Queer Spirit Camp Cafe: Ethos & Expectations

In the spirit of radical faerie values—of community, care, and co-creation—the Queer Spirit Camp Cafe invites all campers into a shared space of nourishment, service, and joy.

This year, the cafe will offer **wholesome**, **affordable meals** prepared with love by volunteers. Whether you're signed up for a shift or just passing by and feel called to lend a hand, **all are welcome to be part of the magic** of food preparation. The cafe is not just a service—it's a space of connection and shared energy.

To help us reduce food waste, keep costs low, and care for our environment, we encourage everyone to **pre-book all their meals** through the Queer Spirit Camp website. This allows us to order and cook the right amount of food and plan meals more effectively.

How It Works

- **Menu:** We have published the meal plans in advance on the website, so that you can book specific meals:
 - o **Breakfast:** £4
 - o Lunch (one course): £6
 - o Dinner (main + dessert): £10
- On-the-Day Pricing (limited availability):
 - o Breakfast: £4
 - o Lunch (one course): £7
 - o Dinner (main + dessert): £12

New This Year: Pre-Loaded Meal Cards/Wristbands (QS Phoenix)

When you pre-book your meals, we will put aside paper tickets for each of the meals you have booked, which you pick up when you check in to the camp. Alternatively you can purchase a Phoenix card or wristband that will be loaded with the meals you've selected. These can only be redeemed for your booked meals and help keep service smooth and streamlined.

For those paying **On-the-Day Pricing** although we will be set up to accept card payments, to help us run a smoother service we would appreciate the use of cash – in previous events we have found that the card reader sometimes works to the beat of its own drum!

Gifting Dessert

If you've booked a dinner but don't want your dessert, we'll offer you a token to gift it to someone else—a sweet act of sharing in the true spirit of Queer Spirit.

Dietary Requirements

All meals served from the Queer Spirit Camp Cafe will be **vegan** or **vegetarian**, lovingly prepared with wholesome, nourishing ingredients.

Allergens will be clearly labelled on the menu and at the point of serving. If you have specific dietary needs or concerns, please speak with a cafe volunteer on-site—we'll do our best to support you.

Please be mindful that this is a **camp cafe environment**, not a commercial allergy-controlled space. While every effort will be made to prepare meals **safely**, we cannot guarantee an absence of trace allergens. If you have severe dietary needs, please speak to a cafe volunteer so we can support you as best we can.

Bring Your Own Plates, Bowls, Cups & Cutlery

In respect for the Earth and our shared values, we ask all campers to bring their own **reusable dining gear**. No single-use items will be provided. To be mindful of safety, please bring shatter-proof items such as metal or re-useable plastic.

Washing-Up Station

Our five-stage wash-up system will help keep everything clean and hygienic:

- 1. Scrape bin
- 2. First wash
- 3. Clean wash
- 4. Rinse
- 5. Sanitise

Please wash and sanitise your hands before using this station and follow the process in order. Let's keep our cafe community safe and shining!

Dish Dance!

Feeling the joy of giving back? Join us for the **post-meal Dish Dance**—a playful, music-fuelled clean-up where we return some energy to the space that nourished us. It's fun, freeing, and part of the flow.

Volunteer Love

All volunteers will be offered **one free meal per shift**—a thank you for your energy, care, and time.

Let's co-create a cafe that's more than just a place to eat—let it be a heart-centre of camp, where meals are made with magic, shared in spirit, and cleaned up in celebration.

With love, spice, and sparkles,

The Queer Spirit Cafe Team