to the food bill, not valid with any other offer.



Thaikhun, Spinningfields

£5 COCKTAILS WITH ANY MAIN MEAL ON FRIDAYS
12-7PM

Street food is a way of life in Thailand. Thaikhun has taken it's inspiration from the streets to transport the sights, smells and taste of Thailand to you. This is the first Thaikhun to hit the streets in the awesome Spinningfields area of Manchester. Escape out of the busy streets of Manchester and transport yourself to the streets of Thailand inside Thaikhun. With an open kitchen and bar area it's the perfect venue to relax and unwind!

How to redeem: Please present your GreenGate fob to receive discount. Available Sunday – Friday 12pm-7pm, no booking required.



Lunya

20% OFF FOOD SUNDAY - FRIDAY (EXCLUDING SATURDAYS AND SPECIAL EVENT DAYS) THIS OFFER CANNOT BE USED IN CONJUNCTION WITH OTHER OFFERS. ALSO 10% OFF IN THE DELI. TO REDEEM YOU NEED TO SHOW YOUR GREENGATE APP TO YOUR SERVER

Come and visit Lunya on Deansgate, just a five-minute walk from GreenGate. Located in the beautiful Victorian Barton Arcade, Lunya is a wonderful Catalan and Spanish restaurant, bar and deli with an amazing reputation for the highest quality artisan Spanish products. Lunya is completely independent and the owners, Elaine and Peter Kinsella, would love to welcome you there.

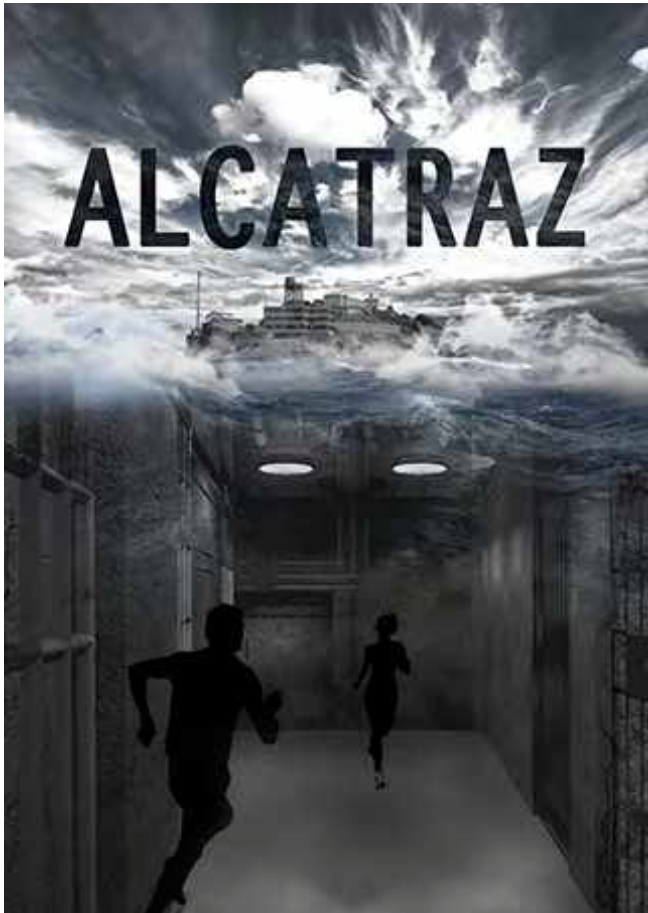
Hanging Ditch

10% OFF RETAIL TAKEAWAY PRODUCTS EVERY DAY AND 25% OFF TOTAL BILL* MONDAY-FRIDAY

Hanging Ditch independent wine merchants is just a stone's throw from GreenGate apartments next to the Cathedral and Harvey Nichols. Wines by the glass are available from a rotating selection or by the bottle for retail price plus a fixed £6 corkage. Locally roasted coffee, speciality teas, bottled beers and soft drinks are also available to sit in or takeaway.

How to redeem: Presentation of keyring on arrival

T&Cs: *This applies to drinks and food consumed on the premises and cannot be used in conjunction with any other offer. Maximum of 4 people per GreenGate resident. Subject to availability.



Escape Reality

10% OFF BOOKINGS AT ESCAPE REALITY

Escape Reality is a fully immersive escape room experience where you will have 60 minutes to escape from a room of your choice, selected from one of our 6 movie-themed rooms. Teams of 2-6 players will be faced with mysterious and challenging puzzles. You must use your initiative and problem-solving skills to decipher visual puzzles, complete sequence challenges and discover missing elements along with many other strategies created to prevent you from escaping easily. Redeem with the coupon code GREENGATE10.

