



MEDIA INFORMATION
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**ARORA HOTEL GATWICK/CRAWLEY'S GENERAL MANAGER
WILL BE RUNNING VIRGIN LONDON MARATHON 2011**

Jan Lensen, General Manager of the Arora Hotel Gatwick/Crawley is dusting off his clogs and training hard ready to take part in the Virgin London Marathon on Sunday 17th April 2011.

Jan will take to the streets of London in support of Sense International, a leading global charity which works in partnership to provide services and raise awareness of the needs of deaf blind people and their families so they can connect, participate and contribute to their communities.

Although he has never run a marathon before, Jan has been training hard for the last six months and hopes to pass the finish line in less than four hours. He commented on his blog "One (Monday!) morning, I decided that I would "do the marathon" and would do it properly. This meant joining a club, getting a training schedule, buying kit etc. So, training started back in October and I still haven't given in!"

Jan will join another 35,000 participants to run the over 26.3-mile (42-kilometre) race which is now in its thirty-first year.

See how you can support Jan's effort and Sense International by visiting Jan's blog at <http://www.justgiving.com/jan-lensen>

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Note to editors

About Arora Hotels – www.arorahotels.com

Arora Hotels is an independent hotel company owned and founded by Surinder Arora in 1999. It is the UK's leading specialist hotelier to the airline industry and one of the fastest growing private hotel companies in the UK.

The company has made a name for itself through the design, construction and operation of luxury hotels, with exceptional levels of hospitality.

Their portfolio currently comprises seven hotels with over 2500 bedrooms. Prime locations include the Arora Hotel Heathrow, Arora Park Heathrow, Arora Hotel Gatwick/Crawley, Arora Hotel Manchester city centre, the flagship 605 bedroom Sofitel London Heathrow, directly connected to the iconic Terminal 5, Sofitel London Gatwick at the North Terminal and Mercure London Gatwick. Both Sofitels and Mercure London Gatwick are operated under a franchise agreement with Accor Hospitality.

At The Brit Oval, Arora is currently working in partnership with Surrey County Cricket Club on the development of a four-star, 168 bedroom hotel.

Arora Hotels has been selected as the preferred partner to build and operate the 212-bedroom four-star Royal Ascot Hotel, to be located on the High Street opposite the world famous racecourse.

The company recently announced that it had secured an agreement to design and construct four new budget hotels at Heathrow, Gatwick and Stansted airports. Subject to planning, the hotels will open on a phased basis from summer 2012

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