

## Charity Gift Aid Declaration

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I want to Gift Aid my membership subscription and any donations I make in the future or have made in the past 4 years to Rutland Natural History Society (Charity No. 514693).

I am a UK taxpayer and understand that if I pay less Income Tax and/or Capital Gains Tax than the amount of Gift Aid claimed on all my donations in that tax year it is my responsibility to pay any difference.

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First name

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Postcode

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Date

Please notify the RNHS Membership Secretary if you wish to: cancel this declaration, change your name or address, or no longer pay sufficient tax on your income and/or capital gains.

If you pay Income Tax at the higher or additional rate and want to receive the additional tax relief due to you, you must include all your Gift Aid donations on your Self-Assessment tax return or ask HM Revenue and Customs to adjust your tax code.

After completion please send to:

Margaret Conner *Membership Secretary*

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# rnhs

RUTLAND NATURAL HISTORY SOCIETY

RNHS members are a group of people with a shared interest in the wildlife of our county – join us to see a different side of Rutland.

Explore our county (and beyond) in a series of field trips throughout the year.

Join summer workshops on such subjects as birds, flowers, insects, bats, mammals, fungi; and enjoy long evenings moth trapping and glow-worm spotting.

Come to winter evening meetings in Oakham for stimulating talks and the exchange of news.

Read all about it in the RNHS newsletter *Fieldfare* (published every couple of months).

If you're a beginner, this is a great opportunity to deepen your understanding of the natural world and contribute to its conservation

If you're an expert, we would greatly value your contribution to our recording community.

## What is RNHS about?

### Contributing to the National Record

The work of the RNHS is focused by the Society's Recorders, each expert in different areas of the natural world: amphibians and reptiles, birds, botany, butterflies, moths, orthoptera, plant galls, glow-worms, other insects and invertebrates, mammals, bats, fungi and rivers.

RNHS members are encouraged to report wildlife findings to Recorders, who confirm and collect observations. They report their general findings in *Fieldfare*. They also stream raw data to the appropriate recording communities responsible for maintaining the National Records.

### Keeping a watching brief

RNHS members have helped record:

- ▶ the arrival of Ravens from the west, and Little Egrets from the south
- ▶ the decline in Nightingales and Corn Buntings
- ▶ butterflies new to Rutland such as Silver-washed Fritillaries and Chalkhill Blues
- ▶ the move north of the Roesel's Bush Cricket and the Long-winged Conehead, and the slow decline of the Common Green Grasshopper

and much more – such as:

- ▶ volunteering with Osprey Watch
- ▶ monitoring and observing water voles following their reintroduction at Rutland Water
- ▶ monitoring species on Rutland's listed verges and keeping watch for accidental damage

The Society website includes up-to-date information on field trips, workshops and meetings and full details about our electronic recording scheme.

**Joining RNHS will alter your perspective of the countryside on your doorstep.**

[www.rnhs.org.uk](http://www.rnhs.org.uk)



## RNHS membership application

Annual subscription is currently £10 per adult (children are free).

Name & title

Address

Email

Telephone

I would like to receive *Fieldfare* by:

Paper copy

Email

**Apart from joining at a meeting, you have two ways to pay:**

**Cheques** should be made payable to Rutland Natural History Society. If you are paying this way please attach your cheque to this form.

**Internet banking:** you can pay direct to the Rutland Natural History Society account at Lloyds Bank, sort code 77-15-19, account number 13123968, and include your name in the reference field. Please confirm by email to: [mjconner100@gmail.com](mailto:mjconner100@gmail.com)

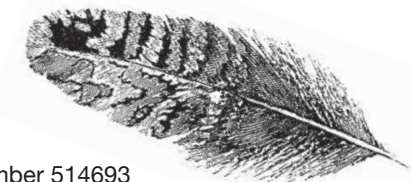
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