

# Barnhill Rock Garden

**The Rock Garden** is sited on part of a former nine-hole golf course which was laid out after the Dundee to Aberdeen railway was built more than a century ago. The garden was started in 1955 by clearing an area of volcanic rock which had at one time been the old shore line. There were originally five natural springs and the lowest pond is the site of one of these, the others having dried up in 1976.

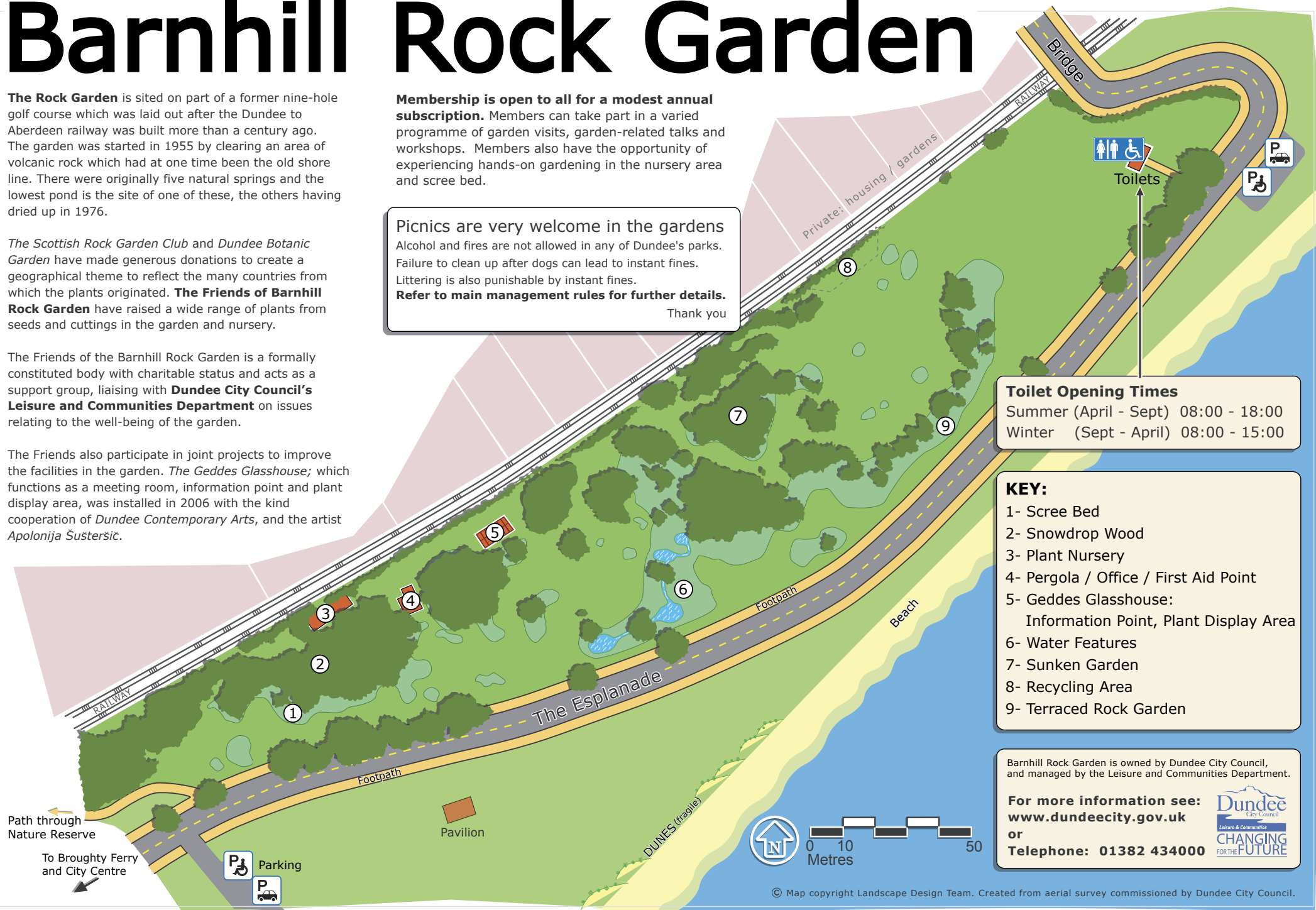
*The Scottish Rock Garden Club* and *Dundee Botanic Garden* have made generous donations to create a geographical theme to reflect the many countries from which the plants originated. **The Friends of Barnhill Rock Garden** have raised a wide range of plants from seeds and cuttings in the garden and nursery.

The Friends of the Barnhill Rock Garden is a formally constituted body with charitable status and acts as a support group, liaising with **Dundee City Council's Leisure and Communities Department** on issues relating to the well-being of the garden.

The Friends also participate in joint projects to improve the facilities in the garden. *The Geddes Glasshouse*, which functions as a meeting room, information point and plant display area, was installed in 2006 with the kind cooperation of *Dundee Contemporary Arts*, and the artist *Apolonija Šustersić*.

**Membership is open to all for a modest annual subscription.** Members can take part in a varied programme of garden visits, garden-related talks and workshops. Members also have the opportunity of experiencing hands-on gardening in the nursery area and scree bed.

**Picnics are very welcome in the gardens**  
Alcohol and fires are not allowed in any of Dundee's parks.  
Failure to clean up after dogs can lead to instant fines.  
Littering is also punishable by instant fines.  
**Refer to main management rules for further details.**  
Thank you



## Toilet Opening Times

Summer (April - Sept) 08:00 - 18:00  
Winter (Sept - April) 08:00 - 15:00

## KEY:

- 1- Scree Bed
- 2- Snowdrop Wood
- 3- Plant Nursery
- 4- Pergola / Office / First Aid Point
- 5- Geddes Glasshouse:  
Information Point, Plant Display Area
- 6- Water Features
- 7- Sunken Garden
- 8- Recycling Area
- 9- Terraced Rock Garden

Barnhill Rock Garden is owned by Dundee City Council, and managed by the Leisure and Communities Department.

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