

**University Horticultural Officers’ Conference**

Tuesday 21 – Friday 24 April 2020

Draft Programme

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| Tuesday 21 April 2020 | |
| 11:30 – 13:00 | Arrival & Registration: with lunch & refreshments |
| 13:00 – 13:15 | Welcome and official opening of UHOC2020  *Steve Denton – NTU Chief Operating Officer & Registrar* |
| 13:20 – 14:00 | Technical Seminars (tbc) |
| 14:15 – 18:00 | Visit to University Park, University of Nottingham  *Tour of University Park + Rigby Taylor kit demo– ‘The Intelligent One’ + Technical Seminar (Eddie Curry – Head of Public Realm, Nottingham City Council)* |
| 19:00 | Return to hotel for evening event (tbc) |

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| Wednesday 22 April 2020 | |
| 06:30 – 08:30 | Hotel breakfast |
| 09:00 – 10:15 | Nottingham City Council Woodthorpe Grange Nurseries  *Sue Suggitt – Nursery Production Manager* |
| 10:45 – 12:45 | Visit to Sherwood Forest Country Park – including Major Oak  *Guided tour with Q&A* |
| 13:15 – 14:30 | Visit to Starkey’s Fruit – ‘The Bramley Apple Story’  *Tour with Sir John Starkey / Suzannah Starkey with Q&A* |
| 15:00 – 18:00 | Visit to NTU Brackenhurst Campus  *Machinery demonstration by Reesink Turfcare + Technical seminars, tour of campus and Terrace BBQ* |
| 18:00 | Return to hotel for evening event (tbc) |





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| Thursday 23 April 2020 | |
| 06:30 – 08:30 | Hotel breakfast |
| 09:00 – 13:15 | Visit Belvoir Castle – including tour of gardens  Head Gardener – Tom Webster with Q&A + UHOC AGM, buffet lunch and technical seminars (tbc) |
| 13:15 – 15:00 | Visit to Nottingham Forest FC – with an insight to end of season work/match preparations  Head Groundsman – Ewan Hunter with Q&A |
| 15:00 – 16:00 | Visit to Nottinghamshire County Cricket Club – with an insight into pre-season work  Head Groundsman – Steve Birks with Q&A |
| 16:00 – 17:30 | Castle Rock experience |
| 17:45 | Return to hotel |
| 18:45 – 19:30 | Visit to NTU Green Wall at NTU University Hall followed by Conference Group Photo (Business Smart dress code) |
| 19:30 – 21:30 | Conference Meal at NTU – Old Chemistry Theatre |
| 21:30 | Evening event (tbc) |

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| Friday 24April 2020 | |
| 06:30 – 09:00 | Hotel breakfast (Close of Conference) |

*Note:*

1. *Hotel rooms available from 2pm on Tues 21 April with secure storage available, for luggage, upon earlier arrival*
2. *Rooms available until midday on day of departure*

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