

CLEVELAND SQUARE RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

Dear Residents

With a large mix of people using the garden in different ways, it is important that everybody is familiar with the longstanding Rules of Conduct, which are designed to balance the interests of all residents and to ensure harmonious use of this communal space.

The Rules are not onerous and are, in fact, quite liberal compared with other garden squares in our area. It is therefore very important that they are upheld consistently. A copy of the rules is attached and must be countersigned and brought with you when you come to collect your new electronic key.

It is the responsibility of all residents to ensure that the square remains a peaceful, happy place in which everyone can relax and enjoy the garden.

This is a communal space but also everyone's private garden to enjoy, so please do show respect and consideration to the other garden users, the gardeners and volunteers who give their time to make the garden such a beautiful place.

Residents and committee members who challenge behaviour on the basis of the rules, and who are consequently acting on behalf of the community, must be treated with courtesy and respect. We always open to suggestions and constructive dialogue about improvements.

Use of the garden by residents is governed both by the Bye-Laws and by the Rules published by the Cleveland Square Residents' Association which can be found in the noticeboard inside the garden and on www.clevelandsquare.co.uk. Breaches of the Rules may result in the deactivation of your key at the absolute discretion of the Committee.

Please familiarise yourself with the Rules and encourage fellow residents and any guests to adhere to them at all times. We would ask you to support those who challenge behaviour that contravenes the Rules of Conduct.

PTO For Rule reminders

On behalf of CSRA
committee@clevelandsquare.co.uk

Garden Rules

No ball games are allowed. Children under 12 may play with a soft ball provided it does not disturb others.

Dogs (except guide dogs) are not allowed. Radios and amplified music are not permitted.

Bicycles are not allowed in the square, children under eight may use a bicycle in Cleveland Gardens. Bikes left in the garden may be removed and disposed of.

Children under 12 must be accompanied at all times by an adult.

BBQs are only allowed on the gravel paths - be considerate. DO NOT tip the ash into the flowerbeds. Be mindful of where the smoke may go. Never leave a hot barbecue unsupervised.

Please take your litter home with you.

Do not leave behind any personal items such as toys or BBQs - anything left in the garden may be removed and disposed of.

Groups of 15 or more people including children need prior permission from the committee. Use the application form for events on the website www.clevelandsquare.co.uk or contact events@clevelandsquare.co.uk

An event without permission will incur a fee and could jeopardise your right to a key.

Garden furniture cannot be 'reserved'. Please be considerate to other residents and do not use more furniture than you need.

Always close the gates on entering and leaving; young children may be at risk if any gate is left open - this also prevents unauthorised entry.

Please do not allow children to use the garden as a toilet. Please take your children and those of your guests to your home.

Please keep off the flowerbeds and do not pick the flowers, which are there for everyone to enjoy. Herbs and fruit may be picked in season in moderation.

Please do not let your children play with garden equipment, such as hoses and gardening tools.

Do not let children put gravel on the grass as it damages the lawnmower. No paddling pools or large garden toys are allowed.

Please keep away from the lawn mower when it is in use as stones on the lawn can fly out from it.

Please use the play equipment with common sense. It is for children only, and only in accordance with the garden rules. Children must at all times be supervised by an adult, who is responsible for ensuring that the equipment is used safely for the children involved, especially younger ones. Children who are too young to use the equipment safely or too old to use it without risk to others are not allowed to do so.

Play equipment should never be used in such a way that could cause damage or injury to another user. Equipment, is to be used for the purpose for which it was designed and must not to be used for adult gym or exercise. No ropes or exercise equipment should be attached or tied around or used in any way in conjunction with play equipment.

Any defects or damage should be reported immediately to committee@clevelandsquare.co.uk Use of the play equipment is entirely at your own risk and CSRA cannot accept liability for any injury sustained.

Children are not allowed to play in the compost and adjacent area.

Access to the garden shed is limited to the committee and the gardeners.

Garden tools and equipment are only to be used by authorised people and by children only when supervised by adults.

Use, including photography, of the gardens for commercial or professional purposes is only permitted with the prior agreement of the Committee and may incur a fee.

We would remind residents that key-holders are responsible for the behaviour of their guests. This includes children of all ages.

Please be considerate to residents who want to relax in peace and quiet.

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