**Scarecrow Trail | *Walmer Castle and Gardens***

**APPLICATION FORM**

The Scarecrow Trail is back for 2025!

We will be selecting twenty scarecrows to watch over the castle grounds between Sat 18 Oct and Sun 2 Nov 2025, with prizes for the scarecrows voted ‘Kids’ Favourite’ and ‘Adults’ Favourite’ decided by our visitors.

To apply, please read all pages of this document carefully and complete the attached form.

Entry is **FREE** and open to all: individuals, families, community groups, schools, local businesses, charities, etc.

**Applications close on Wed 24 September at 5pm**

Walmer Castle and Gardens will review all entries and contact the twenty successful applicants by Fri 26 Sep 2025 with the go-ahead to start construction of their scarecrow.

Our theme this year will be **REMEMBERING HEROES.**

Your scarecrow must relate to this theme to be taken into consideration.

**TERMS AND CONDITIONS**

* All applications must be received by 5pm on Wed 24 Sep 2025. No applications received after that date will be considered.
* The twenty successful scarecrows must be ready to be installed on Fri 17 Oct 2025.
* Scarecrows must be made from safe and environment-friendly materials.
* Scarecrows must be sturdy and secure enough to withstand wind and rain. We will provide a wooden stake (1.6m above ground) to which your scarecrow must be fixed. If your scarecrow will need further ground fixing, you must specify in your application.
* Scarecrows must be appropriate for a family audience and must not be lewd, crude, rude or dangerous. We reserve the right to withdraw any entry likely to cause offense.
* Scarecrows may be branded with your organisation’s name and logo but cannot be used to advertise goods or services.
* Entries are preferred from groups or organisations within Deal, Walmer or the surrounding areas.
* We cannot be responsible for any loss or damage to property, including props and materials used as part of your scarecrow’s construction.
* Scarecrows should be collected between Tue 4 - Sun 9 Nov by arrangement. Any scarecrows not collected on this date will be recycled, donated, or disposed of.

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| Walmer Castle Scarecrow Trail  Application Form 2025  (Entries must be received no later than **5pm** **Wed 24 Sep 2025**) | |
| Scarecrow number:  (For Walmer Castle use only) |  |
| Scarecrow location:  (For Walmer Castle use only) |  |
| Scarecrow name/title: |  |
| Proposed description:  (including proposed props and materials – please continue overleaf if necessary. If you have a sketch, please include it!) |  |
| Name of person/  group submitting: |  |
| Contact name: |  |
| Address: |  |
| Telephone number: |  |
| Email address: |  |

Please email applications to [walmercastlewellbeing@english-heritage.org.uk](mailto:walmercastlewellbeing@english-heritage.org.uk), or send completed application forms to:

Scarecrow Trail

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