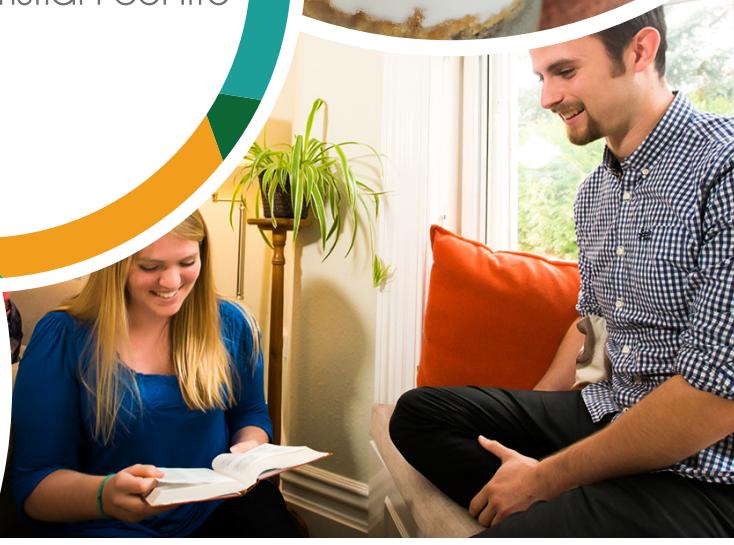


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Dear Friends

Looking out over the garden on this beautiful sunny day, I've been reflecting on God's faithfulness to us over the last 18 months. We've rarely had to be so flexible and live with so much uncertainty as a centre (and as a nation). Yet here we are – welcoming people back through our doors so they may encounter God and find renewed strength and hope in Him. God has been faithful in providing the right people, the perseverance and finances to get us through and we trust Him with our future.

Many of our team have gone through and are still going through trials – so we know life is not easy and we know from talking to many of you how difficult this time has been. It's been a privilege to share in your journeys and we look forward to journeying with you into 2022.

As well as some familiar retreats we also have some new events for you next year. A summer week specifically for families and a wellness retreat as well as our usual 'Time and Space' periods for those wanting a quiet prayer-filled space to spend with God although as always, you are welcome to come whenever we are open to spend time with Him! I suggest keeping an eye on our website as we do sometimes add additional events and retreats as the opportunity arises. The team and I very much look forward to welcoming you back.

Every blessing,



Mark Strand
Centre Director

Our Story



We opened in 1955 in an 1850s villa as Green Pastures Christian Centre of Healing by our founder Ruth Hainsworth following her own healing at several retreat centres in the UK.

Over time, as people came and experienced healing for themselves, the ministry and the house grew. Following the appointment of new trustees in 2012, the name of the house changed to reflect our role supporting the Church in the great commission of '*Growing Christian Disciples Active in Church and Community*' underpinned by our foundation of a Christian healing ministry.

About Us



Hello!

We are a Christian retreat, conference and holiday venue situated in the middle of a leafy residential area between Poole and Bournemouth, just 2 hours by train from London Waterloo. We are a 20 minute walk to 13 miles of beautiful sandy beaches and within easy reach of both the New Forest and some of Dorset's most famous landmarks such as Studland Bay, the Purbecks, Brownsea Island and Durdle Door.

What We Do

We are passionate about supporting churches, Christian organisations and individuals to grow in faith. We host and can facilitate a wide variety of events from training, led retreats, celebrations and quiet times away on your own or with friends.

The aim is the same – to encourage transformation through spending time in God's presence. Good food, comfortable surroundings and the prayers of our team are assured.



What We Offer

What A Day With Us Looks Like

The most important thing is that you don't have to do or come to anything! But if you'd like to join us, we meet daily at 9.30am for a short time of prayer and worship in the chapel and twice a week on a Tuesday and Thursday for evening prayer.

We pray for each guest by name before arrival and one of the team is always available to pray with you whilst you are here, if that is helpful. As for the rest, it's up to you! We want you to make yourself at home. Rest or be active, pray or play, there are no demands on you, just an invitation to come and spend time with God.



