

## Baddesley Clinton Access Statement

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### Introduction

Discover a secluded, intimate estate set in the heart of the Forest of Arden with 500 years of fascinating and unexpected stories. Baddesley Clinton was the home of the Ferrers family for 500 years. Much of the house you see today was built by Henry Ferrers, a lawyer, diarist and antiquarian, in the late 1500s. The house was a sanctuary not only for the Ferrers family, but also for persecuted Catholics who were hidden from priest hunters in its secret hiding places during the 1590s.

### Points to note

- The mobile phone reception across the site is poor. Best location for mobile reception is in the carpark.
- Baddesley Clinton is a moated property.
- Assistance dogs are allowed on site.
- Dogs are not allowed on site. This includes visitor reception, shop, restaurant and bookshop. They are allowed in the carparks. Dog bowl provided outside visitor reception.
- Light levels in the mansion are low to maintain and protect the collection.
- There are 4 manual wheelchairs available from visitor reception.
- There are no power assisted doors on the estate.
- The gardens have a lake, stream, two ponds and other water ditches.
- Induction loops are fitted in visitor reception, shop and restaurant.

### Arrival & Parking Facilities

- The site is easy to find, close to the M40 & M42 Motorways. Browns signs displayed 9 miles from the property. Packwood House is 2 miles away from us who also have brown signs.
- There are 14 designated disabled visitors' bays. The disabled parking is 100 yards from visitor reception.
- The main carpark surface is gravel. Our overflow parking is grass.
- The disabled visitor parking is in the main carpark.

- Areas of the main carpark are occasionally cordoned off for coach parking.
- We have a drop off area outside visitor reception and seating in reception for people to wait.
- Overflow parking is 250 yards from the visitor reception.

## WCs

- There are WCs in our barnyard area next to the shop and restaurant, including a right-hand transfer accessible WC with space to turn a wheelchair through. There are no adult changing facilities, but baby changing facilities are located in the accessible WC. All WCs have automatic hand driers, hard floors and brick wall surfaces. LED lights are on PLR Sensors.
- These are the only toilets on site for visitors.
- Size of accessible toilet door 92cm. Accessible toilet room size 188cm x 218cm.

## Visitor Reception

- The building is made from brick, it has high ceilings and sound can echo through the building.
- The floor in reception is flagstone with underfloor heating. There is a mat imbedded in the floor inside the main door.
- The entrance is down a short slope.
- The width of the Visitor Reception door is 92cm.
- The entrance door is not a power operated single door. The door opens inwards. There are staff and volunteers available to assist with opening the door if required.
- The height of the reception desk is 92cm; there are also two tables that the reception team use for membership enquires, height 75cm.
- The area is lit by 3 skylight windows and one long window providing natural light. Reception also has lights with LED bulbs.
- Chairs are available in reception. There is a total of 9 chairs, 4 have arm rests, 2 chairs can be used at any time. The chairs around the tables are used for membership administration. These can be made available to visitors if requested.
- Induction loop is available at the reception desk.
- Manual wheelchairs are available for loan at the property. We have a total of 4 manual wheelchairs that are serviced once a year. Visitors can book the wheelchairs in advance.

## Retail

- The visitor reception and the shop share the same entrance and building. You have to go through the reception to gain access to the shop.
- The floor in the shop is flagstone all at the same level.
- The lighting in the shop is LED.
- There is one counter with two tills. Height of the counter is 93cm.

- There is an induction loop fitted at both tills.
- There is an oval table in the centre of the shop. This is used for displays. There is enough room to navigate around this table and the items are reachable by wheelchair users and children. High of oval table is 76cm.
- Volunteers and staff are available to assist with service, and will help with lifting and carrying goods if required.
- The shop has a sliding single door which can be opened by wheelchair users. Staff and volunteers are available to assist. The width of the door is 100cm.

