





Inter-Island Environment Meeting 2025

Isle of Man, 25th Anniversary



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Inter-Island Environment Meeting 2025



It is a real pleasure to welcome you to the 25th Inter-Island Environment Meeting – held here in the Isle of Man for the very first time. As the world's only whole nation UNESCO Biosphere Reserve, we are proud to share our Island home with you, and to host this very special silver anniversary gathering.

Manx Wildlife Trust and our partners are delighted to host **#IIEM25**, and we look forward to three days of connecting with friends old and new, exchanging knowledge, exploring our landscapes, experiencing our culture, and, above all, inspiring one another to make a difference when we return home. Our planet faces profound challenges – from biodiversity loss and climate change to food security and public health. Every island, no matter how small, has a role to play in addressing them. And when we work together, we multiply our impact. That is why this year's theme, "Collaboration for Greater Impact", is so important.

While each of our islands is unique, we share many of the same environmental realities. This year, it is wonderful to welcome delegates not only from the Crown Dependencies of the Channel Islands and the Isle of Man. but also from Lundy Island, the Isle of Wight, Ulster, the wider UK, and organisations supporting conservation across the UK Overseas Territories. To mark the 25th anniversary, we will gather on Wednesday evening for a special reception at Government House, generously hosted by our Patrons, His Excellency The Lieutenant Governor, Sir John Lorimer and Lady Lorimer. This will be an opportunity to celebrate what IIEM has achieved over the years and to strengthen the relationships that will take us forward.

This year also sees an exciting first for IIEM – an additional third day focused on **nature finance and corporate partnerships.** Around the world, governments have recognised that business engagement is crucial in tackling biodiversity loss and climate change. On Friday, we will explore how environmental organisations, and the corporate sector, can work together to deliver meaningful, measurable results for nature. We are joined by Jonathan Andrews of Remarkable Partnerships and business leaders from across the islands, and I am sure this day will spark new ideas and opportunities.

Finally, thank you to every one of you for making the journey, and to express deep gratitude to our sponsors – Visit Isle of Man, Taxa Genomics, Appleby, Lloyds Bank International and Conister Bank - whose support has enabled us to make #IIEM25 a fitting celebration of our island environments and 25 years of conservation collaboration. Here's to a memorable few days together – and to the next 25 years of shared action for nature.

Graham Makepeace-Warne,
CEO Manx Wildlife Trust

Presentations

We're delighted to present a diverse and engaging programme this year. Due to high demand and limited time, each speaker will have a 15-minute slot.

A 5-minute Q&A session will follow at the end of each presentation, during which speakers will be invited to take questions.

Excursions

Excursions will take place in the afternoon on day 2 of the IIEM . Please ensure you have booked your place. We are very grateful to those who have offered to convene and coordinate them.

To support planning, delegates will be asked to pre-register for their preferred excursions where possible.

Speaker Information

All speakers will use a podium with a microphone for their presentations. To ensure remote attendees can hear clearly, anyone asking a question will be asked to use the microphone provided.

Poster Submissions

Chris Swingler | Ideahat

Laura McCoy | Manx National Heritage

Olivia Pargeter | RSPB

Gail Corrin | University College IoM

Mel Broadhurst-Allen | Alderney Wildlife Trust

Nick Pinder | Manx Bat Group

Allison Leonard | ManxBird Life

Jen Adams | Manx Whale and Dolphin Watch

Charlotte Dean | Durrell Wildlife Conservation

Early Arrivals

On the Tuesday night, we invite delegates to join our Heritage walk in Douglas, hosted by the Blue Badge Guides. This is a 2-hour hour walk starting at 6pm. Meeting place: Sea Terminal (Taxi Rank at the front).

More information about the Blue Badge Guides can be found here: www.isleofmantourguides.org





Talks

Wednesday 17th September

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Registration

8:30

Welcome by Graham Makepeace-Warne | CEO, Manx Wildlife Trust 9:00

Opening Speech by His Excellency The Lieutenant Governor, Sir John Lorimer 9:10

Welcome from our Main Event Sponsor, Deborah Heather | CEO, Visit IoM 9:15

Data Recording And Monitoring

Building Bridges For Risso's Dolphins Conservation: Reflections Through The EDRIM Project 9:20

Juliette Biacchi Association AL LARK

Risso's dolphin conservation in the English Channel and French Brittany faces major challenges: limited sightings, fragmented data and uncoordinated efforts. The EDRIM project, led by AL LARK association, emerges to address these gaps by fostering collaboration among researchers and organizations across regions. The project has evolved from informal meetings into a growing network exchanging photo-ID catalogs, methodologies and tools. Despite challenges such as limited resources and data governance issues, EDRIM propose concrete steps to strengthen cooperation. This presentation outlines the project's progress, challenges and vision.

Understanding The State Of Nature In Jersey 9:40

Tim Wright Government Of Jersey

The Government of Jersey, aided by non-Government partners, is working towards publishing Jersey's first detailed 'State of Nature' report in 2026. This presentation will explain the process behind this collaborative project, discuss the main objectives driving this work, and report on progress so far.

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Freshwater Species Of The Isle of Man: An eDNA Survey 10:00

Rachel Glover Taxagenomics

Environmental DNA (eDNA) analysis offers a non-invasive method for monitoring aquatic biodiversity. We conducted an eDNA survey of rivers on the Isle of Man to assess the presence of key fish species. Water samples were collected from multiple sites and processed using long-read nanopore sequencing. Our results confirm the detection of Atlantic salmon (Salmo salar), European eel (Anguilla anguilla), and brown trout (Salmo trutta), amongst others, providing valuable insights into species distribution. This study highlights the potential of eDNA for fisheries management and conservation efforts, particularly for monitoring ecologically and economically important fish populations in freshwater ecosystems.