Accommodation

Accommodation can be booked on a B&B, half or full board basis. Unless otherwise specified, all led retreats are full board.

We have 22 bedrooms of various sizes on 2 floors which can accommodate 37 people in total. Simply furnished, the rooms are clean and comfortable with several of the ground floor rooms offering direct access into the garden.



Facilities

22 bedrooms (sleeping 37)

Large comfortable lounge, conservatory, quiet room and chapel

Summerhouse & prayer huts in our beautiful gardens

Art & TV lounge

Spacious dining room

Heated outdoor swimming pool (open May – September)

Food

We love our food and believe passionately that although fasting is a very important spiritual discipline, being well fed with beautiful, fresh home-cooked food is also a good route to meeting with God through shared fellowship.

If going out and about for the day, you are welcome to sign up for a packed lunch or stay with us and choose one of our tasty 2-course lunch options. Dinner is a delicious 2-course meal with an abundance of freshly cooked vegetables followed by a tempting dessert. Tea and coffee is available after all meals. We do our best to accommodate any medical dietary requirements you may have but please do let us know in advance.



When Can You Visit Us?



We are open all year round, and welcome anyone who may be seeking a closer relationship with God. To give you an idea of what may best suit you, we have various options available.

Led Retreats

These are focused retreats on a specific topic or theme led by speakers who are experienced in their field. There is space within the retreat for both learning and reflection. When a retreat does not have exclusive use of the house, others are welcome to stay without joining in the retreat itself. See **page 15** for a list of this year's Led Retreats.



Time and Space

This is time we set aside in the calendar for individual personal retreat. The house is kept quieter to create an environment that is more reflective and there are opportunities for worship and healing prayer. Individuals, couples or small groups are most welcome during this time. Our Quiet Days and Healing Services are held during Time and Space.



Day Guests

You are more than welcome to come and spend time with us here without staying overnight, please call to book in advance.

There is no cost for self-guided retreat days, other than for meals, however donations are welcome. A price list for our menu can be found on **page 33**.

For day guests attending a led **Quiet Day** the price is £25 for the day. This price includes lunch and refreshments.

For **Led Retreats** where the option for day guests is possible, the price is **£28** for half a day retreat including one meal and refreshments or **£45** for a full day including two meals and refreshments.

Please be aware that these prices may vary for different retreats.



Open Time

Outside of Time and Space we are very much a venue to be used! We are perfectly located for those wanting to simply get away, use us as a base for exploring the local area or to attend an event locally. We also welcome families during these times and offer space for a variety of meetings, celebrations, courses and events such as prayer breakfasts or training events whether local or national.



Time and Space

Healing Services

Within our Time and Space weeks we host a healing service on Thursday mornings in our chapel. Healing and restoration is a key part of our vision. We have been blessed to hear lots of testimonials from people who have encountered God's healing at one of the services.

You are more than welcome to come to our healing service for free, even if you are not attending our Time and Space week.

Quiet Day

Most months during Time and Space we have a Quiet Day, which is a great opportunity for reflection, prayer and worship. As you can guess by the name, the day is quiet but not silent. Our Quiet Days normally run from 10am to 4pm.

Pastoral Team

Our Pastoral Team is made up of experienced volunteers. If you would like someone to pray with you please make an appointment with our reception team.



Dates for Time and Space

January 17th - 21st

February 21st - 25th

March 14th - 18th

April 4th - 8th & 25th - 29th

May 16th - 20th

June 6th - 10th

July 4th - 8th

September 5th - 9th & 26th - 30th

October 10th - 14th

November 7th - 11th & 21st - 25th

Our Rates

Non Led Retreat Rates

Off-Peak - January to March and November to December

Excluding Christmas and New Year

	B&B	Half Board	Full Board
Single Standard	£40	£58	£69
Double / Twin Standard	£65	£101	£123
Single En-suite	£50	£68	£79
Double / Twin En-suite	£75	£111	£133



Peak - April to October

	B&B	Half Board	Full Board
Single Standard	£47	£65	£76
Double / Twin Standard	£85	£121	£143
Single En-suite	£57	£75	£86
Double / Twin En-suite	£95	£131	£153

Rates are per room.

