

## **Ferry Road Allts - Compost supplier list @ 07 / 05 / 2020**

### **Caledonian Horticulture a.k.a. Forth Resource Management a.k.a. the local green waste/brown bin composters.**

- Are doing deliveries and their site shops are still open for collection.
- They do standard plastic sack bags of compost and bulk builders' bags – be warned that builders' bags will be dropped at the gate and you will have to wheelbarrow it the rest of the way yourself.
- The nearest site to Ferry Road Allotments (they run three across the Lothians) is at Braehead Quarry, and definitely requires motor transport to get to - it's on the non-Public side of Edinburgh Airport, and that's maybe stretching the "essential" journey thing a bit too far.
- Prices/details on their website.
- Phone: 0131 339 5554
- Email: [sales@caledonianhorticulture.co.uk](mailto:sales@caledonianhorticulture.co.uk)
- Website: <https://caledonianhorticulture.co.uk/>
- Delivery charges vary depending on size of order – free if over certain amount.

### **Garden Solutions a.k.a. the Mushroom Compost folk.**

- Just double checked their Facebook page and website they seem to be open again for deliveries:

"We have now caught up with the backlog of orders and have re- opened our website, phones and emails to take orders again. Please note small 50litre bag deliveries will be from 11th May and bulk bag deliveries will be from 18th May."

- Phone: 0800 043 0450
- Email: [enquiries@gardensolutions.info](mailto:enquiries@gardensolutions.info)
- Website: <https://gardensolutions.info/>
- Free delivery over £35.
- Can deliver with small van, will bring on site.

### **Strawberry Corner at Wallyford, a.k.a. Dalefoot Compost stockist.**

- Shop is closed, but they are doing deliveries if arranged by phone.
- Phone: 0131 665 9299
- Website: <https://strawberrycorner.co.uk/>
- Delivery charge: At least £20 – not sure if we count as “Edinburgh East” - £20 or “Edinburgh North” - £40.
- Only dropped at gate/kerbside.

### **Pentland Plants, Loanhead.**

- Doing deliveries, just not to the EH5 Postcode which is where Ferry Road is.

The following are limited to those with access to their own transport, and are pushing the “essential” travel.

Listing them in case the lockdown eases the next couple of weeks.

### **Homebase/B&Q a.k.a. Deliver It Yourself.**

- Seem to be open, but I have no idea about stock levels.
- I've heard from Dave Redgate that there was a half hour wait just to get in the building at Homebase at Craigleith, while B&Q sounds like Alton Towers on a bank holiday weekend. Wickes remains closed, but they are starting trialling opening a couple of stores.

### **Williamson’s Garden Centre, Uphall, West Lothian.**

- Have opened a limited open air garden centre in their car park.
- Bit of a drive, so worth phoning to check stock before you head out
- Phone: 01506 811433
- Email: [williamsons@myflorist.co.uk](mailto:williamsons@myflorist.co.uk)
- Website (Facebook page): <https://www.facebook.com/williamsonsmysflorist>
- Getting there:
  - Take the M8 towards Glasgow, leave at Junction 3, Livingston.
  - Follow the signs/markings at Roundabout for Broxburn.
  - At the next roundabout, turn right onto the A89 heading towards Broxburn/Edinburgh.
- Pass the Dobbies (closed at time of writing) - site will be on the right.

Just to note – Williamson’s Garden Centre is where Livingston Garden Machinery is located. <https://www.livgm.co.uk/> They can service petrol engined tools.

I was looking for a company to service the ancient site chipper which has a Briggs and Stratton engine, and the one company listed in Morningside doesn’t service chippers. [https://www.briggsandstratton.com/eu/en\\_gb/support/dealer-locator.html](https://www.briggsandstratton.com/eu/en_gb/support/dealer-locator.html)

There are a couple of other small, independent nurseries in the area around Broxburn, but they’re either closed due to the lockdown or are backed up with orders.