

## **APPRENTICE CHEFS TO TAKE-OVER THE KITCHEN AT FIFTEEN CORNWALL**

The second year's intake of apprentice chefs at Fifteen Cornwall will be showing everyone just how well they're doing on their journeys to becoming professional chefs, when they take over the kitchen at the restaurant for one week at the end of January.

From Monday 28<sup>th</sup> January to Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> February the 15 apprentices will be going it alone under the very watchful eye of Fifteen Cornwall's executive chef Neil Haydock. Without the support of the usual team of professional chefs the apprentices will be doing everything themselves - all the preparation and cooking for every service.

Student week will put everything that the young chefs have learnt from their time spent training at Cornwall College and in the beach-side kitchen to the test, and marks an important milestone in their time with the training programme.

Karl Jones, Fifteen Cornwall's Training and Development Chef is confident that the apprentices will thrive on their new responsibilities during the take-over week: *"I've seen the apprentices undergo so many changes both personally and professionally since they started at Fifteen Cornwall and an important catalyst for that change has been the support and encouragement that they've received from the foundation along the way.*

*"The responsibilities that they've had in the kitchen have been gradually increased since they came to the restaurant in June and I'm sure that they'll really enjoy the chance to take charge and prove that they can do it. It's an amazing opportunity for them and great experience for when they graduate in the early summer and go onto start new careers."*

Running in conjunction with the apprentice week will be a photographic exhibition at the restaurant by Fifteen Cornwall's photographer Simon Burt, where a collection of images will tell the story of the individual personalities that make up the team of apprentice chefs.

To experience the apprentices taking over the kitchen and Simon Burt's photographic exhibition make a reservation for lunch or dinner, between 28<sup>th</sup> January and 3<sup>rd</sup> February by calling 01637 861000 or book online at [www.fifteencornwall.co.uk](http://www.fifteencornwall.co.uk)

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## **Notes to editors**

**Fifteen Cornwall** opened on 18th May 2006 with an innovative menu of the best seasonal and local produce, a relaxed atmosphere, talented chefs and an incredible view over a beautiful two-mile beach.

The restaurant is dedicated to the same inspirational social enterprise goals as set out by Jamie Oliver and the team at Fifteen London. Each year the restaurant gives up to 20 trainee-chefs the once in a lifetime opportunity to turn their lives around.

All profits from Fifteen Cornwall go to the registered charity, The Cornwall Foundation of Promise. The charity's purpose is the creation of fantastic career opportunities for disadvantaged, local, young people, helping them every step of the way to achieve their potential. The restaurant also provides a valuable boost to Cornwall's tourism industry and makes use of the abundance of high quality local food producers in the region.

The project has received more than £1 million in grants from Objective One and the South West Regional Development Agency (SWRDA), with additional support from Jobcentre Plus, the Learning and Skills Council (LSC), Cornwall College, Cornwall County Council, Restormel Borough Council, St Austell Brewery, HSBC Bank, Barclays Bank and The Hotel and Extreme Academy, Watergate Bay.

For Fifteen Cornwall reservations and menu information visit [www.fifteencornwall.co.uk](http://www.fifteencornwall.co.uk) or call 01637 861000 (lines open between 9.00am and 7.00pm seven days a week).

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