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COACH OUTINGS

These are organised by Mike Hughes on behalf of the Havering RSPB Local Group. Do contact him if you have any queries you cannot answer from this leaflet.

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Booking a place

Booking beforehand is essential. Please note the deadline for bookings and don't leave it too late. If too few people are booked, we may have to cancel the outing; we decide this one week before the planned date.

- **Booking by post:** please send to Mike Hughes your name(s), number of seats, date and destination, pick-up place, a telephone number and a cheque (payable to **RSPB Havering Local Group**). If booking more than one trip, please send separate cheques. Include a stamped addressed envelope for your receipt and confirmation of booking.
- **Booking by email:** Email Mike Hughes (**n.b. new email address**) with the same details as required by post. He will reply to confirm your booking and then you can proceed with paying on line. When Mike has confirmation of your payment, he will acknowledge your booking by email.

Money

A seat on the coach costs £18. You can pay by cheque (as above) or on line but **not** in cash. If you bank on-line, you can pay on-line - with different banks the exact words used vary.

1. *Log in to on-line banking and select 'Payments & Transfers'*
2. *Select 'Pay a bill or transfer' and then 'Pay another person'.*
3. *Enter Destination Sort Code (30-90-79) and Destination Account Number (31470168)*
4. *Enter Destination Name (RSPB Havering Local Group) or as much as will fit in.*
5. *Enter Reference (Your surname and initial)*
6. *For the first such payment, your bank may ask you to generate a 'Transaction Security Code' before you log out. **Note change in bank details.***

If you have booked a seat and can't come, please tell Mike as soon as possible; there may be people on a waiting list. Within a week of cancellation, it may be possible to transfer your payment to another trip of your choice. If there is any last-minute reason that you can't come, you can phone him on the morning of the trip, between 6:00am and 6:30am.

A voluntary raffle is held on the coach. To keep down the cost of the coach outings, the raffle profit is added to the coach revenue. We usually return about 7pm.

Pick-up points

All the coach pick-up points are at bus stops – for some, we have the code on the sign. Redbridge and Newbury Park Tube stations have big car parks, all day on Saturdays for £2.60.

07:00hr - **Redbridge Tube Station** – by station entrance.

07:05hr - **Gants Hill (A12)** – First bus stop (EC) along Eastern Avenue – Eastward bound.

07:10hr - **Newbury Park Station (A12)** – Station Bus Stops (NA)

07:30hr - **Romford Town Centre** on St Edwards Way just after Church Lane, first bus stop.

07:37hr - On the A12 Colchester Road, about 50 yards after the **Gallows Corner** roundabout.

07:45hr - On the A12 Colchester Road, just past the traffic lights at Gooshays Drive.

07:47hr - On the A12 Colchester Road, just before the junction with Dagnam Park Drive.

The coach will not wait for latecomers, so please don't have an extra ten minutes in bed.

What you need

There are hot drinks available at almost all reserves that we visit, but most have only limited food, so it is probably best to bring a **packed lunch**. As usual, optics/camera.

On all outings we advise strong **waterproof footwear** and warm **waterproof clothing**. Please bring a change of footwear or boot-covers for the homeward journey to avoid dirtying the coach, especially when the ground is muddy/wet, though the shingle at Dungeness means the ground is seldom very muddy.

RSPB membership cards are needed on all visits to RSPB reserves. If you can't show your card, you may well be charged for a non-refundable permit. Or likewise, WWT cards where applicable.

The coach company remind us by that it is a legal requirement that before the coach can move off "all passengers are seated and have their seat belts in place". Also that we must "take note of all emergency exits in case of an incident" – i.e. much like the advice from airlines.

Booking Forms

You don't have to use these forms, but they may help you to be sure you provide the information needed. For instance, it is most important that we can:

- confirm your booking (stamped addressed envelope or email address)
- tell you about any unexpected last-minute changes (telephone number).

Just send the completed slip with your cheque to Mike Hughes - address in the box overleaf.

Date: **24 March 2018**

To **RSPB Lakenheath Fen, Suffolk**

• *Book before 16 March*

Name: _____ Please reserve _____ seats at £18 per seat Total cost of seats £ _____

Tel no. _____ Email address _____

Please tick your pick-up point

Redbridge Tube Station <input type="checkbox"/>	Gants Hill <input type="checkbox"/>	Newbury Park Station <input type="checkbox"/>
Romford Town Centre <input type="checkbox"/>	Gallows Corner <input type="checkbox"/>	Harold Hill <input type="checkbox"/> Harold Park <input type="checkbox"/>

Date: **28 April 2018**

To **Paxton Pits, Huntingdon, Cambridgeshire**

• *Book before 20 April*

Name: _____ Please reserve _____ seats at £18 per seat Total cost of seats £ _____

Tel no. _____ Email address _____

Please tick your pick-up point

Redbridge Tube Station <input type="checkbox"/>	Gants Hill <input type="checkbox"/>	Newbury Park Station <input type="checkbox"/>
Romford Town Centre <input type="checkbox"/>	Gallows Corner <input type="checkbox"/>	Harold Hill <input type="checkbox"/> Harold Park <input type="checkbox"/>

No coach outing in May

Date: **2 June 2018**

To **RSPB Minsmere, Suffolk**

• *Book before 25 May*

Name: _____ Please reserve _____ seats at £18 per seat Total cost of seats £ _____

Tel no. _____ Email address _____

Please tick your pick-up point

Redbridge Tube Station <input type="checkbox"/>	Gants Hill <input type="checkbox"/>	Newbury Park Station <input type="checkbox"/>
Romford Town Centre <input type="checkbox"/>	Gallows Corner <input type="checkbox"/>	Harold Hill <input type="checkbox"/> Harold Park <input type="checkbox"/>