

Arboretum Code of Conduct

1. Leave no trace of your visit

Leave the arboretum as you find it. Litter is unsightly and dangerous for wildlife so take home all your rubbish. Always clean up after your dog. Wrapped dog waste can be placed in the red bin by the Arboretum entrance or any council-emptied litter bin in the village.

2. Appreciate nature

Take as many photographs as you want but leave all plants and animals alone. Do not pick plants or flowers (except blackberries) and take care not to damage the trees. Do not take leaves, twigs or branches from them.

3. Enjoy some refreshment

You're welcome to have a picnic but do not light fires. Leave the barbecue at home. Please do not smoke or use vapes in the arboretum.

4. Consider others. Keep children and dogs under control

The arboretum is for everyone to enjoy so please be considerate. Always keep your dog under control as some people feel nervous of dogs. Please note that the arboretum is not a secure, fully enclosed site so please set boundaries for your children and be aware of where they are.

We all enjoy the peacefulness of the arboretum, so do not play music, shout or hold parties or other large gatherings in the arboretum. Occasionally our maintenance teams will be present. They will place warning signs around the site of their work. Please stay well away from any such area.

5. Enjoy the daylight

The arboretum is usually open for visits during daylight hours only. Overnight stays are not permitted. In the event of high winds or storms, the arboretum is always closed. Do not enter the site when these conditions apply as there is a danger of falling branches/trees.

6. Enjoy your exercise

Walking, jogging, running, yoga and children's play are all welcome here, but cycling is not permitted. You may not climb the trees. Please wear sensible shoes suitable for unpaved, outdoor environments and be aware that there are many trip hazards due to the uneven ground.

7. Stay safe

We want everyone to enjoy the arboretum and go home injury-free. Please always be aware of your own safety. In the event of an accident, please report this to us by email. If you have any safety concerns, please report these to us.

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