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MANOR ROYAL PUBLIC SCULPTURES

Using your ideas to inspire our place

Share your stories, poems, pictures, drawings

About the project

The Manor Royal BID is working with sculptor Andrew Mckeown and Allen Scott Landscape Architects to transform Woolborough Lane into a linear park and enhance Crawter's Brook by creating a "Lost Woodland Gallery", inspired by Manor Royal's unique history, industry and your ideas about the business district and its future.

Eventually these areas will form a connected network with other parks areas celebrating the story of Manor Royal in different ways, so that no one is more than a five minute walk from decent outdoor space, that is interesting, evocative and inspired by you.

What do you think of when you think of Manor Royal?

Send us your stories, poems, memories or pictures that celebrate Manor Royal's heritage, industry and people.

You don't have to be artist. It could be as simple as sharing evocative words, occupation or old company names, things that were made here or just simple phrases that come to mind when you think of Manor Royal.

You could inspire a sculpture. You could draw something or share a photo that might inspire a sculpture for the "Lost Woodland Gallery".

Getting involved

Use the worksheets provided or just email us – it's that simple. The worksheets are on the website and if you need inspiration turn over this page or visit www.manorroyal.org/mystory

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About Manor Royal

It used to be called a “factory estate”. The place gets its name from a combination of the old farm (Manor Farm) that used to be here and when Queen Elizabeth II (then Princess) named it in 1950.

Originally Manor Royal was a base for traditional manufacturing and engineering. Over the years it has changed to become one of the UK’s largest mixed use business parks for logistics, medical systems, flight simulation and training, defence, security, service industries, retail, aviation, travel as well as manufacturing.

It’s over 540 acres in size providing 9 million square feet of business space for over 600 companies who provide work for about 30,00 people from Crawley and beyond



Princess Elizabeth naming Manor Royal, 1950

Did you know?



In 1977 Crawley got a new coat of arms, with the motto “I grow and I rejoice”. The lion at the top holding a hammer represents Manor Royal – proud and industrious. The red winged figures, a lion on the left and a griffin on the right, represent Gatwick Airport. The silver criss-crosses on the wings symbolise Crawley industry of steel and aluminum. They are holding thunderbolts to signify the flourishing electrical industry of the time.

How has Manor Royal changed? What industries are here now?

Did you know? Most of the roads are named after famous scientists.

Funny

What do you associate with Manor Royal? Some things people have said when asked “If Manor Royal was.....”

A **colour**...people said...*rainbow or multi-coloured*

A **shape**...people said...*a circle or sphere*

An **indigenous animal**...people said...*a rabbit*

A **world animal**...people said...*a lion*

A **fictional character**...people said...*a superhero*

A **vehicle**...people said...*a truck or lorry*

A **car marque**...people said...*Ford*

A **smell**...people said...*aircraft fuel or petrol*

A **taste**...people said...*sweet*

A **sound**...people said...*planes*



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