CrestClean Property CareTaking Our solution to school caretaking



CrestClean's new Property CareTaking service is designed to modernise the school caretaker role and provides schools with a viable alternative to directly employing a caretaker.

CrestClean Property CareTakers are:

- Self-Managing to a Schedule of Duties
- Health and Safety Compliant
- Security Vetted
- Trained in the Vulnerable Children Act
- Competent and Responsible







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The traditional caretaker has become an anachronism these days, and many existing caretakers are operating outside of the current workplace Health and Safety compliances.

All too often hazardous tasks are being performed by people without the correct equipment or risk controls.

Some tasks are best left to outside contractors, with the caretaker working around the hazardous tasks. For example, working at heights beyond access and short duration works is deemed a high risk activity, and proper working platforms must now be used. So high work is best left to contractors who have specific Health and Safety training and the correct equipment to undertake these tasks.

CrestClean provides the school with a consultative appraisal. Caretaking tasks are defined and ordered into a schedule of duties, with regular, seasonal and periodic tasks. Time is set aside for repairs, maintenance and attending to incidents.

We document a tools register

to ensure you have all the required and certified equipment, and we can assist the school to manage the sale or disposal of the old, non functional equipment. We also clean up the caretakers' areas, sheds and storage areas.

The schedule of duties forms the basis for an annual service on a contract basis.

We supply a trained and capable person who is introduced to the school and inducted to the tasks identified in the schedule of duties. The CrestClean Property CareTaker is self-managed and reports to the point of contact on a regular basis. Our CareTaker can also co-ordinate scheduled maintenance with external contractors like plumbers and glaziers, responding to repairs and maintenance.

From a Health and Safety point of view, the principal

and Board of Trustees can have confidence that there is a set of compliances around caretaking tasks. The duties can be packaged together to operate on a contract basis to a similar budget as having a direct employee and the supervision woes disappear.

Our CareTakers have a trade background. They are trained in the safe operation of their equipment and to carry out their tasks without endangering school children or staff. Additionally, all our CareTakers are trained in the Vulnerable Children Act 2014 and are security vetted with Ministry of Justice background checks.

CrestClean takes a consultative approach to establishing this role, and we work with you to come up with the appropriate package to suit your schools' requirements.

Success Through Effort

CrestClean's Property CareTaking service has been launched at Kelston Intermediate School.

Principal Phil Gordon is pleased with progress.

CrestClean already cleans the school and Mr

Gordon can already see the benefits of having

CrestClean manage both services.

For further information about how we could assist you with caretaking at your school, please contact your local CrestClean Regional Manager.

