

# VISIT TO FOBNEY ISLAND WETLAND NATURE RESERVE

MEET 09.45 at  
The Cunning Man  
Burghfield  
RG30 3RD

**WORLD WETLAND DAY**  
**2<sup>nd</sup> FEBRUARY 2019**  
**09.45- 12.30 .ish**

Bring:  
Walking Boots or Wellies  
Warm clothes  
Binoculars or Telescope

**THE LODDON FISHERIES & CONSERVATION CONSULTATIVE**  
**in conjunction with**  
**THE LODDON CATCHMENT PARTNERSHIP**  
**&**  
**ACTION FOR THE RIVER KENNET**



**A morning walk is planned from the Cunning Man Public House at Burghfield, along the River Kennet to Fobney Island Wetland, where we will be guided by Graham Scholey from The Environment Agency who was actively involved in planning the establishment of the wetland. We will then amble our way back along the Kennet & Avon Canal for lunch at the Cunning Man. The event is free but, sorry - lunch is not included!**

**As this is a reserve, in some areas of the site, dogs are not allowed, therefore for this walk, please do not bring your dog.**

## *The Fobney Island Wetland Site*

*The result of a multi-partner collaboration between Reading Borough Council, the Environment Agency, Thames Water, the Berkshire Ornithological Club, the Thames Valley Restoration Trust and Reading & District Angling Association this wetland reserve lies just to the south of Reading centre, between the River Kennet and the Kennet & Avon Canal.*

*Coming to fruition with a £500,000 project that started in September 2011, the river restoration works included restoring 300-400 metres of the River Kennet and introducing new river gravels to the channel to create 'riffles'. The level of the island has been lowered to allow more flooding and the creation of pools, scrapes and reed-beds. The scheme includes two bird screens with views across the new wetlands. Information boards at the site entrance points provide information about the wetland and its wildlife*

**To register your interest in attending please email:- [events@lfcc.org.uk](mailto:events@lfcc.org.uk)**