T&Cs: This code entitles the recipient to book an Escape Reality Manchester game online, in-store or over the phone, at a 10% discount. Please note this discount is only valid at Escape Reality Manchester. This coupon code is not exchangeable for cash.



Ibérica

BUY A GLASS OF CAVA OR GIN & TONIC AND GET THE SECOND ONE FREE AT IBÉRICA'S DOWNSTAIRS BAR. AVAILABLE MONDAY TO FRIDAY

Looking for Spanish tapas, a glass of wine or a G&T in Manchester? Ibérica in Spinningfields is the place to go with a stunning bar, a restaurant and two outdoor terraces open all year round. From main dishes like paella to signature tapas, there's something for everyone's taste. Just drinking? Check out the bar menu for Spanish pinchos (tiny tapas) to nibble while you drink. Ibérica has over 50 different wines on the wine list, sourced from small boutique wineries in Spain giving you Spanish wines that can't be found anywhere else.

T&Cs: One free glass of cava when purchasing a glass of cava or one free G&T free when purchasing a G&T. Free cava or G&T will be the same as the one purchased. Limited to one per person per day with presentation of the GreenGate App. Not valid with any other offer, discount or promotion. Ibérica reserves the right to amend the terms and conditions or withdraw the offer at any time. Only valid at Ibérica in Spinningfields.



NORTHERN QUARTER | 17 MINS WALK

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Anyone who loves to eat out in Manchester knows that 2019 was a huge milestone in the city's dining history – we scooped a Michelin star after more than 40 years of trying!

It was left to former chef at the celebrated Danish restaurant Noma, Simon Martin, to bring it home at last after so many near misses.

His Ancoats restaurant Mana, which opened in October 2018, has created a phenomenal buzz among critics and food fans and finally secured that well-deserved place in the prestigious guide.

At GreenGate we love being so close to some of the city's very best high-end restaurants and bars, but we also know our residents like having somewhere casual to go after work or at weekends, right on the doorstep.

So, because not every night out is about Michelin-starred dining, we've chosen just a few of our favourite places in the ever-cool Northern Quarter. Maybe they're already yours too, or you could add them to your must-go list ...





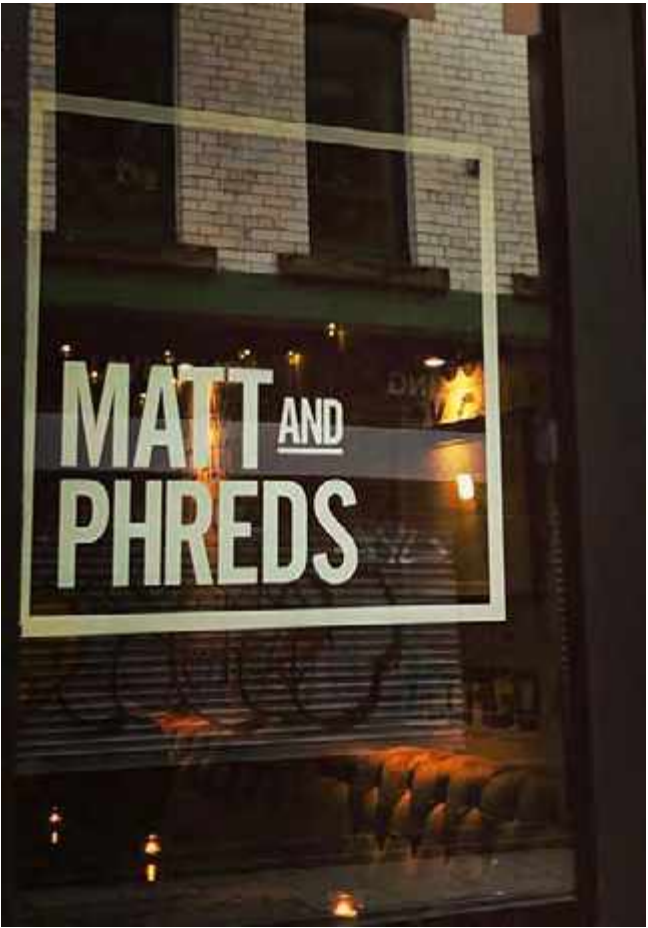
The Pen & Pencil, Hilton Street

If you're looking for a great backstory, as well as some fine food & cocktails, then The Pen & Pencil ticks all the boxes. It took its name, and its inspiration, from the famous mid-20th century bar on East 45h Street in New York which was a popular haunt of newspaper journalists and advertising creatives – the original Mad Men. Expect American-style burgers, brunch, sandwiches and mains, plus weekend DJs.



