

Rivermead Court Gardens

This is not a communication that gives any pleasure to write; there have been several complaints to both members of the Board and Anne Isaacs and her team about the inconsiderate behaviour of residents and their children in the gardens.

The gardens are for the use of all residents, many of whom just wish to sit and be peaceful, especially when the weather is good, some of whom may not be in the garden but have their windows open and do not want to be disturbed.

Concerns raised have included unattended children playing noisy games of football on the lawns and crashing through the flower beds. Unattended young children climbing trees, wandering along the river path, walking along the river wall, throwing the gravel (which is there to help the drainage) into the river and picking flowers.

Parents, please supervise your children who when they are in the Rivermead gardens as there are several hazards, including the river, the old flood defenses and the uneven steps and paths.

Other examples of inconsiderate behaviour include:

- Leaving litter, cigarette ends and empty bottles under and around the tables and chairs. Please take your rubbish home, there is limited capacity in the bin in the Secret Garden, which is primarily for garden refuse.
- Loud mobile phone conversations on speaker, for everyone to hear.
- If you have a Personal Trainer and are using the garden, please ensure that your session is not immediately outside other residents' windows.

This is a plea for every resident to think of the wider community and to understand the detrimental impact a lack of consideration demonstrates.

We want this to be a family friendly garden and expect parents to provide supervision and guidance to their children as necessary.

The final plea is that the driveways and basements are not play areas or spaces for riding scooters and bikes.

Thank you for your support on this topic.