With the exception of those in full time church leadership, a minimum 2 night stay applies.

The Greenhouse is an ideal venue for groups. We can have up to 37 people stay overnight and can host 50 for a day event. We have excellent transport links and easy access to the sea, the city and the gorgeous Dorset countryside. From church weekends away to training courses, cell group reunions to leadership conferences, we offer the ideal place to meet together.

You can also book The Greenhouse exclusively. This would give you private access of the whole house and all of our facilities.

As a team, we are very flexible and able to support any church retreat or training event you might want to have here - perhaps by leading chapel times or by providing pastoral care if required. We have WiFi in the main lounge, chapel and reception area and can provide all the technology you may require for any talks such as data projection and PA equipment.



Group Prices

Minimum of 2 night stay at weekends during peak period

November - March

Per person
Per night

Off Peak
£68

Peak
£82

April - October

Testimonials

“We had a wonderful silent retreat at The Greenhouse. We were cared for with such kindness. The food was delicious, the garden beautiful, and it was such a privilege to have quiet time with The Lord... I came away feeling so grateful and blessed”



“I really loved the sense of God's presence and flow of The Holy Spirit in all the meetings so thank you team and thank you Jesus”



“Restored, refreshed, fed well & challenged me regarding my devotion to Him. I have benefited from fellowship with other guests and staff. Hearing their stories has enriched and broadened my awareness of what is going on in other people's lives giving me perspective regarding my own”



Our Led Retreats

There may be other courses or retreats arranged during the year so please keep an eye on our website, www.the-greenhouse.org, sign up for our email newsletter or link with us on social media for updates on new events.



Our Led Retreats are a big part of The Greenhouse and our retreat leaders are fantastic! Each has a wealth of experience to share with you and we love partnering with them to resource and equip you for life and ministry. Read on to find out more about them and the events they will be running or take a look at their websites for more information.

We have a number of different retreats this year, so take a look at all we have to offer and book a stay with us - we can't wait to meet you!

What is a Retreat?

People used to go away and retreat often only a few years ago, but we're doing it less and less as life gets faster and busier. God is everywhere you go and you can meet with Him in any time and place, however a retreat is a great way to intentionally spend quality time with God, away from the fast pace and distractions of life. It's time to give God our absolute undivided attention - something that is hard, in this day and age. Whether you are coming to us in the midst of a struggle, or you just want time to reconnect, we have people around to support and encourage you.

Preparing For A Retreat

Why Should You Retreat?

So why is it relevant to you? Whatever place you are in with God, whether you are seeing Him move in your life or you are in a time where you feel far from Him, removing yourself from the stress of life to spend time with your Father is so important Jesus made a priority of it. A retreat can come in lots of different ways, you can just come and relax and spend time praying, reading, pondering and just being with God. Or you can book a retreat about a specific subject or topic that might be relevant to you. Take a look at our Led Retreat calendar on **page 15** for what we offer.



Preparing For A Retreat

Preparing to go on a retreat is an important part of getting the best out of your time. You can do this in different ways. Here are some suggestions: Lots of people find journalling a great way to focus, digest and reflect on what they have learned so bring anything you would need for this. Bring along a few books, reading is a great way to spend time learning and relaxing. Christian books are a great way to help you focus your mind and hear from God. An open mind is also key when coming on a retreat, being open to what God has to say and how He wants to lead you. Often His plans are not always what we have in mind for ourselves, remaining open to this will allow you to make the most out of your time.

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With Dr. Angela Walker

'Do you feel like you are going through a spiritual wilderness or perhaps God seems somewhat distant at present? Then come on this weekend retreat that will help you to draw closer to God, hear His Spirit, and discern His ways. Encounter the fire of His presence in the desert.'

