

Friends of the Dartmoor Hill Pony

HELP US TO GIVE THEM A FUTURE

The Hill Ponies have been a vital part of the beauty of the Dartmoor landscape for thousands of years, where their grazing keeps the scrub at bay and their presence is enjoyed by many locals and visitors alike.

While the local owners strive to keep quality herds of healthy ponies roaming free, they do this at their own expense as the market for foals has virtually disappeared and the economic pressures continue to grow. **Without prompt action the future of these beautiful herds is in crisis.**

Each year excess foals need to be removed from the moor and the FDHP has put much effort into preparing many foals and finding new owners for them. However, a longer term solution is needed and the FDHP is committed to working with pony herders to create a welfare plan that will secure a viable future for these wonderful animals.

There are two main projects in progress;

Ongoing rehoming of foals which includes costs of microchip, passport and transport and costs in the region of £150 per foal and a contraceptive trial for the mares which costs in the region of £115 per mare. We are also often involved in rehoming older animals and promoting the use for of Hill Ponies for land management and as family ponies at which they excel!

We are looking for funds to support us in these projects and would appreciate any help you can give. Join as a member with a regular or one off donation, for example £10 per month would cover the cost of one mare in the trial or the rehoming of a foal. Any donation will be gratefully received and put to good use in support of the ponies.

In addition to our thanks we will update you regularly with our progress via newsletter. For more details on the ponies, our work and the progress as the contraception scheme unfolds please visit the website.

Title: Mr / Mrs / Miss / Ms (Please complete in block capitals)

Name: _____

Address: _____

Tel No: _____ Email: _____

Donation: _____

Foal sponsorship _____ (Cost £105 per foal for Microchip, Passport, Castration and Rehoming)

Mare sponsorship _____ (Cost £115 covers Contraceptive Treatment Microchip and recording on database)

Sign if you are a UK tax payer so that the charity can claim gift aid.

Signature _____

Thank you for your support

Date _____

Cheques made payable to **FRIENDS OF THE DARTMOOR HILL PONY** or donate online at our website www.friendsofthedartmoorhillpony.co.uk

Please send to: **FRIENDS OF THE DARTMOOR HILL PONY**

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