Welcome to Ballard Water Meadow

Located only a few hundred metres north of the bustling centre of New Milton, and not far from the local duck pond, Ballard Water Meadow is a treasured tranquil spot and nature reserve. Prized by local people, the site provides a gentle walk or a place to sit and reflect.

The meadow, and the woodland next to it, is owned by New Milton Town Council and maintained by us, the Friends of Ballard Water Meadow, according to a plan devised jointly with the New Forest Land Advice Service, Natural England and the New Forest National Park.

Maintenance of Ballard Water Meadow takes work and the support of the local residents. If you would like to help maintain this valuable local resource, membership of the Friends costs a measly £5 a year and conservation volunteers meet for 2 hours every Friday and Sunday morning at 10.30am. You are more than welcome to join us by the metal gate at the western end of the reserve on Lake Grove Road.

In any case, we would love to see you enjoying a gentle stroll around Ballard Water Meadow and Woar Copse, just as we do.

Please ring New Milton Town Council on 01425 619120 for further information or fill in the contact form to the right of this page. Of course, we would love to have you join us as a member and the application form for this is found by
clicking the button below.

Join Us to Help Conserve This Important Countryside Area
Can You Help Us?

The Friends of Ballard Water Meadow offer a warm welcome to conservation volunteers, members and supporters.

When?

Friday and Sunday at 10.30am.

Where?

We meet by the metal gate on Lake Grove Road.

Why?

To restore and conserve the meadow and woodland habitats.

All ages and abilities are welcome: all you need to wear are stout footwear, old clothes and sturdy gloves – all tools and equipment are provided. No experience is necessary.

What are the Benefits of Volunteering With Us?

- Fresh air and exercise.
- Meet new people (and your neighbours!).
- Learn new skills.
- Understand conservation issues.
- Learn about the natural world on your doorstep.
- Helping your community.

For more information ring Alan on 07890 326763

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