# ACCESS STATEMENT FOR GOODERSTONE WATER GARDENS.

#### Introduction

A six and a half acre water garden, with 8 acre nature trail, wheelchair accessible bird hide, a tearoom with ramp and wide door and a toilet for disabled people. It would be difficult for wheelchairs to access nature trail.

#### Pre-Arrival

\* For information 'phone 01603 712913 or 07730 551945

email: hoyoscoral2@g.mail.com

website: www.gooderstonewatergardens.co.uk

\* Nearest town: Swaffham, 7 miles

\* Nearest Railway Station; Downham Market. 12 miles

### Arrival and Car Parking Facilities

\* Car parking is available at no charge.

\* There are five designated spaces for disabled people.

\* A large area of the remaining car park also has a tarmac surface.

# Main Entrance and Reception

Opening times Garden - daily all year 10.30 am. - 5.00 pm (last admission 4.00 pm)

Tearoom - daily Easter to October, 11.00 am. - 4.00 pm.

May not be open if weather bad, please check Tel. 01366 328118/007.

#### **Public Areas**

- \* Toilets are in the south-east corner of the garden near the tearoom, approximately 175 yards from entrance.
- \* There is a toilet for disabled people, with ramp, raised seat and support rail.

\* There is a hard path leading to toilets.

# Restaurant / Dining, Bar & Lounges, Take Away & Cafe

- \* The tearoom is spacious and well lit with a ramp for wheelchair access and wide doorway.
- \* The path to the Tearoom is a hard path.
- \* The seating is moveable.
- \* Coffee, tea and soft drinks, icecreams and a good selection of home cakes and snacks are offered.
- \* Sandwiches are sometimes available.

It is counter service but assistance is willingly given.

- \* There is also some outside seating.
  - \* Main meals are not served but can be obtained at local public houses.
  - \* WC s are only a few yards from the tearoom.
  - \* There is a ramp for wheelchair access and a wide dooorway.

\* Shop. Not available.

#### Outdoor facilities.

- \* A beautiful garden with mature trees and shrubs, colourful borders, four ponds, and waterways spanned by 13 bridges, can be viewed from flat grassy paths. Lots of benches provided.
- \* The Bird hide can be accessed via a boardwalk and there is a viewing window for wheelchair users.

# Conference & Meeting Rooms, Banqueting, Clubs, Entertainment

\* Not available.

#### Grounds and Gardens

- \* Most of the garden is flat terrain.
- \* Two hard paths lead into the garden. Other paths are short mown grass.
- \* There are several benches to rest on.
- \* There are two sets of steps, with hand rails to access a small raised area where The roundhouse stands, also a hard path leads up for wheelchair access.
- \* A boardwalk allows wheelchair access to the bird hide, which has a low viewing window for wheelchair users.
- \* The paths around the Wildlife Area are flat but probably too damp and rough for the average wheelchair.

#### Additional Information

- \* Dogs on leads are allowed.
- \* Picnicing is allowed anywhere in the garden except outside the tearoom.

#### **Contact Information**

- \* Address: The Street, Gooderstone, King's Lynn, PE33 9BP.
- \* Postal Address: c/o Sunny Cottage, Lingwood, Norwich, NR13 4HG.
- \* Property Address: Gooderstone Water Gardens, The Street, Gooderstone, PE33 9BP
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- \* Website: www.gooderstonewatergardens.co.uk
- \* Grid reference: TF 766 023
- \* Hours of operation: 10.30 am 5.00 pm (or dusk if sooner)
- \* Emergency Number: 999. Non emergency medical 111, Non emergency police 101 For local doctors: 01760 721211 or 01760 722797.
- \* Local accessible Taxi numbers: Mascot Coaches, Swaffham 01760 720111.

#### Future Plans -

We welcome your Feedback to help continuously improve.