



## **Important Information for your visit**

<b>Activity Hut</b>	A wide selection of activity equipment is available in the Activity Hut. You will find this on the car park by the Lodge and are welcome to use any of the equipment in there. There is also a very informative notice board by the Warden's Cabin.
<b>Address</b>	The address for Pettypool Activity Centre is: Girlguiding Cheshire Forest, Pettypool Activity Centre, Pool Lane, Sandiway, Cheshire CW8 2DR. This can be used for mail from home and for online grocery shopping orders.
<b>Adventure Courses</b> (Adult supervision)	Adventure Courses are located between Badger and Greenhouse sites and adjacent to Jubilee Green. These are for use with adult supervision only. <b>Please follow the safety guidelines when using equipment.</b> Only 4 on the scramble net at one time.
<b>Aerial runway</b> (Adult supervision)	Please ensure adult supervision at both ends of the runway. Not recommended for use by children under 4 years. <b>Please follow the safety guidelines when using the equipment.</b>
<b>Archery</b>	Taster archery sessions available, please contact the Site Booking Secretary to enquire - <a href="mailto:booksite@pettypool.org">booksite@pettypool.org</a> It is also possible to hire the Pettypool equipment if you have your own instructor - please contact as above. A risk assessment is available.
<b>Arrival/Departure</b>	Please arrange your arrival/departure time via the relevant booking secretary.
<b>Barbeque</b>	A permanent brick-built barbeque is available for use on Olave Field as well as on Jubilee Green outside the Lodge. Please bring your own fuel and utensils. If using a disposable BBQ, please ensure it is placed on one of the many concrete bases around the site rather than directly on the grass or wooden benches. A mobile BBQ is also available for use on sites.
<b>Bird Hide</b>	A wooden building looking onto a small conservation area. It is equipped with charts and reference books and is suitable for use as a study centre (seating and workbench for small groups). Binoculars are also available in the hide.
<b>Buses</b>	Local buses go to Northwich and Chester hourly from the main road to the left of the entrance. These are sometimes small vehicles so you are advised to check with the bus company as to their size and availability.
<b>Campfire Circle</b>	Banked area with seats, altar base and fire bucket. Collect your own wood and ensure that the embers are safe before leaving. Remove cold ash to the bin provided. Please liaise with other units on site if you wish to use the Campfire Circle.
<b>Cars</b>	When the site is busy, there will be blackboards indicating where you should park when you arrive at Pettypool. Car parking spaces are available outside the Lodge for Lodge users and close to each site for leaders using campsites, this includes an area by Olave Field. All other vehicles must be parked in the Lodge car park AWAY from the building. Vehicles carrying equipment may be brought close to the campsites but must not be driven on them. <b>The leader of each group is responsible for parking parent's cars on arrival and departure and should designate a responsible adult to undertake this task (high-vis jackets are available in the Warden's Cabin). Please ensure parents follow the one-way system. There is a speed limit of 5mph throughout the site.</b> <b><u>IMPORTANT NOTE:</u></b> The lane to the site is a private driveway and not a road. It therefore has no skid protection built in. The speed limit of 15mph is the MAXIMUM speed that may be safely driven on its surface. The driveway is single lane with passing places. Advise drivers not to mount the grass verges as there are underground water

