

The Society responded to the consultation on the proposal for a large, offshore wind farm to the north-east of Lundy, known as the Atlantic Array. We expressed particular concern about noise both above and below water level; about sediment disturbance and any siltation that might occur on rich seabed communities; about the uncertainties associated with effects on seabirds and mammals during the operational phase; and about visual amenity in particular. We will continue to engage in the consultation process as and when a formal planning application is made.

We continue to represent the Society, through our Chairman, at the Lundy Management Forum, and we are grateful to Robert Irving who continues to serve as Secretary of the Lundy Marine Conservation Zone Advisory Group.

At the 2012 AGM, we adopted a new constitution which reflects good governance and the requirements of the Charity Commission. We added a Vice Chairman to the officers and formally recognised the Honorary Membership Secretary as an officer. During the year, we held four committee meetings.

MICHAEL WILLIAMS
March 2013

HONORARY MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY'S REPORT

I would like to thank members for continuing to pay their annual subscriptions, and also thank those who have sent donations to the Society in addition to their subscription payments. The Society appreciates all donations and is grateful for such kind gestures whether large or small. I would like to take this opportunity to remind Life and Honorary members that they may if they wish also give donations or pay an annual subscription to support the Society's finances.

Current subscription rates

Ordinary £15 Family £18

Subscription rates continue to remain unchanged, but I would be grateful if members would ensure they are paying the correct amount. Please note that the concessionary rate for pensioners and students was discontinued in March 2009 and consequently only members who were paying the concessionary rate before 2009 are entitled to pay the £10 rate. Many who are entitled to pay the concessionary rate do in fact pay the full £15 ordinary rate. My thanks to those members for their continued support.

A reminder that annual subscriptions are due in January. The Society prefers payments to be made by Standing Order and I can provide the necessary forms for anyone wishing to begin paying by that method. For members wishing to continue paying by cheque, please make your cheque payable to 'Lundy Field Society' and send it to me by post to the address given at the end of this report.

Subscription reminders

Forty-nine subscription reminders were sent out in July to members who had not paid their annual subscription. I am pleased to report that as a result 25 members paid their membership fees and remain members of the Society. Those who did not respond to the reminders have now been removed from the membership database and mailing list.

Membership in 2012

Type	Number
Corporate	1
Family	91
Honorary	16
Life	64
Ordinary	153
Organisations	3
Pensioner	57
Total	385 (476)

The figure of 476 represents an estimate of the total number of Society members if each 'family' membership is counted as having two members, and of course some 'family' memberships involve more than two individuals. Family membership may be taken out when two or more individuals at one address wish to become members, and who are happy to receive just one copy of each of the Society's publications. The Society's publications are also sent to 16 institutions and six bird observatories.

It is with regret that I have to inform you that three of our members passed away last year:

Mr Stan Rendell
Mr Graham Ackers
Mrs Sue Heaven

Membership trends

I am pleased to be able to report that membership of the Society continues to increase:

2008	350 members
2009	373 members
2010	365 members
2011	376 members
2012	385 members

New members

I would like to welcome the record-breaking 37 new members who joined the Society in 2012:

Name	Main interest
Karen Barnard	Lundy
Andrew Bell	Lundy
Graeme Bence	Geology
Mr & Mrs Bentley and Family	Butterflies
John & Sylvia Buchanan	Natural history
Prof. Terry Burke	Birds – especially House Sparrows
Rosemary Charwood	Birds
Dave Stone & Vanessa Cook	Walking
Nigel Dalby	Islander
David Dench	Botany
Andy & Jenny Gibbs	Ornithology
Paul Gregory	Lundy
Katy Hodgson-Ball	Marine biology

John Horton	Birds
Michael Jones	Wildlife / landscape photography
Alan Kellow	Books
Anne Kilby & Ellen Carter	Lundy
Paul Knight	Lundy
Rupert Lewin & Anne Haley	Lundy
Sonya Lindsell	Lundy
Keith Lugg	Myriapods
Philip & Helen Lymbery	Birdwatching
Robert Merrill	Birds
Michael & Sharron Newman	Terrestrial birds
Luke Phillips	Bird ringing
Petra Pulkus	LFS Bulletin
Geoffrey Rawle	Lundy
Tim Robbins	Lundy
Brian Rowland	Flora & Fauna
Gabriele Schmidlein	History
Robert & Felicity Shepherd	Birds
Donald & Jeanie Shiers	Diving / marine
Peter Slader	Lundy
Shelley & Rachel Southon	Islanders
Natalie Squires	Lundy
Jan Whittington	Wildlife
Isabel Winney	House Sparrows

Postal and email addresses

In order to keep the membership database up to date please inform me if you change your postal address or e-mail address. Publications returned to me which then have to be re-sent costs the Society extra expense, so please let me know as soon as possible if you have a new address. The Society does occasionally email information or offers to members, so please help me to keep our records up to date by informing me if you have changed your email address or have recently started using the internet and now have an email address, we will then be able to include you in any information we send electronically.

My contact details

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