

## White Oaks appoints Business Director and relaunches with clear vision to support the sector

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[White Oaks](#), the senior living division of [Compass Group UK & Ireland](#), has appointed Laura Tighe as its Business Director. This comes as the team relaunch the offer, with a clear vision that encapsulates consistent high-quality food and services, with dedicated expertise.

Laura will take on responsibility for overseeing the strategy and operations across White Oaks. She joins from the position of Managing Director at Caterplus, with a wealth of experience and knowledge from 25 years working within foodservice. Over the last seven years, Laura has focused on, and developed a true passion for, supporting the Healthcare and Senior Living sectors – which drives her work with teams and clients.

Laura joins the wider team which includes Helen Ream, in her role as Dietitian and Lee Newton, as Business Development Director.

The White Oaks offer has relaunched, with an approach that spans catering and facilities management for Residential and Nursing Homes through to Assisted Living and Retirement Living. In each area, the team creates food and service offers that are developed to meet the specific meal requirements of residents and tenants, offering quality, choice and flexibility throughout the day in a home from home environment.

The White Oaks offer is based on four key principles:

Corporate & Socially Responsible

White Oaks is committed to supporting people and the local communities it operates in, working in a sustainable way in line with the wider business' Our Social Promise – positively impacting one million lives by 2030; Our Climate Promise – reaching climate Net Zero by 2030; and Our Health and Wellbeing Promise – encouraging healthy eating and supporting mental wellbeing.

#### Innovation & Added Value

The offers are based on meeting differing requirements across the older generation to enrich the lives of residents through technology and driving innovations. This is enhancing elements of care such as social interaction amongst residents to tackle isolation.

#### Safety & Wellbeing

The White Oaks team are trained with safety and wellbeing as their top priority, to ensure that every person has their specific needs catered for.

#### People

White Oaks is committed to creating a culture that develops, supports and empowers its colleagues to deliver the best possible service for residents.

Laura Tighe, Business Director for White Oaks said: “Our team has wide ranging expertise that brings quality, experience and knowledge within our field. Our clients rely on us to understand their needs and create truly meaningful services and experiences, that will enrich the lives of the people we serve. I am proud to relaunch White Oaks, bringing to life an exciting proposition with a clear strategy of what we offer to our clients and residents.”

Russell Blake, Managing Director, Healthcare – Compass Group UK & Ireland: “It is great to welcome Laura to our White Oaks team. She brings with her experience and skills that will help drive our White Oaks offer forward and deliver high standards in partnership with our clients in this space.”