

Visiting Times and Prices

Larkrise Community Farm is open for individual visitors Monday to Friday, 10am to 3pm. We also accept pre-arranged group visits from nurseries, schools and care homes. Birthday parties can also be held at the farm.

Prices depend upon precise requirements. Please use the contact form on our website; contact us via our Facebook page; or ring/email the farm direct for more details.

Volunteering & Sponsorship

Larkrise Community Farm is always looking for help and support. This may be financial assistance, through sponsorship or donations or as a volunteer.

If you are 21 years or over and interested in volunteering in any capacity on the farm or with our RDA Group, please contact Wendy on manager@larkrisefarm.org.uk.

All volunteers are required to have an Enhanced Child and Adult Workforce DBS check prior to starting work at the farm.

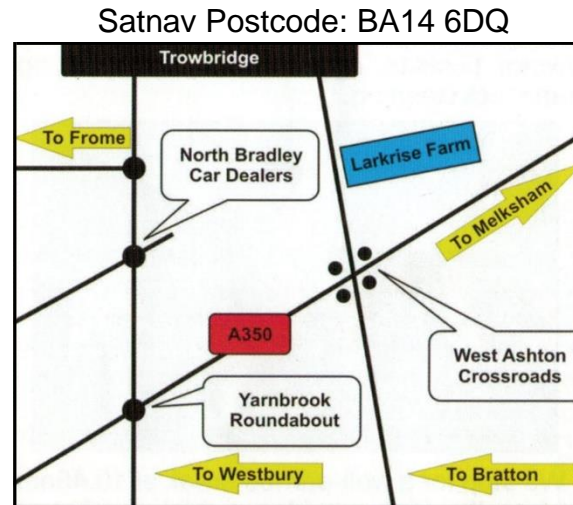
Sponsor an Animal

You can sponsor an animal from Larkrise Community Farm by simply downloading a form from our website.

In general, you can sponsor an animal for a period of one year costing as little as £10, for some of the smaller animals (Band C), e.g. guinea pigs/rabbits, rising to £15 (Band B) e.g. goats and £25 per year for some of the larger animals (Band A), e.g. horses, ponies.

Each sponsor will receive a 6 monthly report and a certificate and picture of your sponsored animal.

How to Find Us



If you travel by bus or train; go to Trowbridge and come by taxi, there are no buses going past Larkrise and the farm is about one mile out of town off a very busy road with no footpath.

By car from the centre of Trowbridge: heading east, turn off County Way (inner ring road) at the Ashton Mill roundabout onto West Ashton Road (signposted to West Ashton). Continue out into open countryside; the farm is about 1 mile down the road on the left-hand side.

From the M4 motorway: take Junction 17 (signposted to Poole). Follow the A350 south for approximately 15 miles until you reach the West Ashton traffic lights. Turn right towards Trowbridge, the Farm is about ¼ mile down the hill on your right.

From the south: follow the A350 towards Chippenham and the M4. When you reach West Ashton traffic lights, turn left towards Trowbridge; the farm is ¼ mile down the hill on your right.



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Registered Charity Number: 1070688

Farm Manager: Wendy Self



Opening Times for Visitors

Monday - Friday: 10.00am - 3.00pm

Weekends: By appointment

Prices:

Adults: £3

Children: £2

Welcome to Larkrise Community Farm

We are a user friendly, hands-on community farm that is run as a charity. Our objectives are:

"To advance education and provide facilities for recreation and other leisure-time occupation based around it for those who have need of such facilities by reason of their youth, age, infirmity or disablement, poverty or social and economic circumstances."



Larkrise Community Farm was set up in 1987, in association with Larkrise Special School in Trowbridge. It became a separate entity in 1999 and is now run by a Board of Trustees as a Charitable organisation. It was officially opened at the present site in March 2006 by HRH the Countess of Wessex.

There are currently seven Trustees including the Chair, Rosie Fell, with expertise in agriculture, business and finance, special needs, Health & Safety and administration.

The farm is staffed by two full-time and 8 part time employees led by The Farm Manager, Wendy Self. We also have many volunteers, on whom we depend, especially for the RDA.

Educational Work Placements

As well as fundraising and donations, our income is generated by full or half-day educational work placements. We mainly work with Education Authorities helping coach children back into learning, as well as with adults with additional needs, referred to us by Wiltshire Council.

Students attend Monday to Friday and are aged anywhere between 7 – 65 years. They learn social and life skills within an animal-based environment. Working with our animals and other students helps improve self-esteem and confidence, reduce anxiety and achieve a sense of importance.

Students are supported either by our own skilled support staff or by their external support. Prices vary according to requirements. For more information, please contact our Education Coordinator on education@larkrisefarm.org.uk



Riding for the Disabled & Carriage Driving

Larkrise Community Farm in Trowbridge is proud to be the registered home to the Larkrise/Hampsley RDA (Riding for the Disabled) Group.

The original Larkrise RDA Group set up in 2012 by Wendy Self merged in 2018 with the Hampsley Hollow and Lacock RDA Group. The new group, known as Larkrise/Hampsley, is based at Larkrise Farm. We have our own premises and resident horses and ponies of varying sizes, which means we can accommodate a wide range of riders.

Our friendly, highly skilled team of RDA instructors, staff and volunteers help children and adults with disabilities enjoy the multi-sensory experience of horse riding and carriage driving. For more information contact Wendy on manager@larkrisefarm.org.uk.