For more information about Dr. Angela Walker visit www.theoministries.com

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“Joy-freedom-refreshment. Thank you all”
- *Fire In The Desert* (Dr. Angela Walker)

	Standard	En-suite
Single	£175	£205
Double / Twin	£282	£346

February
25 - 27

Celtic Lent

Discover more about this season from a particular part of our rich spiritual heritage.

Taking teaching from his book 'Celtic Lent' (BRF) David will draw from historic Celtic Christianity to give you new insights for your faith today in your journey towards Easter.

Celtic Christmas

Advent is a significant period in the modern Christian calendar, just as it was for the ancient Celtic Christians. Over this weekend, David, author of the book 'Celtic Advent' (BRF), will be sharing aspects of Advent and the lead up to Christmas as celebrated and focused on by the ancient Celtic Christians and monastic centres.



December
2 - 4

	Standard	En-suite
Single	£175	£205
Double / Twin	£282	£346

Marilyn Baker Ministries

March
7 - 11

October
17 - 21

With Marilyn Baker and Tracy Williamson

Founded in 1982 by blind singer/songwriter, Marilyn Baker, MBM is an itinerant ministry of music, teaching and prayer. In 1986 Marilyn was joined by Tracy Williamson, whose gifts in speaking and prophecy enriched the music and ministry with a new dimension.

MBM's strapline is 'Restoring Lives Through Intimacy with God' and over the years the ministry's vision has evolved into a passion to see more people brought closer to God, hearing His voice and receiving His life changing love.

Each conference is different while following a similar structure of daily worship and teaching sessions: guided creative and interactive times and the highlight of Marilyn's concert where her songs inspire and touch everyone with the warmth of God's love. There are also opportunities for personal prayer times with Marilyn, Tracy and their team and there's plenty of time to relax, make new friends and enjoy the lovely meals and beautiful location.

For more information about MBM visit
www.mbm-ministries.org



	Standard	En-suite
Single	£332	£400
Double / Twin	£514	£643

Wellness Reset Weekend



March
18 - 20

Helping You Pursue A Healthy, Flourishing Life With Catherine Shelton

Jesus came to give you life in all its fullness – mind, body and spirit. Perhaps you're excited about making a difference in this world and living into your God-given potential, but you're feeling overwhelmed, tired, and you know your health has been on the back burner for a while.

This Wellness Reset Weekend is the perfect opportunity for you to pause your busy life, take stock of where you are health-wise, and set some new goals going forward. We'll be diving into topics such as optimal nutrition, exercise, stress management, sleep and self-care. Enjoy the restorative atmosphere of The Greenhouse, spend time with God, and come away with clear action steps for creating new vitality, balance and joy in your life in a sustainable way.

	Standard	En-suite
Single	£175	£205
Double / Twin	£282	£346

For more information about Catherine Shelton visit www.catherineshelton.net

We are excited to be able to offer a 10% discount on this new retreat to any guests who have not stayed with us before.

Time For Marriage

March
25 - 27

October
7 - 9



With The Time For Marriage Team

Time for Marriage is passionate about couples discovering God's plan for their marriage. These weekends are transforming marriages and families through Biblical teaching on issues such as communication, prayer, sex and conflict (just to name a few).

Our facilitators share what they've learned through their own experiences - good and bad! They will encourage you to be honest together and allow space for God to move you forwards in each area of your relationship. Expect a warm atmosphere, laughter, media clips, real life examples, thought provoking ideas, no group sharing and great food! Not to be missed if you want your marriage to be the best it can be!

For more information or to book visit
www.timeformarriage.org.uk



“The venue was perfect. The food was exceptional and the staff were very friendly”
- *Time For Marriage*

Price Per Couple

£350

Easter

22

April
14 - 18

With The Greenhouse Team

You're invited to join us for the most important festival in the Christian calendar! Come on your own, come with your family or come with your church and let's celebrate the Resurrection of our Saviour together as the family of Christ!



