Essex Wildlife Trust Extraordinary General Meeting – Online

Wednesday 19 February 2025, 7.00pm

Agenda

The meeting will be opened and chaired by the Essex Wildlife Trust President, Professor Jules Pretty OBE.

Ordinary Business

- 1. Welcome to the new Chair of Trustees, James Wren
- 2. Consideration of the Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 28 September 2024
- 3. Matters Arising
- **4.** *To appoint Moore Kingston Smith LLP as Auditors of the Trust for the year ended 31 December 2024, and authorise the Trustees to agree the Auditors' remuneration
- 5. Any Other Business

*In 2023 the Trust undertook a tendering process for its audit services following which, at the AGM that year, Price Bailey LLP were appointed as the Trust's auditors for the year ended 31 December 2023 in place of Moore Kingston Smith LLP. There were significant challenges in completing the 2023 audit during 2024 which resulted in a failure to meet the audit timetable and material cost over-runs. After a detailed review of the audit process following its completion, the Trustees concluded that it would be in the best interests of the Trust and its staff to revert to the previous auditors for the 2024 audit. Consequently, they are recommending that members reverse the decision taken at the 2024 AGM to re-appoint Price Bailey LLP and, instead, appoint Moore Kingston Smith LLP as Auditors for the year ended 31 December 2024



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