



Update from the National Trust – November 2020

Reset programme

Please see update in last Upper Kennet News November issue (attached).

Also attached is an organogram that shows the new Wiltshire Landscape portfolio structure with names.

New lockdown restrictions

Our ambition as an organisation is to keep as many of our places open where we can safely do so, and we will do our utmost to give people access to open space, nature and fresh air. If the lockdown comes into force across England, we intend to keep our outdoor spaces open (coast and countryside sites and car parks) but will close our houses, shops and holiday accommodation. We also intend to keep our gardens and parklands open with pre-booked tickets to encourage local people to enjoy open space while adhering to the Government's guidance and maintaining social distancing.

With this in mind and pending the decision in parliament on Wednesday, it is expected that our visitor offer at Avebury will look as follows from Thursday 5 November:

Staying open:

- Stone circle / countryside - dawn to dusk
- Visitor car park - 10-5pm
- Toilets in farmyard - 10-4.30pm
- Circles Restaurant with take-away only offer - 11-4pm (opening hours to be reviewed)

Closed from Thursday 5 November until Wednesday 2 December (minimum):

- NT Shop
- Cobblestones second-hand bookshop
- Stables Gallery of the Alexander Keiller Museum
- Visitor reception at the barn
- Fishlocks Holiday Cottage

Remaining closed until further notice:

- Avebury Manor and Garden
- Barn Gallery of the Alexander Keiller Museum
- Avebury Chapel
- Coach House Café and toilets

Furlough

It is likely that we'll make use of the extended furlough scheme, which means our team will be reduced again to a smaller number of people to carry out essential tasks only.

Volunteers

We are reviewing if/how volunteering can continue in some areas.