	Standard	En-suite
Single	£332	£400
Double / Twin	£514	£643

Beauty From Ashes

May
9 - 13

October
24 - 28



With The Beauty From Ashes Team

Both Jen and Carol have known grief and loss in their personal lives but have discovered the Lord's comfort and strength in brokenness. Together they work at Beauty From Ashes offering prayer ministry for those who have known grief, trauma, loss or the breakdown of relationships and are convinced Jesus still mends broken hearts today.

For more information about Beauty From Ashes visit www.beautyfromashes.co.uk

	Standard	En-suite
Single	£332	£400
Double / Twin	£514	£643



Harvesters Walking Break



June
20 - 24

The Harvesters Bournemouth Holiday is a unique retreat taking place at The Greenhouse this June. It's an amazing opportunity to take in the stunning scenery of the Dorset coast and meet lots of new people!

With low, mid and high level walks and plenty of other things to do, this retreat is a fantastic way to see Dorset with a relaxed and informal, fun group of Christians. There is also plenty of time out on your own to chill or explore if you wish, there's no pressure. There will be a house led short informal service that is held in The Greenhouse chapel at 9.30am which is a great start to the day.

This break is for those who are single, divorced or widowed.



Standard	En-suite
£304	£344

July
11 -15



With The Greenhouse Team

Our Partners Week is a great opportunity to get together with those who support us by giving, acting and praying. If you're not yet a Partner of The Greenhouse and you would like to be then why not get in touch?

"My life is very busy & hectic. With covid, it felt like forever since I last had a break. The Greenhouse retreat has been a real rest & a blessing this week. The staff are so welcoming, friendly, accepting, kind & always go the extra mile. Their gifts for serving here are amazing. God is a true provider. The prayer & reflection times always hit just the right spot. Thank you & bless you!"

	Standard	En-suite
Single	£266	£320
Double / Twin	£412	£515

August
12 - 18

With The Greenhouse Team

This week is a great opportunity for families to spend quality time together away from the pressures and distractions of everyday life. There will be an optional short family-friendly service each morning, a range of craft activities and our outdoor heated pool will be available. Come and enjoy stunning Blue Flag beaches and bustling seaside towns. A variety of water sports, places of interest and boat rides can also be accessed locally.



	B&B	Half Board	Full Board
Single Standard	£47	£65	£76
Double / Twin Standard	£85	£121	£143
Single En-suite	£57	£75	£86
Double / Twin En-suite	£95	£131	£153

Breathing Spaces Silent Retreat



November
25 - 27

With The Breathing Spaces Team

A silent retreat is a good opportunity to press the pause button in the hustle and bustle of daily life and to reflect on changing circumstances in our lives. Above all else it affords the opportunity to get in touch with God.

There is a gentle way into silence, with conversation during the first meal, a briefing and time to meet fellow retreatants. Then we go into silence – except for the 3 or 4 times during the retreat when each retreatant meets up with the member of the team who is accompanying them. The team member is there to listen, to help make sense of what might emerge in the silence, and to offer resources to assist retreatants in their spiritual journey e.g. scripture passages, poems, pictures and meditations.

The whole retreat is surrounded by love, care and prayer in peaceful surroundings and concludes with a shared communion celebration.



	Standard	En-suite
Single	£225	£255
Double / Twin	£332	£396

Christmas House Party



December
23 - 27

With The Greenhouse Team

Finally one of the best events of the year - our Christmas House Party! Filled with fellowship, fun and surprises, we would love you to join us for our family Christmas celebration!



