



## Friends of Kempton Nature Reserve

### Members Permit – Conditions 01/02/2018

This Reserve is a Site of Special Scientific Interest (SSSI), a Wetland of International Importance (a RAMSAR site) and part of the South West London Water bodies Special Protection Area (SPA). It performs an important function as a wildfowl refuge because of the relative lack of disturbance as a result of controlled public access. Through the 'Friends Scheme' we provide opportunity for educational and recreational bird watching and general nature study. The purpose of these Conditions is to ensure that the nature conservation integrity and refuge qualities of the Reserve are not compromised by unsympathetic access.

As a Member of the Friends of Kempton Nature Reserve you must comply with the conditions set out below when visiting the Reserve. Failure to comply with these conditions may make it necessary for us to remove offenders from the Reserve and cancel their membership. Please let us know of any cases in which the conditions are infringed.

- 1 All persons entering the Reserve for the purpose of bird/wildlife watching must be in possession of a valid Friends of Kempton Nature Reserve Member's Permit for which a fee has been paid, unless permission has been sought from the Nature Reserve Manager. If you wish to bring in guests, please contact the Reserve Manager to discuss in advance.
- 2 The Reserve entrance is accessed at Nallhead Road and Main Street (near Lindon Bennett School). There is NO access via Kempton Park Water Treatment Works.
- 3 Access is allowed from **dawn to dusk**, except when closed as published. We reserve the right to close all or sections of the reserve at any time for any reason. Each permit holder under the age of 16 years must be accompanied by a permit holder aged 16 years or over, **who will be responsible for his or her conduct**.
- 4 Access to the reserve is gained via security key code panels on the entrance gate and bird hide gates. Security codes on these gates will be changed from time to time. Where possible, members will be notified at least seven days in advance of such changes. **Please ensure that all gates are closed and locked behind you** when leaving the reserve or the hides, and the combination cleared by pressing cancel(C). It is forbidden for members to pass on code details to non-members of the Friends Scheme.
- 5 The 'Friends of Kempton Nature Reserve' permit only allows use of the facilities at this Reserve. Additional access can be arranged to Hogsmill and Crossness Nature Reserves at no additional cost via the Kempton Nature Reserve Manager.
- 6 Permits shall be produced for inspection at any time when requested by our Staff, Wardens or other Friends. Permits are not transferable. ( **Please turn page over** )

- 7 Whilst on the Reserve yourself and any guests must stick to the designated pathways, and comply with signage, and any directions and instructions given by our Staff or Wardens relating to respect towards the wildlife present, our land, buildings or property. Access to the lake shore is strictly forbidden.
- 8 Please **notify us of any change of address or contact details including email** (for correspondence - newsletter, updated security codes etc.).
- 9 We reserve the right to refuse admission to any Member or withdraw membership for any reason including non-compliance with the Scheme Conditions. If Thames Water withdraws your membership you will not be entitled to a reimbursement of any fees.  
Except in respect of our own negligence, we will not be liable for any loss, damage or injury to members or their property.
- 10 Vehicle access is permitted to the car park only. No motorized transport or toy is permitted on the reserve. Please contact the Reserve Manager to discuss if you wish to ride a bicycle in the reserve.
- 11 The following are **not allowed** on the Reserve without the express and specific permission of the Manager:
  - leaving litter or anything else which may contaminate the Reserve.
  - release of any animal or plant into the Reserve.
  - interference with any apparatus, wildlife or grazing animals.
  - **dogs** and other animals.
  - entering the water for any purpose.
  - entering upon **ANY** part of the Reserve (i.e. including on top of the reservoir embankments) other than by the paths or other means of access provided and signposted.
  - the lighting of any fire.
  - shooting or trapping of any animal
  - removal of any plant or species without permission with the exception of blackberries.
  - any other activity inconsistent with the quiet enjoyment of the nature reserve and the protection of its wildlife interest.

**I have read the above conditions of membership and agree to abide by them:**

1st Person Signature: .....

Print Name: .....

Date: .....

(Joint) 2nd Person Signature: .....

Print Name: .....

Date: .....