

THE PACKING SHED

INFORMATION FOR HIRERS

Access to the Island and the Shed:

- ❖ Access is difficult and muddy at **low tide**, especially for the less mobile and after sunset. It is easier to arrive and leave up to 4 hours either side of high tide.

Launches

- ❖ The launch driver will hold a key to the main door of the shed. It must be returned at the end of the event
- ❖ Lifejackets are available for all guests, on both launches
- ❖ Both launches can carry a maximum of 9 people each. Each launch takes 15 mins to do a round trip so it will take a minimum of 40 minutes to transport 50 people

Launch Drivers

- ❖ Please remember these are volunteers and give their time for free. They are not on call to run last minute errands

Disabled Guests

- ❖ Please inform the Trust beforehand if you have someone in a wheelchair.
- ❖ You will need to provide extra muscle to lift them on and off the launch.
- ❖ Access for disabled guests is only possible 2 hours either side of high tide

Practicalities

- ❖ **Footwear:** waterproof footwear is recommended for getting on and off the island. The beach is covered with oyster shells which cut feet.
- ❖ **Fresh Water:** launch drivers can supply large plastic containers for water. You will need to fill these from the tap at the end of the Hammerhead. The containers must be returned empty at the end of the event.
- ❖ **Toilet:** the cistern is filled using rainwater collected from the roof so water is scarce. Please ask your guests not to flush every time. During dry spells the tanks will need refilling from the Hammerhead tap. Gel is provided to sanitise hands after using the toilet.
- ❖ **A First Aid Kit** is provided in the shed. Please complete the accident book which is located above the kit, if necessary
- ❖ **Crockery:** although limited crockery is available remember that it must be washed and dried before you leave. You may find it easier to use paper plates.
- ❖ **Cutlery:** there is none available. Take your own or use plastic disposable cutlery.
- ❖ **Generator:** this is located outside the far end shed and clear instructions for its use are attached to the wall by the far door. Fuel for the generator is provided.
- ❖ **Torch:** if you are using the shed after dark you will need torches.
- ❖ **Supplies:** you will need:
 - **Toilet rolls**
 - **Tea towels**
 - **Washing up liquid**
 - **Bin bags – take rubbish back to skips outside toilet in car park**