

Applewood Countryside Park is committed to making Halloween Spooktacular a safe and enjoyable experience for all guests.

Parking & Arrival

- Enter the Banham Zoo car park and follow the entry route left all the way down to the end. Easter Spring Fling takes place at Orchard Barn and will be clearly signed from the main road (Kenninghall Road, B1113) through the car park to the event entrance.
- The main approach to the event car park is via a tarmac road, followed by grass parking areas with loose gravel pathways. These surfaces are suitable for pushchairs, wheelchairs and mobility scooters but may be uneven in places.
- Accessible parking spaces are available close to the event entrance.

Grounds & Surfaces

- The event takes place both undercover (Orchard Barn) and outdoors (Friendly Frights Walk, Wicked Haunts Trail, bonfire and fireworks).
- Orchard Barn is fully step-free and has a flat, smooth concrete surface throughout, making it accessible for wheelchairs, mobility scooters and pushchairs.
- Outdoor areas include grass meadow spaces and a woodland trail with bark chippings. These surfaces may become soft or uneven in wet weather, which could make access more challenging for pushchairs and wheelchair users.
- Guests using mobility equipment or pushchairs are strongly advised to consider off-road capability, and sturdy footwear or wellies are recommended for outdoor activities.
- Some areas are lit with atmospheric lighting to enhance the Halloween experience. While we aim to keep pathways visible, there may be sections with lower light levels, therefore guests may wish to bring a small torch for additional visibility.

Spooky Walks

- We have a choice of spooky walks with 1 x entry per person to either the Friendly Frights Walk or Wicked Haunts Trail included in the ticket price.
- The Friendly Frights Walk is designed with younger guests and more cautious visitors in mind. Expect a fun, spooky atmosphere with plenty of surprises, but nothing too intense – perfect for families and first-time Halloween adventurers.
- The Wicked Haunts Walk offers a darker, more thrilling experience with stronger scares, atmospheric lighting and a more intense Halloween feel. This walk is best suited to older children, teens and adults who enjoy a good fright. If you're unsure, we recommend choosing the option that feels most comfortable for you and your group.
- Both walks will feature live actors, theming, props, décor, lighting and sound effects/music of a Halloween nature.

Facilities

- An accessible toilet for wheelchair users and those requiring additional space or support will be available. Access is via a RADAR key, please speak to a member of staff for assistance.

- Baby changing facilities are also available, please ask a member of the team for access.

Seating & Rest Areas

- Undercover picnic-style bench seating and straw bales will be available throughout the event for rest breaks.

Sensory Considerations

- This event features flashing lights, loud sound effects, fake blood, and Halloween themed decorations which may be unsettling for some guests.
- Fireworks are low noise and set to music but may still include sudden bangs – headphones may be useful for those with sound sensitivities.
- There will be a children's disco and a live band throughout the evening, so again headphones may be useful for those with sound sensitivities.
- Quieter areas are available for guests who wish to take a break from sensory stimulation.

Assistance Animals

- Due to the nature of this event it is not suitable for dogs (registered assistance dogs are exempt). Please be aware that while fireworks are low noise and set to music, they may still include sudden bangs.

Staff Support

- Event staff will be easily identifiable in high-visibility vests and are happy to help with directions, accessibility queries or any assistance needed during your visit.

Further Support

If you have specific accessibility requirements or would like to discuss your visit in more detail, please contact us in advance so we can help you plan your visit:

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