

Habitats Mitigation Contribution Agreement

Contributions

The Solent and Southampton Water Special Protection Area (SPA) – This contribution is the sum of £181.00 for each net increase in dwellings. .

The New Forest Special Protection Area (SPA) – This contribution is the sum of £1,300.00 for each net increase in dwellings.

Some parts of Southern Test Valley Borough Council fall within both designation areas and so both contributions will be sought to mitigate the impact of development designation.

Submission of completed forms

The Local Planning Authority will not issue planning permission unless or until either:

- (i) A signed copy of the Habitats Mitigation Contribution Agreement form with proof of payment of the relevant contribution has been made to the Borough Council, and received by the case officer, or
- (ii) A Unilateral Undertaking has been completed that secures the Obligation to pay the contribution prior to commencement of development, and that the completed agreement has been received by the case officer.

Note: Please use either **Agreement A** (for contribution towards only the New Forest SPA) or **Agreement B** (where contributions are required for both designations).

Habitats Mitigation Contribution Agreement form: This form is to be used when immediate payment is being made. This payment will not be the subject of Index Linked inflation (RPI).

Only use the Habitats Mitigation Contribution Agreement form if the cumulative value of contributions will not exceed £5000.00. If the value exceeds this amount please complete a Unilateral Undertaking.

Unilateral Undertaking: This must be completed if the payment isn't being made before the application is decided. The contribution will be subject to Index Linked inflation (RPI).

Payment

Payment can be made in the following ways:

By Cheque – made payable to Test Valley Borough Council, and submitted with your form.

By Debit Card – telephone 01264 368000 and speak to our Customers Services Team – please make sure you quote “SPA **plus application number**”.

By BACs payment – Lloyds Bank

Account Name: Test Valley Borough Council

Sort Code: 30-80-12

Account Number: 1052 3768

Reference: “SPA **plus application number**”

Notes for completing forms

1. Form 1 - **Habitats Mitigation Contribution Agreement.**
 - 1.1 Please enter the application reference number, full site address, including postcode, and amount of contribution on page 1 of the form where indicated.
 - 1.2 Please sign and date this form and include your full name (either applicant or agent) on page 2.
2. **Unilateral Undertaking.**
 - 2.1 Please complete **Unilateral Undertaking Agreement A**, where the impact is **ONLY on the New Forest SPA**.
 - 2.1.1 Please complete all those sections where the text is shown as **RED**.
 - 2.2 Please complete **Unilateral Undertaking Agreement B**, where the impact is for **BOTH the Solent and New Forest SPAs**.
 - 2.2.1 Please complete all those sections where the text is shown as **RED**.