

Conservation at Llwyn yr Helm

Llwyn yr Helm Holiday Park in North Wales is a peaceful haven in an area of outstanding beauty with a wealth of abundant wildlife including owls, wild duck, geese, birds of prey, woodpeckers, bats, Badgers, Stoats and Hedgehogs, which are regular inhabitants within the beautiful Welsh parkland.

We are dedicated to conserving the flora and fauna, providing habitats for the wildlife at Llwyn yr Helm Holiday Park, and will continue to do so into the future.

Whilst at Llwyn yr Helm Holiday Park, you are able to take a stroll around miles of paths and observe wild flowers in the woodland and meadows, spotting many varieties of wild flowers and wildlife along the way.

Recent Environmental Projects

- Coin operated meters have been installed in the shower block in order to encourage guests to take shorter showers and reduce water usage.
- Areas of the camping field have been left to grow wild to encourage wild flowers and insects .

Future Projects

- Changing all lighting throughout the park to low energy bulbs including reception building now using LEDs throughout
- New play park utilising wooden play equipment ensures low carbon footprint & supplier products are procured from sustainable European forestries – products certified with Forest Stewardship Council logo
- Bat boxes and bird boxes to be installed throughout park

Environmental Statement

Llwyn yr Helm Holiday Park is committed to leading its business in minimising the impact of its activities on the environment. We are constantly looking for ideas to improve our practises and activities in a green way. We are committed to raising awareness of environmental issues with our staff, caravan owners and visitors to the park.

We are dedicated in providing our customers with a holiday of high quality while supporting our local community and preserving our beautiful surroundings for the prosperity and enjoyment of future generations.

Environmental Policy

Customer satisfaction is our priority therefore we will endeavour to ensure our customers have an enjoyable holiday with us while protecting our natural environment. Following are the measures we adopt for a more sustainable approach:

1. Waste Management 'Reduce, Reuse, Recycle'

Waste management is the collection, transport, processing or disposal, managing and monitoring of waste materials.

- We have a recycling area on-site for glass (green, brown and clear), cardboard, paper, cans & plastic so the materials from which the items are made can be reprocessed into new products
- Customers staying on our holiday park will find a recycling notice in all of our bin compounds encouraging them to use our main recycle point and to reduce the amount of waste produced
- Staffs reuse scrap paper sheets instead of rubbishing them
- Staffs refill the cleaning bottles of detergents instead of buying new ones

2. Energy/Water Conservation

Energy / water conservation refers to efforts made to reduce energy / water consumption by several means including physical action, behavioural change, device, technology, or improved design or process implemented to reduce the usage of energy / water and recycling of waste water.

- Our toilet block lights have light detecting devices
- The lighting in toilet cubicles has movement sensors
- All toilets operate with economical flushes
- All sinks have push taps to avoid running water
- Water from the stream is used to water our plants.

3. Thoughtful Purchasing

Operate a thoughtful purchasing by selecting wherever practical, materials and services which are less damaging to the environment and by being thoughtful and mindful of what you're purchasing, where it comes from, and who's behind it.

- We use eco-friendly detergents (floor washing liquid)
- We promote local businesses such as restaurants & pubs in our information room
- We buy in bulk (supply for shop, toilet paper...) so we can refill empty containers, and avoid too many packaging

4. Transport

Road transport is one of the biggest sources of pollution contributing to poor air quality, climate change, congestion and noise disturbance. We actively promote walking and cycling to reduce the impact of transport operations on the environment.

- We employ staffs that live within the local area or live onsite
- We actively encourage our staff to walk around the park
- We provide information about local walking and cycling trails

5. Natural & Cultural Heritage

Natural heritage is the legacy of natural objects and intangible attributes encompassing the countryside and natural environment, including flora and fauna.

Cultural heritage is the legacy of physical artefacts (cultural property) and intangible attributes of a group or society that are inherited from past generations, maintained in the present and bestowed for the benefit of future generations.

- We leave areas of long grass to encourage native species of insects for breeding and their natural habitat
- We leave wood, branches and tree stumps to rot for animals to make their habitat
- We have a large wildflower meadow for plant natural species and wildflowers
- There are number of bird boxes around the park, providing nesting or feeding areas
- We feed birds in the cold winter months
- We minimize the use of chemicals for weed control
- We use locally sourced timber for constructions, local stone & slate and use local tradesman

How Can You Help Us?

Water Conservation & Pollution Prevention

- Use chemicals that are formaldehyde free in your caravan/motorhome/RV waste holding tank
- Do not pour oils and fatty liquids down the sink or in waterways
- Conserve water and always use a plug in the sink or bucket at campsites when washing dishes
- Use phosphate free washing detergents (detergents labelled NP)
- Take shorter showers (4 minutes or less)
- Report leaky taps and showers to staff
- Don't leave the tap running unnecessarily

Reduce Waste

- Think before you buy – choose products that have less packaging, are made from recycled materials, can be recycled and do not contain harmful chemicals
- Use your own reusable shopping bags and refuse plastic bags

- Reuse containers
- Recycle all glass and plastic bottles, metal tins and paper and cardboard
- Don't litter and dispose of waste properly
- Only fill the kettle with as much water as you need

Save Energy

- Ride a bike, walk or use the local transport to go to the shops and local attractions
- Turn off all lights and power points when you leave the caravan
- Put on a jumper before you turn on the heater
- If you need to use the air conditioner or heater, close all doors and windows and remember to turn off when leaving

Support the Local Community

- Shop at local businesses and buy local produce where possible
- Visit farmers markets, farm shops, village stores, pubs and restaurants
- Learn about the history and culture of the area
- Support local charities and community organisations. We actively support the Air Ambulance Wales, the local junior football and rugby clubs as well as local schools and nurseries.
- Use public transport, walk or ride when out and about to avoid producing emissions

Protect Flora and Fauna

- Please close all field and farm gates behind you
- When exploring around our area, please be aware of natural habitats for flora and fauna
- Keep dogs on a lead and close control
- Be considerate of other users of the countryside