

ISSUE 6: TRENTHAM GARDENS

This note has been prepared following receipt of the representation received from Trentham Leisure (P2—N28).

The suggested policy by Trentham Leisure Limited is as follows.

*“The Trentham Estate and Gardens is a recreation, leisure, tourism and visitor attraction. Limited development and infilling will be permitted within the northern area of the estate (as defined on the Plan in Appendix **) for the following range of uses:*

- *Outdoor sport and recreation*
- *Indoor leisure and entertainment facilities*
- *Hotel-conference centre*
- *Exhibition facilities*
- *Heritage/leisure/recreation/craft related retailing*
- *Visitor facilities*
- *New residential development including the re-use of Trentham Courtyard and Trentham Hall.*

Development at the Trentham Estate and Gardens must meet the following criteria:

- a. Conserve the natural and historic environment including existing buildings, gardens, landscape, flora and fauna;*
- b. Enhance recreation/leisure facilities within the Borough;*
- c. Limit the impact on the highway network;*
- d. Meet the principles and objectives of the Green Belt”.*

Many of the uses listed in the policy have already been implemented as part of the enabling development that formed part of the original masterplan (P2- L41) and outline planning permission (P2- L38 and P2-L39)(see map attached).

There might be a case in heritage terms for allowing residential use of the redundant listed buildings around the former stable courtyard to bring them back into use if it can be demonstrated there is no suitable economic or policy compliant alternative. This can be dealt with through the existing policies contained within the Adopted Plan (P2 –C1). However the proposal for new residential development within the historic park would be quite out of keeping with its character and significance. Furthermore it is wholly unacceptable as the land falls within the Green Belt.

KEY

- 1 Adventure Play
- 2 Aerial Extreme*
- 3 Amphitheatre*
- 4 Barefoot Walk (Easter-October)
- 5 Bird Hide
- 6 Boardwalk Area
- 7 Boat*
- 8 Cascade
- 9 Floral Labyrinth
- 10 Garden Centre
- 11 Gardens Entrance
- 12 Heronry
- 13 Italian Garden
- 14 Italian Garden Tearoom
- 15 Lakeside Cafe
- 16 Maze
- 17 Miniature Train*
- 18 Monument Walk
- 19 Parkland
- 20 Perseus & Medusa
- 21 Premier Inn
- 22 Rivers of Grass
- 23 Shopping Village
- 24 Show Gardens
- 25 Southern Entrance to Gardens
- 26 Trellis Walk & David Austin Rose Border
- 27 Trentham Hall Remains
- 28 Trentham Ice
- 29 Trentham Monkey Forest*
- 30 Viewing Platform & Upper Flower Garden
- 31 Wilderness Wood
- 32 Woodland Walks

WC Toilets
(M/F, Disabled & Baby changing)
Please note:
There are no disabled toilets at the Southern Entrance

--- Trentham Gardens
--- Monkey Forest



*extra charge applies, operate seasonally