

DEPART

May 2017

Dear Resident,

As you may know, Circa's acclaimed and sold out production of *DEPART* will be held at General Cemetery from 18th - 21st May this year as part of Hull UK City of Culture 2017. We wanted to let you know in advance what the event involves. You will find enclosed a flyer from the creators of the show with information about what to expect.

The production will arrive at General Cemetery to prepare for the event on 12th May. We expect disruption to be minimal.

In order to clean and secure the site a temporary fence will be erected along the Spring Bank West border of the site. An entrance gate will exist in the fence on Spring Bank West at the same level as the Thoresby Primary School access point to the cemetery. The Cemetery will be closed for ticketholders only during rehearsal evenings of 16th and 17th May and the event dates of 18th - 21st May from 5pm to 12am at latest. Security will be present protecting the site and the school 24 hours a day.

During the event dates ALL ticketholders will be instructed that parking in the area is NOT available. The performances are for a small limited capacity audience of 250 people per night. They will be instructed of all available public transport routes to the area.

Performances are only a little over 1 hour in duration from 9.15pm each evening, and at 7.15pm on 20th May. We are not expecting disruption by noise or effects to be significant and well within acceptable limits.

General Cemetery is a disused cemetery, unlike the adjacent Western Cemetery which is not being used for this event. The production is developed to respond sensitively and specifically to such a site and will treat this beautiful place, and especially the graves, gravestones and memorial stones, with the greatest respect. The company will not be performing on the gravestones and we will take every possible measure to ensure that neither the company, nor our audiences, cause any damage. We are working closely with The Friends of General Cemetery to ensure that not only do we take care of the cemetery and preserve its history and heritage, but enhance it. The event has been rigorously assessed and granted a licence by Hull City Council.

We hope that this does not cause you any inconvenience and if you require any further information, please contact us at: theteam@hull2017.co.uk

Yours sincerely

The Team

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