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## Visit Us

Scaplen's Court is a Grade I listed medieval building dating back to the 1300s.

The building we see today is mainly a courtyard inn built in the 1500s and 1600s. The inn was called The George, and graffiti made by Parliamentarian soldiers who were lodging here in the 1630s can be seen carved into one of the stone fireplaces.

Adjoining Scaplen's Court is a delightful walled garden providing an oasis of colour and tranquility. Originally designed by George Dillistone in 1930, it was restored by volunteers in 2000 as a herb and physic garden.

The garden and house opening will be supported by volunteer stewards. If you would like to know how you can get involved, email us at [culturevolunteers@bcpcouncil.gov.uk](mailto:culturevolunteers@bcpcouncil.gov.uk)

## Scaplen's Court & Garden opening hours 2021

Scaplen's Court and Garden will be open everyday 10am - 4pm (where possible). Please check for closures, before making your journey.

### FREE ENTRY

**\*Please note that Scaplen's Court will be closed for private hires and educational visits on the following dates:**

20th August from 1.30pm, 21st August, 27th August from 1.30pm, 28th August, 10th September from 1.30pm, 11th September.

### FAQs



Here you'll find answers to our visitors' most frequently asked questions.



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### When you arrive at Scaplen's Court

There will be a separate entrance and exit clearly signposted. If a number of visitors arrive at the same time we will ask you to please queue briefly, using the socially distanced floor markings in front of the building.

### Entering the Building

Please follow the signage and wait for a member of our team to greet you. In accordance with the governments 'NHS Test and Trace' scheme our friendly team will take your details upon entry. You will be advised on our one-way system and social distancing measures, and your visit can begin!

Hand sanitiser will be available as you enter if you don't have any with you.

### Our Staff are here to help

Don't hesitate to talk to a member of staff if you have any questions or feedback. They might be wearing PPE – each member of staff has the option to wear this if they wish to. You will notice that we have installed a protective screen at the reception desk.

### Social Distancing

Please help everyone feel comfortable by keeping socially distanced from others.

Keep an eye out for signs and floor markings reminding everyone to give each other the space they need. We also ask families to keep children with you throughout your visit.

### One-way system

There will be a one-way route around the building. Please follow any signs or guidance from the staff.

### Facilities

Ground floor toilet facilities will be available.

### Donations

For those visitors that would like to donate to the [Poole Museum Foundation](#) there are contactless donation points and cash donation boxes around Scaplen's Court.

### Exiting Scaplen's Court

To help with visitor flow and social distancing we are directing all visitors to exit via our garden gate, following the alleyway at the side of Scaplen's Court to return back onto Sarum Street.



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