	<p>pipes and cables just below the surface.</p> <p>Neither Girlguiding UK, Girlguiding Cheshire Forest nor The Petty Pool Trust accepts any responsibility for accidents or incidents occurring on this private driveway.</p> <p>It is your responsibility to ensure that all drivers to the site are aware of the above information.</p>
<b>Clatter Bridge</b>	A purpose built wooden bridge in the valley between the Chapel and the Bird Hide. <b>Please follow the safety guidelines when using equipment.</b>
<b>Coaches</b>	Coaches may be used, please notify on your booking form. No double-decker buses due to low trees, thank you.
<b>Dormitory</b> (Lodge)	Please remember everyone will need to bring their own bottom sheet, pillowcase and sleeping bag or duvet.
<b>Emergencies</b>	Details of the local healthcare providers and hospitals are located on the notice board above the telephone in the Lodge hallway as well on each campsite and in the Warden's Cabin.
<b>Equipment</b> (Camp)	A small amount of camp equipment is available to hire. For further information regarding costs and bookings please contact <a href="mailto:equipment@pettypool.org">equipment@pettypool.org</a>
<b>Fires</b>	<p>Altar fires are available on each site. Ashbins and fire buckets are also provided. Metal sheets etc. are available for patrol cooking, please request on booking. Day and evening visitors must collect their own wood. Wood stores are for campers only.</p> <p>Lodge users - if you wish to light fires, please make sure you have booked a campsite <a href="mailto:booksite@pettypool.org">booksite@pettypool.org</a> Fires may only be built on a concrete base, never on the grass or in the woodland.</p>
<b>First Aid</b>	Please bring your own First Aid kit. Boxes for emergency use can be found in the Lodge and Warden's Cabin.
<b>Fridge and small freezer</b> (Camp)	Situated in the Warden's Cabin. Please label food if more than one Unit is on site. There is also a fridge for Ranger Den users.
<b>Fridge and small freezer</b> (Lodge)	Situated in the lodge kitchen.
<b>Grease Traps</b> (Camp)	Please use at the edge of your site and be aware of our resident crows!!
<b>Insect Repellent</b>	Please be aware that during the summer months, in certain weather conditions, insect repellent may be needed.
<b>Keys</b>	Cheshire Forest Units should obtain keys (main gate and Warden's Office) from their Division. If these are not available contact <a href="mailto:info@pettypool.org">info@pettypool.org</a> to make alternative arrangements. Please return after use.
<b>Location</b>	<p>The entrance to the site is through a wooden gate at the top of Pool Lane. Do not take the left fork.</p> <p>OS Map 118 Grid Reference 611703 Postcode CW8 2DR</p> <p>Pool Lane is off the A556 (Chester Road, Sandiway), opposite the Blue Cap (Premier Travel Inn), turn after speed cameras. Please follow these directions, not Sat Nav.</p>
<b>Notices</b>	There are notices posted drawing your attention to safety issues. While we try to keep these to a minimum, they have been issued for good reason.
<b>Olave Field</b>	<p>A large activity field available to all, please liaise with other site users. Evening and day visitors can also book the field. Archery takes places on this field and will therefore not be available at certain times, if you would like to use Olave field at a specific time please contact Site Booking Secretary <a href="mailto:booksite@pettypool.org">booksite@pettypool.org</a></p> <p>When an archery session is in progress, please observe safety notices and do not go onto Olave Field.</p>
<b>Rainbow Ark</b>	A large open-sided shelter in a fenced off area built for Rainbows but can be booked by other groups. Sports equipment for Rainbow units to use is available in the small play house at the side of the Ark.

<b>Risk Assessment</b>	The site and lodge risk assessments are available on request. Leaders will need to carry out risk assessments for their own activities. A specific risk assessment is provided for any units wishing to book archery.
<b>Rubbish</b>	There are no litterbins on site. All rubbish should be burned if possible or taken home. There are incinerators for burning rubbish on each campsite and outside the Lodge. A wheelie bin <b>FOR LODGE USERS ONLY</b> is available outside the Main Gate for non-burnable rubbish. Please ensure the lid is firmly closed due to squirrels!! Recycling boxes for washed glass, tins, cardboard and plastic bottles are available on each site and the Lodge. Please be aware of our resident crows!! It is not advisable to leave bags of rubbish in the open. Out of County units will be given assistance with rubbish removal if necessary.
<b>Security</b>	Our outer boundary is marked by a secure fence. The inner fence marks the boundary between the campsites and the wild wood. Please keep the main gate to the site closed at all times.
<b>Shelter</b>	A large dry shelter is situated on Greenhouse Site and is available to those booking Butler and Greenhouse (additional charge). It may be booked separately if these sites are not in use. Shelters on Badger and Lookout are part of the sites.
<b>Shop</b>	Run by volunteers, the shop is open Saturday 10.00 - 12 noon, Tuesdays and Thursdays 6.30 - 7.45pm or by special arrangement <a href="mailto:info@pettypool.org">info@pettypool.org</a> The shop sells Pettypool souvenirs together with Girlguiding UK gifts, souvenirs, publications and uniform.
<b>Shops</b>	A full range of good local shops including a SPAR is close by. Larger stores are found in Northwich, Winsford and Weaverham (3 miles) .Tesco, Asda and Sainsbury home shopping deliver to the site.
<b>Showers</b>	Showers are available in the Lodge and in both toilet blocks for campers.
<b>Site map</b>	Available from Lodge or Site Booking Secretary.
<b>Telephone</b>	A phone is available for Leader use in the Lodge and Warden's Cabin. Please leave a small contribution to the cost of you call in the box. Tel No: 01606 883365. Please note mobile phone reception is not to be relied on at the site. Signal strength is very variable in the local area.02 appears to be the strongest network at present.
<b>Toilets</b>	Flush toilets and hand basins are available for all users. Campers and lodge residents need to bring their own toilet paper. Cleaning fluid for toilets is provided. Bleach must not be used anywhere on site. Gents toilets are available at the back of the Lodge.
<b>Trains</b>	Trains run hourly to Chester, Manchester and Northwich from Cuddington Station. The station is about a 30 min walk with a group.
<b>Water</b>	Please use thoughtfully as it is metered. All taps on site provide drinking water.
<b>Wi-Fi</b>	This is available in the Lodge and outside the building near the County Office - this is situated at the far end of the activity room of the Lodge. The code to access Wi-Fi is displayed in the Lodge.
<b>Wood</b>	Day and evening visitors must collect their own wood from around the site. Wood shelters are available on all sites <b>FOR CAMPER'S USE ONLY</b> . These should be refilled before leaving. Wood is readily available but please make sure you do not remove path edgings.