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The Mellor's Group acquire The Carousel FEC at Fantasy Island

Following the purchase of Fantasy Island in March, the **Mellor's Group** have acquired the leasehold interest in the Carousel **FEC**, which forms part of the theme park's leisure complex.



he Carousel FEC and arcade operating adjacent to Fantasy Island in Ingoldmells, Skegness, has been bought by the Mellor's Group. The 10,000 sq ft site, operated by Pam and Marc Simon of IGM leisure since 2009, has an FEC premises licence and comes with a full inventory in excess of 200 machines. The Mellor's Group are also looking to add an AGC to the venue in the near future.

James Mellor, director of the Mellor's Group, said: "We are delighted to have secured such a prestigious operation from Marc Simon which will complement our existing business. It is our intention to extend this already substantial FEC, add an AGC and invest significantly in the site to hopefully establish this as the leading FEC in the area."

The international operator, which also runs a theme park of the same name in Dubai, purchased the freehold of Fantasy Island in March of this year out of administration. They have now acquired the leasehold from IGM Leisure.

Delighted by the sale, director of IGM Leisure Marc Simon said it would allow the company to reinvest into its other amusement businesses in London.

Colin White of CJWhite Associates, who acted on behalf of IGM Leisure during the sale, added: "We have secured vet another sale in this sector to one of the leading operators in the industry and look forward to working with our client to secure further AGC acquisitions in London."

The Mellor's Group now own and operate all the amusement centres on the Fantasy Island

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leisure complex, which it plans to continue investing in throughout the next few years. While the theme park's new destiny may seem a far cry from the days of administration, the attraction remained open during this time and still had a very successful summer season in 2015. Now, however, the park's future is much more certain, and that future looks to be one of growth and success for years to come.

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