

Norfolk Biodiversity Partnership Community Biodiversity Awards

2016

Can you help find
our 2016 winners?



We are looking for **outstanding** individuals and groups who are making a difference for **wildlife** and **people** in local communities.

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Community Biodiversity Awards 2016

The Community Biodiversity Awards are run by the Norfolk Biodiversity Partnership (NBP) to recognise the achievements of individuals and groups whose voluntary actions make a difference for wildlife and people.

- Nominations are welcome from (or on behalf of) groups and individuals;
- Anyone over 16 can be nominated: self-nomination is permitted;
- Activities must not be part of any normal work for a conservation organisation.

Award winners are presented with a framed certificate at a summer awards evening held in Norwich on July 19th 2016 (see picture on front of our winners in 2015).

There are five award categories :

•**Parish and Town Councils.** This award recognises those councils whose direct activities have led to improvements in local biodiversity, for example through the implementation of their statutory functions (e.g. the National Planning Policy Framework); by supporting projects that conserve biodiversity; or by promoting the importance of biodiversity conservation within their local community. [Sponsored by The Landscape Partnership.](#)

•**Inspiring Others.** This award recognises those who have gone the 'extra mile' to bring about a wider appreciation of biodiversity. Examples could include: a school which is sharing a wildlife area with the local community; a walks leader; a business that provides a nature trail in their grounds; an individual who has made an outstanding contribution to nature conservation or biodiversity-related education. [Sponsored by Kelling Heath Holiday Park.](#)

•**Best Group.** This award recognises the efforts of a group which has created or organised

the best project or site for biodiversity, and encouraged local people to access and enjoy their local nature sites. Local groups offer one of the best ways for people to make a difference for biodiversity close to home, offering practical conservation activities and the chance to get fitter and socialise with like-minded others.

•**Commons and greens (themed award)** This award recognises the efforts taken by local communities to care for commons and greens at the heart of many communities across Norfolk. When managed well, these habitats are an important resource for wildlife as well as an important amenity for recreation.

•**Churchyards and cemeteries (themed award)** This award recognises action taken by local communities to care for the churchyards and cemeteries in their midst, which provides opportunities for nature to thrive and a welcoming and tranquil oasis for local people to enjoy. [Sponsored by Norfolk Wildlife Trust](#)

Complete the nomination form attached (which can be downloaded from : <http://tinyurl.com/oq85ba2>) **and email to paulholley@norwich.gov.uk by 13th May 2016.**

Assessment criteria

Nominations will be judged against : the extent of biodiversity enhancement; the degree of community involvement; evidence of long-term sustainability (such as site management plans); contribution to the development of an ecological network; interpretation; public accessibility; and the extent to which nominees have inspired and motivated others in their community and contributed to new knowledge of the county's biodiversity. We are looking for applications that impart excitement about what has been achieved!



Pictures from nominations made in 2015



Nomination Form: Community Biodiversity Awards 2016

Name of parish or town council, group, school, business, land manager etc.

i Please ensure that this application is made with the knowledge and consent of the project/individual nominated. The name that appears in this box will be used on the award certificate (should the project/individual win) - please ensure it's correct!

Award category

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| Parish and town councils | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Inspiring others | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Group | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Themed Award (churchyards and cemeteries) | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Themed Award (commons and greens) | <input type="checkbox"/> |

i Please tick one category only.

Contact details (for nominated project, including telephone and email)

i We will contact this person to arrange attendance at the awards event should the nomination be successful.

Please describe what has been achieved and why you think this merits an award

500 words

① *Please include details about: the extent of biodiversity enhancement achieved; the degree of community involvement; evidence of long-term sustainability (such as the development of site management plans); how the project contributes to ecological networks; interpretation about the project; public accessibility.*

Additional supporting information

500 words

ⓘ *Please supply up to three photographs which we can use freely (in this and subsequent years) for promotion of the Awards. You can send these as attachments with your emailed application. Please only submit photos you grant us permission to use and where you have the permission of those photographed. A short video would also be most welcome (but will not affect the outcome of the judging).*

Details of person submitting nomination

i Please include your name, email address and phone number. (Self nomination is permitted.)

I confirm that the nominated project/group/individual is over 16, has been informed of their nomination, and is happy to be considered for a Community Biodiversity Award.

Yes

I confirm that the photographs I have supplied can be used freely by the Norfolk Biodiversity Partnership in their promotion of the Community Biodiversity Awards and that I have the consent of any individuals depicted.

Signature – of person submitting nomination (please type your name in). I declare that the information provided is accurate to the best of my knowledge.

All completed forms to be returned no later than **13th May 2016 to Paul Holley**, Parks and Open Spaces, Norwich City Council, City Hall, Norwich, NR2 1NH 01603 212343
email: paulholley@norwich.gov.uk. If submitting a paper application, please mark the envelope 'CB awards'. Email applications are preferred.