Foundry Project, corner of Thomas Street & High Street

Foundry Project, in the Smithfield Market Buildings, has staked its claim as 'the happiest place in town' which is quite some boast. But then it does do arguably one of Manchester's best bottomless weekend brunches – £22 per person for two hours of food and unlimited prosecco, bellinis, mimosas or bloody Marys – and, if that wasn't enough, there's a bottomless lunch option (including pizza) which is £25 pp.



Matt and Phred's, Tib Street

Not just a bar, or even a cool place to eat, back street jazz club Matt and Phred's is one of Manchester's best-loved venues which draws an eclectic crowd of musicians and all-ages music fans from around the world. Gigs are free from Monday to Thursday, and super-cheap at weekends, plus there's always lots of happy hour deals to be had and if you're hungry you can grab a pizza or a grazing board to share.



Home Sweet Home, Edge Street

If only home had quite such an amazing selection of fried chicken and huge cakes ... still, no need to worry because HSH has got it all covered, from breakfasts (the Texan breakfast skillet is something to behold) right through the day until it's time for all that chicken with chicken gravy, or maybe a burger, with a side of loaded fries. Just remember to put in an extra hour at the gym tomorrow.



Soup Kitchen, Spear Street

It might not sound like much, if you've never been there that is, but Soup Kitchen is actually not only a really good value place to eat, it's also one of Manchester's best live music venues. Award-winning in fact. If it's food you're after then the canteen has, well, soup obviously, served with fabulous homemade sea salt focaccia, and paired with a sandwich if you fancy, or maybe try a warm-you-up one pot.



Ply, Lever Street

Speaking of pizza (which is pretty much always) – Ply is home to some excellent Neapolitan sourdough ones, served up alongside a carefully selected, regularly changing range of craft beers, wines and classic cocktails. And there's not just pizza, there's also art in the form of curated exhibitions and a doodle wall where customers can join in. Not the arty type? Grab a good read from the book exchange instead.



The Fitzgerald, Stevenson Square

An invitation to one of Gatsby's legendary parties is never likely to land on the mat, but The Fitzgerald is probably the closest you'll get. Drinking den sounds about sexy enough to describe this dark, moody Speakeasy-style bar with its touch of glamour belonging to a bygone era. Enjoy live jazz and blues into the early hours, as well as DJs at weekends, while you sip cocktails from 1920s vintage glassware.



Tariff & Dale, Tariff Street

This place has been a go-to in the Northern Quarter since 2015 and there's no sign of it losing its appeal. Making the most of its historic building, in the former warehouse of a cotton spinners, now looms and weaving machines have made way for a wood-fired pizza oven and grill serving fat juicy steaks alongside British beers and classic cocktails. There's still plenty of exposed brickwork and steel columns though.



Floyd Hutchinson



Floyd came to Manchester University 10 years ago to study and now owns his own technology business

For Floyd Hutchinson, apartment living has always needed to be about more than just somewhere to eat and sleep. That's why, when he was looking for a new home in Manchester two-and-a-half years ago, he found GreenGate so appealing.

"I wanted more than just accommodation, I wanted the best added value for my money in terms of all the extras and amenities you get on top," says Floyd.

"I'd heard about GreenGate and I was really attracted to things like the 24-hour concierge and the parcel lockers, they meant a great deal to me. I always get lots of deliveries and in the past, nine times out of 10, instead of receiving what I'd ordered I'd always get the 'missed delivery' card which meant wasting time having to walk to the Post Office.

"Moving to GreenGate felt like I was moving into a serviced apartment almost, with the little touches of a hotel but at the same time with the more personal feel of an apartment."

Floyd came to Manchester University 10 years ago to study and now owns his own technology business, Tabledash, providing pre-payment software to help restaurants offer a better, faster service to their customers.

He has offices just off Deansgate, so he can avoid the rush hour traffic by walking from GreenGate, but he enjoys the flexibility of working from a variety of different locations too.

"I am only a short distance away from the office, so that's another factor, being able to get to and from work really easily.

"But I tend to work from home a lot, probably 40% of my time I'm working away from the office.

"I used the Residents' Lounge before to work from, and now with the new co-working space the desks have formalised the area a bit more so people who do work from home feel like they have somewhere specific to do that.