## **Barnyard**

- The area known as the Barnyard is where the shop, toilets, restaurant and bookshop are located. The paths around the barnyard are uneven brick and there is a drop from the path to the seating area. This drop is 11cm. The seating area is covered in clear stone which is a solid surface easy to move around on.
- You can access the barnyard through the shop. The shop has a sliding single door which can be opened by wheelchair users. Staff and volunteers are also available to assist.
- The Barnyard contains chairs and tables for visitors to use as well as benches that are used for plant sales.
- There are 2 covered areas in the Barnyard; one is flat to the surface the other is up a raised step.
- The Barnyard has two archways leading through it. One archway is 96cm. The second archway is 107cm.

## **Mansion**

- The mansion is 250 yards from the visitor reception. The route from visitor reception is a mixture of flagstone, brick, gravel and stone.
- The only route to access the house is across the bridge over the moat.
- The bridge is laid with stones and is slightly uneven but accessible by wheelchair users.
- Once across the bridge there is an archway which has a small step. There is a ramp provided.
- There are 2 Entrance doors into the mansion. The scullery door is the main entrance and the entrance hall is the second entrance. The entrance hall is the easier door to access the property for wheelchair users. The main entrance is 97cm. The entrance hall is 104cm.
- Rucksacks and large bags are required to be left in the entrance. This area is monitored at all times.
- The flooring is a mixture of stone, carpet and wood. Some of the rooms upstairs have a small step into them.
- There is more than one floor. Access to the first floor is accessible by the stairs, handrail provided. If unable to use stairs an iPad is provided which gives a virtual tour

of the upstairs of the mansion. The exit to the mansion is accessed down stairs a handrail is provided.

- The mansion has natural light passing through the windows and soft lighting in the rooms, LED lighting in place to protect the collection. Can be dark in some of the rooms.
- Seating is provided in most of the rooms. Volunteers are in rooms to assist if needed. Some seats have armrests.
- Staff and Volunteers are available to assist with opening of doors if required. Volunteers are located in multiple rooms and all have emergency pendants.

## **Bookshop**

- The bookshop is located in the Barnyard area.
- The bookshop is located in two rooms and books displayed outside the building.
- Both rooms are not suitable for wheelchair users. There is a ramp into one of the rooms. Selections of second-hand books are available outside the bookshop. Bookshop volunteers available most days and can assist with finding books if required.
- The flooring in the bookshop is tile.
- The bookshop doors measure at 80cm and 83cm.

## **Catering**

- The Restaurant is located in the Barnyard area.
- The entrance to the restaurant is up 4 steps. A handrail is provided. There is also a ramp provided.
- The door is 95cm wide. The door is an outward swinging door, catering team members can assist if required.
- The width between the tables varies.
- There is an induction loop at the tills.
- The counter height is 90cm

## **Garden**

- The gardens are accessed through the Barnyard and continue around the back of the Mansion.
- The gardens have some gravel paths around our mansion. The Lakeside walk, woodland and vegetable garden are now surfaced with self-binding gravel which is suitable for wheelchairs.
- The gardens contain five bridges around the lakeside walk. Some of the bridges have a small raised step at 4cms.
- Some of the areas of the garden can get muddy in the winter months. Any areas that are unpassable are roped off by the gardens team.
- There are no gates on route around the gardens.
- Benches are positioned around all of our walks.
- There are steps from the cut flower border into the Walled Garden.

## Measurements Gardens

Walled garden archway (moat side) has 3 steps and is 122cm wide.

Walled garden archway (Greenhouse side) is 97cm wide with no steps.

Bridge (Vegetable garden side) is 119cm wide with a 4cm lip.

Bridge (Rhododendron side) is 131cm wide with a 4cm lip.

Bridge (outflow) 4cm step is 125cm wide with a 4cm lip.

Bridge (moat side) is 125cm wide with a 4cm lip.

Curved Bridge (Long Ditch) is 152cm with a 3cm lip, assistance needed, not suitable for wheelchair users.

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## Map

