Restoration Café appoints new Head of Food and Beverage

The Restoration Yard at Dalkeith appointed Gillian Heath as Head of Food and Beverage as part of their Restoration Café team earlier this month.

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Gillian spent 19 years at The Dome on George Street most recently as General Manager of the restaurant there. Now she will run all the eating outlets in Dalkeith looking out over the River Esk.

She said: "I'm thrilled to have the chance to look after Restoration Café – it's a really exciting, new and vibrant place to eat in Midlothian with an absolutely delicious menu made even more special by its beautiful setting.

"Its stunning interior design coupled with its idyllic location in the heart of Dalkeith Country Park with spectacular views from the floor-to-ceiling windows make Restoration Café a wonderful place to dine.

"I'm delighted to have the opportunity to work alongside fantastic staff who put service and using local, seasonal produce at the heart of our offering. Having the Park on our doorstep means we've even been able to create our own herb and vegetable patch which we use in our breakfast, lunch and afternoon tea dishes."

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Julie Merrilees has also been promoted to Visitor Services Manager at Dalkeith Country Park where Restoration Yard is sited. Julie was previously Coordinator and is glad to move into her new role. Julie said: "I love working with the team here at Dalkeith and feel very privileged to have been promoted into the role of Visitor Services Manager.

"During the last year at Dalkeith Country Park we've seen some amazing changes, with the opening of Restoration Yard and Fort Douglas playground as well as a continuing programme of activities for all the family throughout the Park.

"I'm looking forward to building on this to ensure the Park's continued success as well as implementing a fun activities and events programme over the summer."