

Bangers & Cash Safety Tips

We hope that you will enjoy your fundraising but whatever you're cooking up please keep your guests and the food safe. Our safety tips will show you how!

General Safety

The Fire Service recommend that you:

- Ensure your barbeque is in good working order and clean
- Make sure the barbeque is on a flat site, outside and away from sheds, fences, trees and shrubs
- Keep children and pets away from the barbeque area
- Never leave the barbeque unattended
- Keep a bucket of water or sand nearby for emergencies
- Ensure the barbeque is cool before attempting to move it
- When using a barbeque it is best not to wear loose clothing, which could easily catch fire

Charcoal Barbeques

- Use enough charcoal to cover the base of the barbeque to a depth of about 50mm (2 inches)
- Only ever use approved fire lighters or starter fuel, only use the minimum necessary and only on cold coals—**never** use petrol
- Always wait for the ashes to cool before transferring to a dustbin

Gas Barbeques

- Ensure the tap is turned off before attempting to change the gas cylinder
- If possible change cylinders outside or at least in a well ventilated area
- After cooking ensure to turn the gas cylinder off



Food Safety

The Food Standards Agency recommend that you:

- Always wash your hands thoroughly before preparing food, after handling raw meat and before eating
- Use separate utensils for raw and cooked meat. **Never** put cooked food on a plate or surface that has been used for raw meat
- Barbequed food may look thoroughly cooked when it isn't. To be sure that it is safe to eat, check that it's piping hot all the way through, that none of the meat is pink and any juices run clear.
- Try to cook foods evenly over a steady heat
- Don't put raw meat products next to cooked or partially cooked meat on the barbeque
- Keep raw meat in a sealed container away from ready-to-eat foods such as burger buns, cooked meats and salads
- Don't add sauce or marinade to cooked food if it has already been used for raw meats
- Eat food as soon as it's cooked
- Cover and refrigerate leftovers within an hour

Finally....and most importantly....

Have fun!

St Barnabas House cannot accept responsibility for accident, injury, loss or damage, so make sure your event is safe for all concerned.

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