"I like to mix and match where I work, I can't sit in one place, so I'll maybe work from home for the first hour or two and then downstairs in the Residents' Lounge for a couple of hours, then have a lunch break in the Northern Quarter, before going back to apartment and downstairs again to finish the day off."

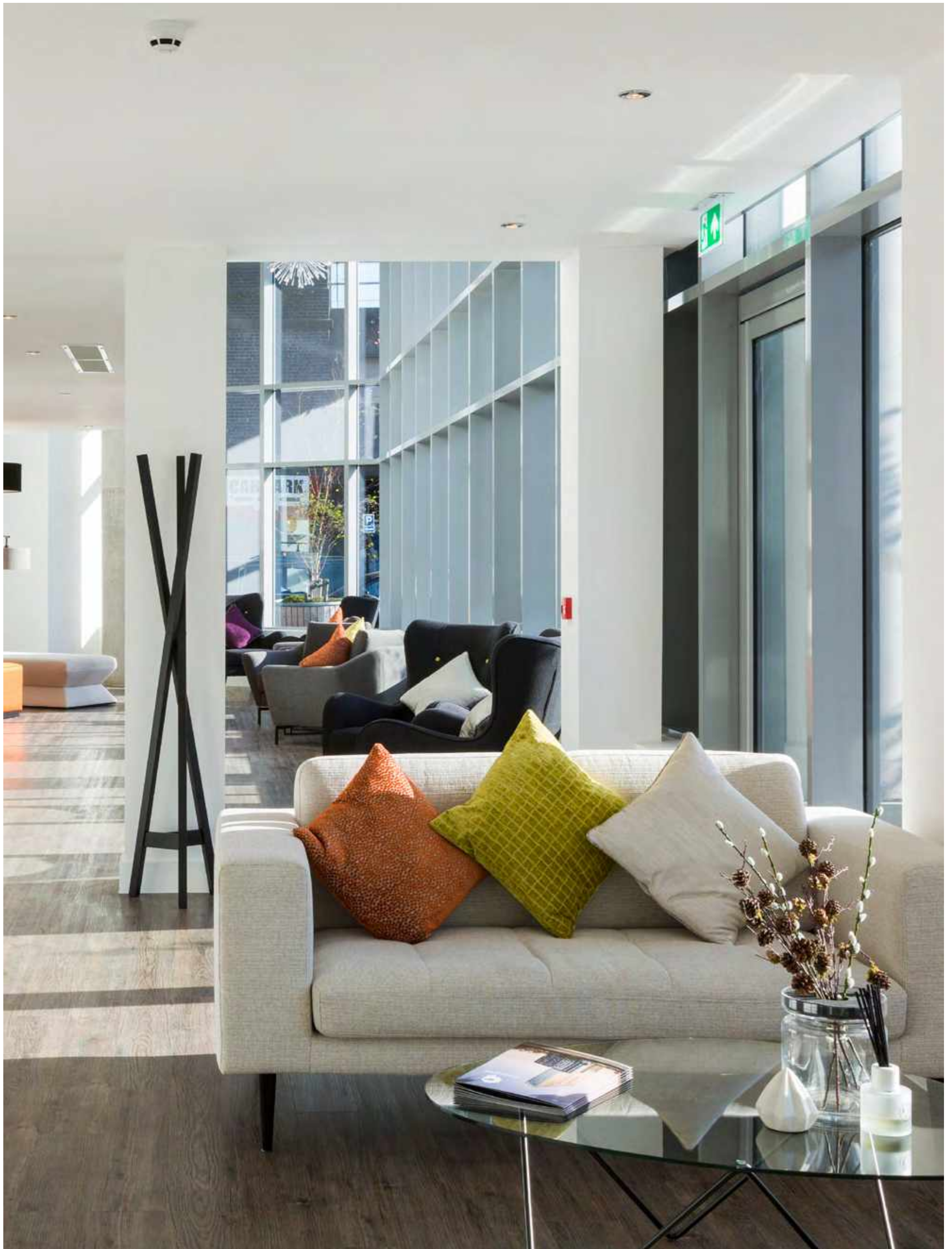
As for the sense of community at GreenGate, 29-year-old Floyd says that's probably the biggest plus of all.

"One of the main things for me about GreenGate is the relationships I've built up over the past two-and-a-half years," he adds "I pretty much know everybody who lives here now.

"Some people are more introverted than others, but I'm probably one of the more extrovert, so for me, I absolutely love that aspect of social living.

"The community spirit here is one of the reasons I've stayed for so long – other places just don't compare."





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