

PRESS RELEASE FOR IMMEDIATE USE

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'WE'RE GOOD TO GO' AS THE ARBORETUM CAFÉ REOPENS

The Yorkshire Arboretum reopened its popular café on Friday 17th July. The Arboretum Café is now open 11am-4pm every Friday, Saturday and Sunday with a revised menu and processes in place to maintain cleanliness and social distancing. Earlier The National Tourism Organisations of Great Britain & Ireland granted the arboretum the 'We're Good to Go' COVID-19 Industry Standard mark. The mark recognises the arboretum's adherence to government and industry COVID-19 guidelines and comprehensive risk assessment – a one-way flow system is in place with clear, easy-to-follow signposting. Hand sanitiser stations are in place at the arboretum entrance, in the Visitor Centre and at the café counter.

Arboretum Director Dr John Grimshaw said: "We know how much the Arboretum Café is valued and enjoyed by so many people, and it gives us great pleasure to see it open again. We hope the 'We're Good to Go' mark and cleanliness measures ensure visitors feel confident in visiting again. The arboretum looks particularly spectacular this summer, and the café terrace is still the place to take in the views while indulging your taste buds. Our revised menu sees a great many of your old favourites returning, and our delectable homemade cakes are as good as ever!"

The Arboretum Café is open every Friday, Saturday and Sunday 11am-4pm, extending to include Mondays and Thursdays from August.

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PHOTOS

Images available by WeTransfer: https://we.tl/t-jcINTdJjlX

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

The Yorkshire Arboretum and Ray Wood are gardens of the Castle Howard Arboretum Trust, an

independent charity (registration number 1044931) established to maintain and protect these

unique collections. Founded in 1997 as a partnership between the Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew

and Castle Howard, the Trust's patron is HRH The Prince of Wales.

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