	Standard	En-suite
Single	£380	£445
Double / Twin	£599	£ 747

Retreat Testimonials

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“I really loved the sense of God’s presence and flow of The Holy Spirit in all the meetings so thank you team and thank you Jesus”
- Marilyn Baker Ministries



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“Thank you for a wonderful weekend - I found the whole experience extremely affirming and humbling. It felt very personal with wonderful, unexpected touches, like the card in the room on arrival, Bible verses for each of us and flowers in the room. It was wonderful knowing that someone was praying for us before and during the weekend too. The venue was wonderful and the food amazing - we felt very spoilt”
- Time For Marriage



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“He has greatly blessed me through spiritual and physical rest, which I greatly needed. Thank you ALL for the love and hospitality shown in many ways. Through the difficulty of lockdown, God has shone through ALL the ministry”
- Fire In The Desert (Dr. Angela Walker)



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“Jesus guided all of us down the road to Emmaus (theme) I feel I met Him over again! Jen Rees Larcombe and team always a blessing!!”

- *Beauty From Ashes*



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“The teaching with Angela Walker has been such a blessing. It has encouraged me to really spend time with The Lord and listen to His guidance - prayer ministry, pastoral care, & warm welcome and excellent food has made this yet again a wonderful experience. Thank you to everyone involved”

- *The Power of His Peace In Us*

Places to visit

Corfe Castle - Corfe Castle ruins are one of Britain's most iconic and evocative survivors of the English Civil War. There is also an on-site cafe and restaurant making it a great day out. The drive to Corfe Castle is 30 minutes and an hour and 30 minutes by bus from The Greenhouse.

Westbourne Town Centre - Explore the beautiful town and all it has to offer - from independent restaurants and cafés to shops. Take in the relaxed continental café atmosphere including the Arcade. Westbourne high street is just a 10 minute walk from The Greenhouse.

Durdle Door and Lulworth Cove - Explore one of Dorset's most photographed and iconic landmarks. It is part of the Jurassic Coast World Heritage Site and is an extremely popular beauty spot. Great for hikes, swimming or a picnic.

Blue Flag Beaches - We're within easy access of some of the most stunning Blue Flag beaches in the country, including Branksome Chine, Bournemouth and Sandbanks beach. It will take you around 20 minutes on public transport to get to both Sandbanks and Bournemouth beach, Branksome Chine is just a 20 minute walk from The Greenhouse.



Bournemouth Oceanarium - Right on Bournemouth sea front the Oceanarium is a great day out on both sunny or rainy days for kids and adults alike! Take your pick from a variety of delicious restaurants and cafés nearby for a spot of lunch after your trip. From The Greenhouse, the Oceanarium is a just a quick 10 minute drive or a 20 minute bus ride.

Branksome Park Woods - The Greenhouse is situated in the heart of Branksome Park. It's a 5 minute walk from our front door to the woods and the winding paths down to the beach and through the Chines - a beautiful walk, perfect for reflecting and enjoying nature. If you walk all the way to Sandbanks, which takes around 25 minutes, you will be rewarded with views of the Isle of Wight, glorious sands and a selection of beachside cafés from which to take it all in.

Brownsea Island - The birthplace of Guiding and Scouting, Brownsea is the largest of the islands in Poole Harbour. The first record of inhabitants dates back to the 9th century, when a small chapel and hermitage were built by monks. Today, areas of woodland and heath, with a wide variety of wildlife (including red squirrels), are open to the public via a short boat trip across the harbour from Poole Quay.



Helpful Information

Deposit

A deposit of £50 is payable on all residential bookings with the balance due 4 weeks before arrival. Deposits are non refundable. With the exception of those in full time church leadership, a minimum 2 night stay applies.

If the centre is unable to fulfil your booking for any reason and has to cancel you will be entitled to a refund or to carry over payments to future dates, whichever is your preference. We strongly recommend that you have travel insurance should you need to cancel. Please note The Greenhouse do not offer travel insurance.



