



## 59<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting

By teleconference

Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> October 2020, 2pm

All members are invited to join the AGM teleconference and talk.

Please email [AGM@suffolkwildlifetrust.org](mailto:AGM@suffolkwildlifetrust.org) to book and receive details of how to join the call.

### ARRIVAL from 1.45pm

**2pm**                      **Welcome by William Kendall, President, Suffolk Wildlife Trust**

**2.05 – 2.50pm**        **Suffolk Wildlife Trust's 59<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting**

1. Apologies for absence
2. Confirmation of the minutes of the 58<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting
3. Annual Report of the Board of Trustees introduced by the Chairman, Nigel Farthing
4. Presentation of the annual accounts by the Treasurer, James Alexander
5. Election of Sir Kenneth Carlisle as Vice President
6. Retirement and election of members of the Board of Trustees – 4 nominations have been received for four vacancies (see overleaf)
7. Appointment of Auditors at a rate of remuneration to be determined by the Board of Trustees
8. Any other business

### Break

**3 – 3.45pm**            **Suffolk Mammals – what's changed in last 10 years?**

Talk by Dr Simone Bullion, followed by questions

SWT Conservation Manager, Mammal Recorder for Suffolk and author of *The Mammals of Suffolk*, Dr Simone Bullion will reflect on changes to the county's mammals since its publication in 2009. Simone has extensive experience of British mammals in the field, working particularly with dormice and other small mammals, as well as bats, badgers, otters and water voles.

## Board of Trustee Nominations 2020

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Under Article 5.1.4, Suffolk Wildlife Trust has instigated a Nomination Committee under delegated authority of the Board to oversee a recruitment process based upon advertising the Trustee positions through the Trust magazine and also through social media channels such as the Trust Twitter account and website. The purpose behind this new approach is to ensure an open, transparent and fair recruitment process based upon a skills audit of the Board.

Following a shortlisting and interviewing process the Nomination Committee made recommendations to the full Board.

**In accordance with Article 3.12(a) the Board of Trustees recommends the following four candidates to the members for election to the four Trustee positions available on the Board:**



### **Anna Saltmarsh**

Anna has served as a Trustee for three years and is standing for election for a second term. Anna has a Master's degree in Conservation from University College London, and a research Masters in Evolutionary Biology and Ecology from Montpellier University reflecting her dedication to understanding the natural world and helping to protect wildlife and the natural environments that enable us all to thrive. Anna previously worked at the Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew where she managed the Digital Collections Unit and international partnerships to increase access to the valuable information within preserved plant collections.

Before returning to live in her hometown of Bury St. Edmunds in 2017, Anna worked for the Zoological Society of London, supporting conservation projects primarily in the Thames estuary region. She is a regular conservation volunteer at Lackford Lakes and has helped to coordinate Suffolk Wildlife Trust's seed collection partnership with Kew's Millennium Seed Bank.



### **Joan Hardingham**

Since 1981 Joan has run a diverse farming business at Alder Carr Farm, in partnership with her husband and family. The farm has always left space for nature with 10 acres of woodland, including a nature trail for the public, river frontage and a regular programme of tree planting and management. Joan is a member of the Farming and Wildlife Advisory Group and has participated in the Countryside Stewardship Scheme, welcoming hundreds of children on school visits to discover how food is produced.

Joan has a keen interest in wildlife and conservation and how farming can co-exist with the natural world. She has been involved as a Council Member of the Suffolk Naturalists' Society having acted as Secretary, Chairman and currently Treasurer. With a Zoology degree and a Teaching Certificate Joan has also taught Rural Science and Biology at Secondary level and understands the need to engage children with wildlife at the earliest age to build a lifelong appreciation.



### **Robyn Llewellyn**

Robyn is Head of Engagement (Midlands and East) for the National Lottery Heritage Fund and has a proven track record of delivering high quality outcomes, building and leading successful teams through change and engaging effectively with key stakeholders and community interest groups. Robyn brings strategic experience and enjoys initiating opportunities to support creative partnership networking, striving to support people and projects that positively change lives through social impact. Robyn is a Board member of Orwell Housing and Care and is Chair of the Audit Committee and sits on the Governance Committee.

Robyn has lived in Suffolk for almost 30 years and, being a member of Suffolk Wildlife Trust for most of that time, understands how important nature and landscape is to the story of the county and how much it means to its people and the communities in which they live.



### **Tim Woodward**

Tim is a regional surveyor for the Country Land & Business Association (CLA) providing advice to CLA members across nine counties on a wide variety of land management matters. A RICS-qualified rural surveyor with an MSc in Advanced Farm Management, Tim has practised as a land agent in various parts of the UK for over 35 years.

One of Tim's previous roles involved leading a team of professional land management advisers for National Trust properties in the region, including sites maintained for nature conservation such as Orford Ness, Blakeney Point, Northey Island and Hatfield Forest. He has a keen interest in the countryside and in environmental matters generally and, having lived near Bradfield Woods and Bull's Wood for thirteen years, Tim knows both reserves very well.