

ACCESSIBILITY STATEMENT FOR PICKFORD'S HOUSE MUSEUM

INTRODUCTION

Situated in the heart of Derby's Friar Gate conservation area, Pickford's House Museum is an elegant Grade 1 listed Georgian four-storey town house built by the prominent architect Joseph Pickford in 1770 for his own family.

Today this award-winning museum shows the accommodation of a late Georgian professional, and has a lively programme of exhibitions and events. We look forward to welcoming you.

If you have any queries or require any assistance please phone 01332 715181 or email info@derbymuseums.org

PRE-ARRIVAL

- For full details on how to reach us, please see the visit section of our website or telephone 01332 641901.
- The nearest railway station is Derby, which is 1.3 miles (a 30 minute walk) away. Taxis are available at the station.
- There are frequent and regular bus services into the city centre, operated by Trent Barton and Arriva. The bus station is a 15 minute walk away.
- Taxis service from the museum can be arranged by staff on request.
- The main road outside Pickford's House has a wide paved path.

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CAR PARKING AND ARRIVAL

Pickford's House has free onsite car parking at the rear of the building (Agard Street). The Sat Nav directions for Agard Street are DE1 1DZ.

The car park access width is restricted. Please phone for details if you have a large vehicle.

Our car park and gardens have level access (gravel surface).

Both car park and gardens are suitable for non-motorized wheelchairs.

There is pay and display parking on Friar Gate (steps up to the pavement from the road)

There is ramped / level access to gardens car park and museum lower and ground floor only

Support/Guide Dogs are welcomed

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MAIN ENTRANCE AND RECEPTION

There is a doorbell at the entrance door on the ramp if assistance is required.

The main entrance door is manual and opens outwards.

Immediately on entering there is a sunken coir mat.

The entrance doorway and hall are suitable for wheelchairs and the main flooring is marble stone.

Entry is free of charge.

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Displays and Exhibits

On the lower ground floor the kitchen and laundry have been reconstructed, together with a cellar and pantry, so that visitors can get an idea of what life was like for the servants working below stairs in Georgian times. One of the cellars is equipped as an air-raid shelter of the 1940s. The ground floor is furnished as it might have been in Joseph Pickford's time together with dining room, drawing room and morning room. A Georgian bedroom and dressing room have been recreated on the first floor. The upper floor features a servant's bedroom, complete with straw mattress, and a gallery of toy theatres.

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PUBLIC TOILETS

Pickford's House is an historic building and adaptations have been made to give wheelchair users access to the ground floor and basement. Unfortunately there is no toilet on these floors and no wheelchair access to the first and second floors.

There are two public bathrooms available for use situated off the main staircase, both are unisex. One on the first floor landing and one on the second floor landing. The first is a 1930s bathroom with period fittings and linoleum flooring. The second is an Edwardian bathroom with period fittings and linoleum flooring, and includes a step of around 200mm to access the sink and toilet.

Baby changing facilities are available in the Edwardian bathroom on the second floor.

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SHOP

The shop is located on the lower ground floor of Pickford's House in The Brewhouse.

This is accessed from inside the building via through the kitchen and laundry room. For wheelchair users or anyone unable to use the stairs to the lower ground floor, a side door from the garden enables level access to this area.

The floor is uneven as it is the original flag stones.

The area is permanently staffed during opening hours, so full assistance is available.

The shop/reception area is 19m square and all goods are displayed on shelving units fixed to the wall and on a central unit.

The room is lit by spot lights on a track and there is also a small window above the till area.

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GROUNDS AND GARDENS

Surfaces for the car park and the Georgian garden path are flat Breedon gravel, with no steps.

The surface in the side garden is slightly sloped, leading from the car park up to the ramped entrance to the building. Part Breedon gravel, part flagstone. This pathway narrows at one point to 740mm.

Gardens and entrance ramp are halogen floodlight (on timers)

The car park is not lit.

Benches are situated in both gardens.

There is no WC available outside.

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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Full details of our evacuation procedures can be obtained by contacting the museum.

All staff are trained in fire evacuation procedures.

All service dogs are welcome, water available.

A fridge is available upon arrival for medications etc.

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Hours Of Operation: Tuesday – Saturday – 10am to 5pm. Sundays – Closed. Please phone for Christmas and New Year opening times

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Local Public Transport: Derby's position at the heart of the country means it has excellent road, rail and air links. The city is just one hour and 40 minutes by rail from London, and trains from Derby can also take you as far north as Edinburgh and as far south as Devon. East Midlands Airport is 15 minutes' drive away from the city centre, and has flights to Europe and beyond. Road links are also good around the city, with the A52, A50, A6 and A38 running through Derby and junctions 24 and 25 of the M1 just 15 minutes' drive away. Derby City Council work in partnership with local bus companies, including Trent Barton and Arriva, to make sure public transport to and from the city is co-ordinated and to encourage people to travel by bus or rail instead of by car. Trent Barton: opening hours are 8am to 7pm Monday to Friday & 8am to 12pm on Saturday, they can be contacted by telephone on 01773 712265. Arriva: 0344 800 44 11

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