Bursary

A bursary fund is available to help support those who require it. If you wish to apply please email your request to: info@the-greenhouse.org

Children's Rates

Under 5s: FREE
5 - 9 Years: 40%
10 - 14 Years: 60%
15 - 17 Years: 75%

Menu Rates

Breakfast - £8.00
Lunch - £11.00
Dinner - £18.00
Tea, Coffee and Cake £3.00



How To Find Us

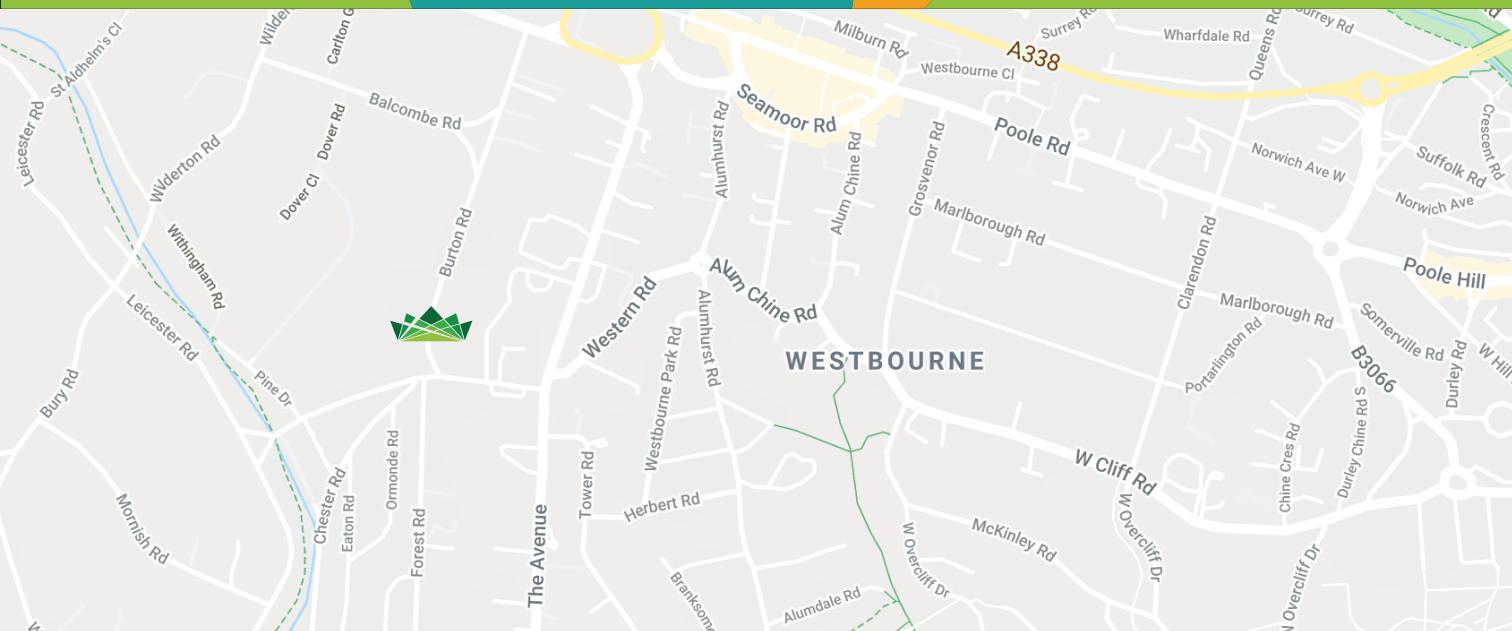
We are located in one of the most beautiful places on the Dorset Coast, just a short walk to Westbourne town centre or the beach.

By car from London, The Midlands and the East.

From the M3, M25 (west) A31, take the first exit off the roundabout at the end of the Ringwood bypass A338 (signposted Bournemouth). At the third roundabout take the middle lane and then the fourth exit into Lindsay Road, Burton Road is the first left immediately after the roundabout. The Greenhouse (Number 17) is near the end of the road on the left hand side.

By train. From Bournemouth train station it is 10 minutes by taxi to The Greenhouse. Branksome station is closer but please note there is no lift and no taxi rank. Branksome station is a 20 minute walk away.

By Coach. Arrive at Bournemouth Coach Station, then 10 minutes by taxi to The Greenhouse. Alternatively the National Express coach stops in Westbourne which is just a 10 minute walk away.





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