

TITCHFIELD HAVEN Nature Reserve Visit – Sunday 9th February 2025 - 10.30am



Join us for a **guided walk** from a very knowledgeable volunteer around this nationally renowned wetland nature reserve with a rich habitat of rivers, marshlands, and scrapes. It's excellent for birdwatching with visitors hoping to spot a rare species as well as shovelers, pintail, godwit, lapwing, redshank, snipe and many more. Bearded tits are also resident.

The walk will consist of two parts - the **Boardwalk Trail** and the **Scrapes Trail** and will be around 2 hours depending on stops and what we see. The Boardwalk Trail is on the east side of the River Meon and is half a mile to the hide at the end and then back again. There are two hides to visit on this walk, with seating in each hide and benches along the way. The path is flat and easy walking.

The Scrapes Trail is a 1.3 mile return walk on the west side of the river, with four hides (also with seating) and a couple of benches along the route. The terrain is a mixture of packed gravel and grass pathways. The path leading up to the furthest hide (Spurgin Hide) can become quite muddy during wet, wintry weather, so wellies or waterproof boots are advisable.

The walk will start at **10.30am** at the reception area – please be prompt. Parking is at the Hove-To public car park (**Cliff Road, Fareham, PO14 3JT** – journey time from Bracknell **just under 1.5 hours**) The only toilets at the site are in the corner of this car park so please arrive in plenty of time to use them and then it's a short walk along the harbour to the reception area. There is no café unfortunately just a hot drinks machine and snacks so bring a packed lunch or Titchfield Mill pub is a short drive away.

The entrance fee is **£6.50 for adults** and **£5.50 for seniors**. To secure your place on the guided walk payment will be required **in advance** either in cash at a BFNHS Meeting to Heather King or bank transfer – email bfhnsprog@gmail.com to arrange details and to put your name on the list.

We look forward to seeing you there! Heather King, Events Officer