



Milford Environment Group  
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Wildlife Recording Group  
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## MILFORD CONSERVATION VOLUNTEERS (MCV)

### MEMBERSHIP & BIRD OBSERVATORY KEY-FOB APPLICATION FORM (Membership year runs from 1<sup>st</sup> Jan to 31<sup>st</sup> Dec)

First Name: ..... Surname: .....

Home Address: ..... Post Code: .....

Home telephone number: ..... Mobile number: .....

Email address: ..... Are you an existing MCV member? Yes/No

Do you wish to become a MCV member? Yes/No If you would like to help us at our Task Sessions tick box [ ]

If you are a new applicant where did you hear about us? .....

Do you wish to hold a Bird Observatory Key-Fob? Yes/No If YES please read and sign in Box

Access to the surrounding land is strictly forbidden and any Key-Fob holder disregarding this landowner stipulation will have their Key-Fob deactivated and their Key-Fob fee will be forfeited with immediate effect.

By signing this Application Form you confirm that you have read and will abide by the MCV Guidelines about the Bird Observatory which have been provided to you on the back of this form.

Signature.....

Fees are as follows. Please indicate your requirements and enclose the appropriate fee:

MCV Membership fee	£7.50..... (FREE for U18s in full-time education)
Key-Fob for MCV Members	£10.....
Key-Fob for Non-MCV Member	£25.....
One-off Donation:	£ .....
Total Enclosed:	£ .....

Cheque payments should be made out to: *Milford Conservation Volunteers*

Please post or hand-deliver to: David Cobbett, Hillside House, Barnes Lane, Milford on Sea, SO41 0RL

### *Important!! Please read on. How may we contact you?*

If you are joining MCV we would like to let you have our Newsletter and details about our AGM and to let you know about our various activities, such as our Task Days, social events, birding boat trips and various identification sessions. The ways in which this might be done will vary according to the circumstances.

Forthcoming changes in Data Protection Regulations mean that we, like many other organisations, need your consent before we can let you have such information by using the details you have given us above. Please be assured that these details are kept safe and secure for such purposes and that they will only be used by us without our sharing them with anyone else in any way. It is important that you indicate below all methods you are happy with.

Post (this may be via Royal Mail or hand delivery) [ ] Email [ ] Phone [ ] Text [ ]

If you want to change any of your choices later please let us know by emailing our Membership Secretary at [david.cobbett@briddicott.co.uk](mailto:david.cobbett@briddicott.co.uk) or drop a note to him at the address above. Thank You

## USERS OF THE OBSERVATORY DO SO AT THEIR OWN RISK

- The primary views from the Observatory windows will be northwards towards The Pans and northeast overlooking the lower pool of Avon Water. Please respect the privacy of the properties and occupants in Harewood Green to the northwest of the Observatory.
- Please be considerate to other users of the Observatory, e.g. keeping your voices down, especially when the viewing windows are open, and not putting your head, arms, telescope or camera through the viewing windows.
- When leaving the Observatory please ensure that the door is closed and that the light is switched off. Please take with you all of your belongings (including litter).
- The Observatory is for the quiet pursuit of bird watching, wildlife recording and wildlife photography. The building is not available for any other purpose.
- Schools, Guides and Scouting Associations will be allocated a single free Key-Fob each for accompanied visits to the Bird Observatory. The circulation and allocation of these Key-Fobs is the sole responsibility of the individual association for their youngsters who must always be accompanied by a responsible leader when visiting the Observatory.
- It is recognised that keyholders may wish to invite family and friends to visit the Observatory with them. These visits should be for a maximum of 4 people per visit including the keyholder who must always accompany his or her guests.
- It would be appreciated if guests made a small donation to the maintenance of the building, management of the site and to help keep the feed & grit trays filled. Money should be placed in the secure donations box provided. *The box is emptied daily.*
- **Parking:** There are six public spaces opposite the Observatory entrance gate which have no time limits on them. Further along the road to the east, just after the sluice-gate, there are further spaces with a time limit of four hours. If these are full, please do not park so that you are blocking other drivers or preventing them leaving. The NFDC Pay & Display car park opposite The Gun is very close by and if you intend staying for several hours to walk the coastal footpath and/or visit the Observatory, it is best that you park and pay there.
- **Toilet Facilities:** The nearest public WCs are in the NFDC Car Park a short walk away.

### USING YOUR KEY-FOB

- a) The first key-fob reader has been sensitively positioned on the inside of the left-hand gate post. Put your key-fob up close to the round black reader, give it a second to activate and push the gate inwards to open. Please don't allow the gate to slam shut onto the magnetic catch, but make sure that it has closed the gate.  
**WARNING - Strong winds will take the door out of your hands, so hold on tight!!**
- b) Walk to the door and you will find the second reader on the left-hand side of the door. Put your key-fob up to the reader, allow a second or two and then push the door open. The door latch/catch might be a little temperamental and some fine tuning will be required until it settles. Please close the door firmly behind you to make sure it locks.
- c) ***Always keep your key-fob with you at all times.*** If it is left inside the Observatory, you will not be able to re-activate the lock to re-gain entry or get the gate to open without it. In case of an emergency, ring Keith Metcalf (01590) 645825 or (07771) 918449
- d) To let yourself out of the Observatory, turn both door handles and close the door behind you.

**You MUST vacate the facility in summer BY 8 PM LATEST as your Key-fob automatically deactivates at that time. At other times of year please leave by dusk.**