

CILIP SW Members Network

Group visit to the Meteorological Office Library and Archive, Exeter

Wednesday 15th November 2017



The tour will be split into two parts, with the morning visit to the Met Office and Library, an optional social lunch in the Met Office Cafeteria, then the afternoon will be to the Met Office Archive. Note that the Archive is housed across the road at Great Moor House (shared facility with Devon Heritage Service).

The library and archive are vital for maintaining the public memory of the weather, storing meteorological records and facilitating learning.

The library collection contains a large variety of material on meteorology, climatology and related sciences, being one of the country's most comprehensive collections on meteorology.

The National Meteorological Archive houses the national memory of the weather. The collections include books, diaries, records, charts and other materials relating to meteorology, climatology and weather forecasting. These encompass official Met Office records, which date from 1854 onwards, older records and

publications which illustrate the development of the science of meteorology, and the archive of the Royal Meteorological Society.

The National Meteorological Library and Archive serves both Met Office staff and the wider public, free at the point of use, as part of the Met Office Public Weather Service.

Times: 10.45 for 11.00 am start at the Met Office. Break for lunch 1 - 1.45. 2pm start at Great Moor House. Aim to finish around 3.30 - 4pm.

Location: Met Office FitzRoy Road Exeter Devon EX1 3PB, further details at

https://www.metoffice.gov.uk/about-us/contact/in-exeter. There is plenty of free parking.

Devon Heritage Service, Great Moor House Bittern Road Sowton Exeter EX2 7NL, further details at https://www.swheritage.org.uk/devon-archives. Parking on road or preferably use the Honiton Road Park & Ride car park next door. Map here: http://www.devon.gov.uk/gmh-directions.pdf.

Travel: There is easy access by car from the M5 and A30, with plenty of car parking. Car sharing - If you can offer a lift or need a lift, state on the form. There is a good rail service to Exeter, and frequent buses to the Honiton Road Park & Ride car park from Exeter High St. See https://new.devon.gov.uk/roadsandtransport/parking/park-and-ride.

Cost: There will be a £5 fee towards CILIP SW Network funds, payable on the day.

Lunch: Join the optional social lunch in the Met Office cafeteria, or use the snacks & drinks machines at Great Moor House, or bring your own sandwiches.

Security: You must confirm you have UK nationality, or let me know which other nationality you have by 31/10/17, so I can inform the Met Office. You must bring with you a proof of identity on the day. This could be a suitable official work badge.

CPD: You may request a certificate, towards qualifying or revalidation.

To Book: Email the completed form below to: <u>Valerie.bearne@tesco.net</u>, or call 01626 684526 or 07977 901944. Numbers are limited to 12 in total. A waiting list may be started for a future date if there is sufficient demand. Please book before 31/10/17 so I can confirm to everyone that the visit is going ahead.

Name	CILIP	Email address	Mobile	Social	Lift needed or offered	Nationality
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