Information Sheet for Organised Caravan Rallies

The Park

Shipley Country Park is located near to Heanor and Ilkeston, and between Derby, and Nottingham.

The park is well situated for all local services and is close to many tourist attractions in the East Midlands.

Whatever the season, there is always lots to see and do in the park, with over 600 acres and 18 miles of quiet paths and bridleways for walking, cycling and horse-riding, bird-watching, picnicking, kite-flying, angling, jogging, wayfaring, photography, exploring the park and much more.

Caravan Rallies

Organised club rallies can take place between June and September. Caravans will be placed on grass. Hard-standing areas are not available. Should the site become waterlogged we reserve the right to cancel the booking. A £25.00 non-returnable deposit is required on confirmation of booking. The key to the barrier should be collected from the Visitor Centre BEFORE 4.30 pm and returned BEFORE 5.00 pm. The barrier is to be kept locked when not in use - especially overnight.

Facilities Available include:

Elsan emptying point / Water point / Visitor Centre and café / Public toilets (open 9.15am - 4.30pm daily) / Please note: electricity is NOT available.

Rally participants are expected to:

Take home all their litter / Leave the area as they find it / Keep dogs under control / Keep noise to a suitable level

Please note that in addition:

We do allow the erection of a marquee for use of by rally participants, but all music must be kept within acceptable limits. Speakers are not to be directed out on to the park. / Any drink provided must not be sold to the general public. / Only gas-fired barbeques are allowed on the grassed areas.

Local Facilities

Shopping

Heanor is a small market town approximately 5 minutes drive away, with a good range of shops and services. Before the town is a supermarket (open 24 hr) and a number of retail outlets. There are also many good factory shops in the area.

Churches

Churches of most denominations can be found in and around the town.

Garages

The nearest garage to the Park is Hanson's on Thorpes Road, near to the entrance of the park. There is another garage, shop and ATM on Derby Road (A608) and sells newspapers and grocery items. It is licensed to sell wines, spirits and beer.

Recreation

A multi-screen cinema is situated at the Meteor Centre, Derby on the A61. There is also a small independent cinema off the Market Place in the nearby town of Ilkeston (DE7 5QB). There are several golf courses and driving ranges within a short distance of the park. Morley Hayes is on the A608 for Derby. Horsley Lodge is off the A608 near Smalley. Others include Ormonde Fields Golf Club at Codnor, off the A610, and Pewit Carr Golf Club at Ilkeston, near the A609. A leisure centre can be found on Hands Road, Heanor, off the A608, just after the traffic lights.

Doctors and Dentists

There are several doctors and dentist surgeries in the town (ask at the Visitor Centre for details). A minor accident hospital can be found on Heanor Road, near Ilkeston (DE7 8LN). Any major emergencies should go straight to the Royal Derby Hospital (DE22 3NE) or Queens Medical Centre in Nottingham (NG27 2UH).

If you need any further information please ask at the Visitor Centre (01629 533991).