



The Manor Fields Estate Limited

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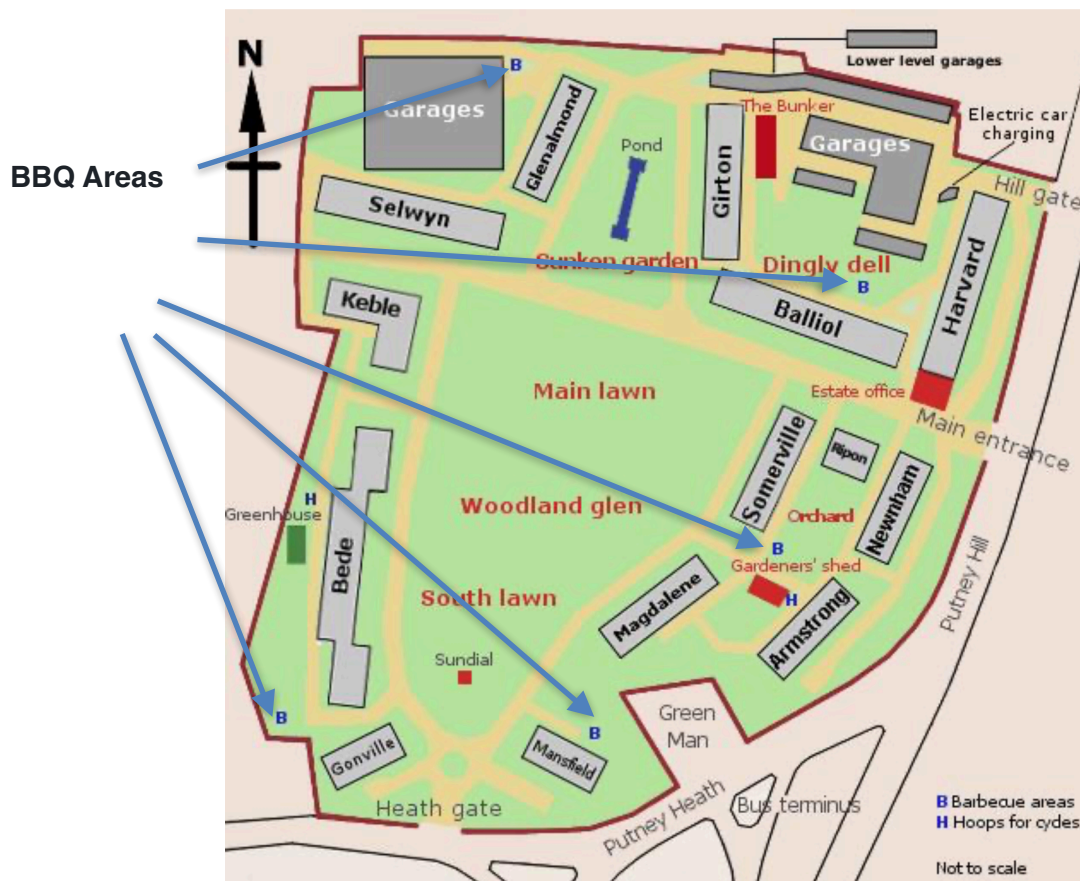
6th May 2020

Dear Residents and Leaseholders

BBQ's

With the glorious weather that we have been experiencing and which will hopefully continue, we are delighted that residents are enjoying the garden. For the benefit of those who like the opportunity to BBQ there are five designated areas around the estate where you can set up. These are indicated on the attached map (letter B - behind Glenalmond, Balliol, Mansfield and Bede and also in the orchard,) and there are concrete slabs and picnic tables provided.

Please keep your cooking to these areas for safety reasons and, in particular, do not place anything hot on the grass e.g. disposable barbecues or foil trays as they cause damage and scorch the grass. Please also remember to remove any rubbish when you have finished and dispose of it with your household rubbish.



BEE HIVES AND HONEY

Steve Derry, who owns and manages the bee hives at Manor Fields, has reported that unfortunately the bee population has not fared well over winter and we have lost the queens in both hives. The hives have now been sterilised in readiness for a new population of bees. Interestingly beekeepers across the country are reporting 40% losses due to poor mating in the wet spring. Steve expects to be able to repopulate the Manor Fields hives in the summer with a view to producing honey for us next year.

In the meantime there are a limited number of 12 oz pots of delicious honey from local hives including ours, for sale from the office for £7.50 each on a first come first served basis. Please email the office to reserve a pot. All funds go to Steve Derry and the valuable work that he does to maintain hives in the area for the benefit of local gardens and the environment.

BOOKS AVAILABLE

If you enjoy a good read, there are two boxes of books (mainly crime novels and recipe books) which have been donated for residents. If you are interested, they will be available to view and select between 10am and 1pm on Bank Holiday Friday 8th May - on trestles outside the office. Please maintain social distancing safety measures when perusing the books. The books are free but if anyone wishes to make a voluntary donation, all contributions will go to the Royal Trinity Hospice.

STAFF

Kenza continues to manage the rubbish collection on his own and will be here on bank holiday Friday to clear the bins across the estate.

Jo and Dawid are both making a gradual recovery and fortunately we think that the rest of the staff have escaped illness for the time being.

With the exception of Heather, Maria, Zoltan and Kenza, all staff remain furloughed for the time being. We will update you regarding any changes to this once the government have released their plans to ease the current lockdown policy.

Please continue to maintain social distancing, stay safe and well and enjoy the sunshine.

With best wishes

The Directors