

Metal Detecting Permit

For the use of a metal detector on land owned by Kettering Borough Council

1. Kettering Borough Council have given permission to '**Individuals Name**' (the permit holder) of '**Address**' for the use of metal detecting on a defined area of Borough owned land edged in red on the attached plan.
2. The permit is for three calendar months from the 1st **Month, Year**.
3. A fee is payable in advance. The fee is £30 or £15 for Kettering Leisure Pass members. Cheques should be made payable to Kettering Borough Council.
4. All Bye-Laws applicable to the specified area must be observed.
5. The permit holder will ensure that no nuisance is caused to other users and local residents.
6. As general information, the permit holder needs to note that any protected land under this scheme cannot be detected on. Areas can be checked at www.magic.gov.uk. Kettering Borough Council have identified that the defined area is not protected under the Environmental Stewardship Scheme or Scheduled Ancient Monuments.
7. All archaeological finds are the property of the Borough Council. The permit holder is required to report any finds of archaeological interest to the Museum and Art Gallery Manager, Manor House Museum, Kettering, Telephone 01536 410333. The Acquisition and Disposal Policy for Kettering Museum states that:

'2.1.2 – The acquisition of archaeological material is not currently a priority. However with consideration of the growth agenda and its impact on the Borough of Kettering, the museum is in an excellent position to collect archaeological material, particularly as the museum has a sensitive archaeological store. However, acceptance of archaeological material will be subject to strict selection based on provenance, degree of research, report writing and uniqueness of finds and conservation requirements'
8. The permit holder enters onto the land entirely at his/her own risk and shall not hold the Borough Council liable for any loss or injury sustained as a result of entering onto the land.

9. The permit holder will take care to minimise damage to plants and other wildlife and must adhere to any restrictions, temporary or otherwise, notified to him/her by the Borough Council.
10. The permit holder is not allowed to disturb any land within a 3 metre circumference of any trees or shrubs.
11. All holes made as a result of investigating actual or potential finds must be backfilled immediately, carefully and safely and any turf disturbed must be replaced to the satisfaction of the Borough Council.
12. The permit holder is not allowed to metal detect within 3 metres of the children's play area that is located within the defined area. Care must be taken at all times to avoid the paths of children and young people.
13. In the event of the permit holder believing he/she has discovered a hoard, whether scattered or undisturbed, or other deposit of archaeological interest, work must cease immediately and the matter be reported as soon as possible to the Museum and Art Gallery Manager of Manor House Museum, Telephone 01536 410333.
14. The permit holder must record as closely as possible, the find spots of all finds of archaeological interest.
15. If live ammunition or other hazardous objects are found the permit holder must mark the spot clearly and report to the Police immediately.
16. The Permit Holder will abide at all times by the 'Code of Practice for Responsible Metal Detecting in England and Wales' and 'The Portable Antiquities Scheme – Advice for Finders of Archaeological Objects and Treasure'
17. Any breach of these terms and conditions is liable to lead to the immediate revocation of the permit.

Signed (Permit Holder) _____

PRINT NAME _____

Signed (Kettering Borough Council) _____

PRINT NAME _____

Date _____

Reference Number _____

Key Documents:

1. Approved Metal Detecting Permit
2. Plan of Defined Area
3. Kettering Borough Council Byelaws
4. Kettering Museum and Art Gallery Acquisition and Disposal Policy
5. Code of Practice for Responsible Metal Detecting in England and Wales
6. Portable Antiquities Scheme – Advice for Finders of Archaeological Objects and Treasure

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