

# Wildlife Watch Club at Grow Wilder – Covid safety

Dear Wildlife Watch families,

We are relaunching our popular Wildlife Watch club and hope to see some of you there on the first Saturday of each month. Due to the current Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic, we are changing how we work and run activities at Avon Wildlife Trust, in order to keep participants at our events and our staff safe, as far as is reasonably practicable. This means that booking for Wildlife Watch is now essential. We will be using minimal kit and inviting families explore the site in a 'self-guided' way, with guidance from our staff. We have waived our normal £5 attendance charge to reflect the modified nature of the sessions.

Before you can attend **Wildlife Watch**, please read and sign the following Covid-19 procedures, to indicate your agreement with these procedures. Thank you!

These procedures are based on our current risk assessments. Due to the changing situation with Coronavirus, this guidance (dated 1<sup>st</sup> Aug 2020) may be subject to changes and in which case, we will review our procedures.

- If you or anyone in your household has symptoms of COVID-19 on the day of Wildlife Watch club or in the previous 14 days you must not attend.
- If you or anyone in your household start exhibiting symptoms of COVID-19 within 10 days of attending Wildlife Watch Club you must contact us as well as NHS Track and trace.
- The current NHS advice is that testing should be done within 5 days of developing symptoms.
- Each Wildlife Watch club session will begin with a health and safety talk, to remind everyone of the rules and procedures in place to keep everybody safe.
- Parents are responsible for ensuring that your children maintain social distancing during the session and whilst on site at Grow Wilder. If social distancing cannot be maintained you may have to leave the session to ensure everyone's safety.
- In line with current government guidance, we will be limiting the size of the groups who can attend Wildlife Watch. We will take bookings for 5 families only, with 3 people per family- a maximum of 15 people, excluding staff. We regret that we will have to turn away families who haven't booked, however there will be self-led activities available on site too!
- Wildlife Watch Club will take place outside, which reduces the risk of Covid transmission. Please come dressed for all weather, and consider bringing an umbrella. In the event of poor weather, we may use indoor spaces, but only where social distancing is possible. We will also open windows where possible to improve ventilation We have carefully considered all activities and are only running activities where social distancing can be maintained.
- Cleaning and disinfecting of indoor surfaces and 'high-touch' places will be enhanced (banisters, door handles, tables etc).
- All communal areas such as toilets will be cleaned and disinfected regularly with hand-sanitiser available outside toilets and other communal spaces.
- Hand sanitiser will be provided around site and we will pause for hand washing and/or hand sanitising as frequently as necessary.
- We ask all families to bring their own food and drink, and to not share food or drink with others.
- In the event of first aid being needed, parents may be asked to administer this themselves (e.g plasters), or if first aid must be administered by staff, masks will be worn by all adults for whom it is safe to do so.
- Whenever possible, equipment and resources will not be shared but if they are, they will be cleaned and disinfected between uses.

	<b>Please X</b>
I have read and understood the Coronavirus procedures provided to me about attending Wildlife Watch.	
<p>I understand that I must not attend if I meet the criteria for self-isolating. This includes if:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- I have tested positive for Coronavirus or have Coronavirus symptoms (a high temperature, a new, continuous cough or a loss or change to your sense of smell or taste) on the day I attend Wildlife Watch or within the previous 10 days</li> <li>- Anyone in my household, in my 'support bubble', or anyone I have had close contact with, has tested positive for Coronavirus or has had symptoms in the 14 days prior to when I volunteer</li> <li>- <u>I've been told by NHS Test and Trace that I've been in contact with a person with Coronavirus</u> in the past 14 days</li> <li>- I have been advised to shield by a medical professional</li> </ul>	
I understand that during Wildlife Watch, I remain responsible for ensuring that my child/ren maintain social distancing, and that if this can't be maintained we may have to leave the session to ensure everyone's safety.	

<b>I have read and understood the Coronavirus procedures provided to me by Avon Wildlife Trust</b>			
<b>Signed</b>		<b>Date</b>	
<b><i>Parent or guardian (if under 18)</i></b>			
<b>Name</b>		<b>Date</b>	
<b>Signed</b>		<b>Relationship to young person</b>	