

### Who are we?

The group has existed since 2000 and continues to seek to make an impact on the conservation of barn owls in the North, South, East & Mid Cheshire area.

We are people from many walks of life with varying degrees of knowledge about barn owls but are united in our concern about the decline of this wonderful bird and want to contribute to it's survival.

### Why?

In 1932 there were 240 pairs of barn owls in Cheshire but by 1985 there were just 35 pairs. This represented a decline in Cheshire of 85% against an average decline of 69% in England & Wales. That was bad enough but worse was to follow and in 1999 only 10 breeding pairs were recorded in Cheshire.

So, although barn owls had special protection under the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981, numbers had declined. We aimed to reverse this trend in Cheshire. Indeed, by 2007, through the work of this and other like minded groups in Cheshire, there was recovery to over 150 pairs. Since then numbers have been erratic but all the same sufficient for the barn owl population to survive.

Despite the improvement in the barn owl's prospects the continued survival of the barn owl is dependant on groups like ours and it's important that our work continues.

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### What can be done?

There is an enormous amount of work still to do, including:

- Record and follow up sightings
- Locate and protect existing breeding sites
- Locate and develop suitable breeding sites, providing nest boxes if necessary
- Encourage the creation or recovery of suitable habitats for hunting and breeding
- Monitor the population of barn owls in the area
- Work together with any organisation or individual that has an impact on the conservation of barn owls.

### Contact Us

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**WE NEED YOUR HELP!!**

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(Incorporating North, North East, East And South Cheshire Groups.)

A member of the Cheshire Barn Owl Groups dedicated to protecting and supporting the barn owls of Cheshire.

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## Types of Membership/Donation

1. Standard Individual Membership  
£5.00 per year per individual

2. Standard Family Membership  
£10.00 per year per family

3. Platinum Membership  
Open to individuals or families to pay whatever subscription rate plus donation they consider appropriate [over and above the individual/family rates]

4. Membership plus Nest Box Sponsorship  
Membership [as above] plus sponsorship of a barn owl box.

Open to individuals or families to pay whatever subscription they consider appropriate [but a minimum overall subscription rate of £20 per year]. This option will give the member two letters per year updating them on the 'activities' in the particular box allocated to them.

For landowner confidentiality reasons it may not be possible to inform the member of the exact location of the box sponsored by them; but the box allocated will be as close as reasonably possible to their home address.

5. Life Time Membership  
A minimum of £100.00 per person a year.

6. Donation By Cheque

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## Benefits of Membership

The knowledge that you are helping to protect and support one of our most threatened but much loved birds.

The Group's Newsletter updating you of our work, successes and activities 3-4 times a year.

Attendance at the Group's AGM and bi-monthly meetings together with all other organised activities (i.e. Box making days, talks, box erecting, etc).

### Membership Application/Renewal/Donation

Please complete the details below and tick the appropriate box (one only) for the membership level required, then complete the Standing Order form or enclose a cheque to the appropriate amount (made out to the Mid Cheshire Barn Owl Conservation Group) and send to:

Mr. D. Kerr, Membership Secretary, Mid Cheshire Barn Owl Conservation Group, 30 Fieldway, Weaverham, Cheshire. CW8 3HW

Name:.....

Address:.....

Telephone:.....

Email:.....

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### Instruction to your Bank/Building Society

I wish to pay by Standing Order.  
To the Manager of the.....  
Address.....

Please pay Barclays Bank plc, Holmes Chapel

Sort Code: 20-53-77

Account Number: 50707686

Account Name: Mid Cheshire Barn Owl  
Conservation Group

The sum of: £

Amount in words: .....

Commencing.....and then

\*Monthly/Quarterly/Yearly thereafter.

\*Until notice in writing/until the date:.....

(\*delete as applicable)

Name of account to be debited:.....

Account number:.....

Sort Code:.....

Please delete all other standing orders or direct debits in favour of the above beneficiary.

Signature(s):.....

Date:.....

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