

Acorn House Veterinary Hospital

Traffic Management Plan

Linnet Way

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1 Introduction

This document has been prepared to inform clients, staff and others who come to the site including visitors (both pedestrian and people in vehicles), about site rules concerning pedestrian and vehicle separation.

Acorn House takes the health and safety of all site users very seriously. It is therefore imperative that individuals take care and exercise caution when on site or within the vicinity and follow instructions to avoid risk of injury. If there are any concerns about traffic safety, they should be reported to the management team.

We urge all site users to read this document carefully and act in accordance with the instructions contained therein.

This document will be reviewed every year.

2. Layout/Access

A. Wide View





3. Environment



Acorn House is situated on Linnet way and is set back from the roadside. It has a large frontage and off-road parking for clients visitors and staff. Acorn

House provides secure cycle parking for both clients and staff.

There are walls and fencing around the perimeter. The client car park is situated at the front of the building. The staff car park is situated towards the rear on the left-hand side of the building. The surrounding area is mainly residential and consists of detached and semi-detached buildings. All Nations Church neighbours the property on the left-hand side.

4. Pedestrians

There is a pavement which runs along Linnet Way, which contains the entrance to Acorn House Vets. Once pedestrians have entered the site, they are able to move across the car park toward the main entrance.

As Acorn House only has one entrance to the site, vehicle and pedestrian routes cannot be separated.

5. Staff

The staff car park is situated to the rear on the left-hand side of the building. The car park does not have any marked spaces. Drivers should always proceed slowly within the car park. Drivers must bear in mind the access for clients crosses the staff parking area. Staff are expected to act responsibly when parking and accessing Acorn House. If staff are aware of unauthorised use of the car park they should report this to management.

6. Clients and visitors

Clients and visitors can park in the Acorn House Client car park. There are 10 marked bays for cars one disabled car bay and 1 Keep Clear Bay. The car park is often busy, and clients and visitors are asked not to park in the middle or in a way that blocks the site entrance.

Visitors are asked to sign in via the main entrance at reception. On departure visitors must sign out the same way they came in and leave via the main entrance. If visitors require any advice on access or parking before their visit they can call Acorn House on 01234 261839.

7. Servicing/Deliveries

Delivery drivers enter via the main entrance and will need to park towards the front entrance of the building. They should come to the main entrance, once delivered they will leave via the same the route. Drivers of service vehicles are permitted to use the staff car park but should still report to the main entrance to advise of the nature of the visit and gain clarity on whether they have parked appropriately.

Supermarket deliveries usually happen on a Thursday or Friday, the delivery driver will park the vehicle close to the main entrance.

10. Disabled Access

Disabled access to the site is by the main entrance to the building. There is a marked disabled bay in the client/visitor car park.

11. Gritting/salting and snow clearance

During freezing conditions, salt is placed by staff on the pedestrian ramp to the main entrance and around the car park. Staff do not do any snow clearance, and depending on the severity of the snowfall, a decision on the feasibility of the service during this period would be made.

12. Management Practice and Guidance

a. Supervision

The car park remains unsupervised at all times and one's safety and those they care for is their own responsibility.

b. Monitoring of Compliance.

Management will carry out a review of the traffic plan every year.

c. Non compliance

Where any issues or risks become apparent, the plan may be reviewed and updated earlier