Seabird Monitoring And Conservation On The Isles of Scilly 10:20

Helen Miller Isles Of Scilly Wildlife Trust

The Isles of Scilly are home to internationally important populations of European storm petrel, shaq, great black-backed gull, and lesser black-backed gull. The archipelago also supports regionally important numbers of fulmar and puffin. Both Manx shearwaters and European storm petrels are amber listed under the United Kingdom Birds of Conservation Concern. This talk will focus on our conservation work, highlighting recent and ongoing achievements and setting out ambitions for the future on how we can continue to conserve these important seabird populations on the Isles of Scilly.

Twenty Years Of The Jersey Butterfly Monitoring Scheme 10:40

Denise McGowan Government Of Jersey

The Jersey Butterfly Monitoring Scheme has been running for over 20 years. The scheme is carried out by volunteers who follow the UK and European methodology for surveying butterflies. Jersey has collaborated with CEH and Butterfly Conservation in order to learn and run the same trend analysis to understand how our butterfly species are faring using the 20 years of data.

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Restoring Natural Habitats

Manx Peat Partnership: Peatland Restoration

11:30

Sarah Hickey Manx Peat Partnership

The Manx Peat Partnership was formed in 2024 to facilitate peatland restoration on the Isle of Man. We have undertaken restoration work on the most degraded areas of upland peatland and will show the methods used and the impacts of the work so far.

Restoring Manx Wildlife 11:50

David Bellamy Manx Wildlife Trust

Manx Wildlife Trust (MWT) was established in 1973 to save the Ayres landscape in the north of the Isle of Man from becoming an oil refinery. Today the Ayres is the Island's only National Nature Reserve and part of a growing network of nature reserves across the Isle of Man. MWT manage 32 nature reserves covering 1015ha (2510ac) – about 2% of the Isle of Man's landmass.

Acknowledging that we cannot halt nature's decline by ourselves, we are now working alongside private landowners, farmers and fishers, developers and government to provide ecological guidance, support and practical help to better provide for nature across the entire area of the Isle of Man, at land and sea, recognising that we will never deliver nature's recovery if we just focus on the 2% of our nation that MWT have guardianship over.

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Seagrass Restoration In The Solent: A Journey Towards A Wilder Seascape 12:10

Timothy Ferrero Hampshire & Isle Of Wight Wildlife Trust

The Solent is home to internationally important seagrass meadows, but there has been limited natural recovery since the "seagrass wasting disease" decimation 100 years ago Since 2021, HIWWT has worked with funders, and partners, to deliver habitat-scale intertidal seagrass meadow restoration. We share our journey and experiences, from seed collection and field trials using "seed pods" and Dispenser Injection Seeding (DIS), to aquarium-based germination trials and seed husbandry.

Our work has supported studies of biodiversity, carbon storage, EDNA and seed germination, supported throughout by our growing numbers of volunteer Solent Seagrass Champions. Together these projects support Trust's WILDER 2030 vision.

Industrial Wasteland To Natural Gem: The Manx BirdLife Point Of Ayre National Reserve 12:30

Allison Leonard Manx Birdlife

The Manx BirdLife Point of Ayre National Reserve presents a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to restore nature on a landscape scale. The vision to transform this former mineral quarry began over 20 years ago and took a major step forward in 2019 with the signing of a 49-year lease for 105 hectares of worked land. Discover the remarkable changes achieved in the five years since, the challenges encountered along the way, and what lies ahead in this ambitious project—turning an industrial wasteland into a haven for wildlife and a symbol of hope for nature's recovery.

Break For Lunch 12:50 - 13:40

Beach Clean 13:40

Bill Dale Beach Buddies IoM

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Conservation In Our Communities

Outdoor Learning Entitlement 14:10

Greg Stalker **Outdoor Learning Centre**

The Outdoor Learning Centre (OLC) is dedicated to ensuring every child has the opportunity to connect with the natural world. It provides a safe and supportive space where children and young people can decompress, play, communicate, solve problems, explore, push boundaries and build a lasting relationship with nature.

Bridging The Gap Between Science And The Community 14:30

Abigail de Castella Alderney Wildlife Trust

How do we make science more accessible to the community? Alderney Wildlife Trust have been trialling ways to bridge the gap between science and people. This presentation will look at which methods have been explored so far, the findings from 2024-2025 and where we are going next. Has this been enough to inspire custodians of a small island? What does the future of community engagement look like for Alderney Wildlife Trust?

Douglas City Council 14:50

Chris Pycroft **Douglas City Council**

Douglas City Council is the local authority for the island's capital. Within our boundary we are fortunate to have landscapes as diverse as beach, coastal cliffs, urban, suburban, river, parks, town squares, allotments, golf course and glen. We are a Biosphere Partner and have been measuring our carbon footprint since 2018/19. We participate in collaborative initiatives that aim to support biodiversity and minimise the impact of climate change which currently include: - Douglas Pollinator Plan; Plan Bee - World Bee Day - No Mow May The Dragonflies' Den with MWT - Pulrose Community Day and Masterplan with MWT.

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Collaborating For Marine Conservation

Tools, Tips And Tricks For Community Engagement In Marine Conservation 15:40 Emily Stroud Hampshire & Isle Of Wight Wildlife Trust

Effective community engagement and volunteering is essential for successful marine conservation, stewardship and long term project legacy. This presentation explores practical tools, tips, and tricks to foster inclusive, sustainable participation from local communities, how to build your volunteer base; create inspiring workshops; budgeting tips for funding applications and more!

Community Voice Method: Using Documentary Film To Engage Caribbean Communities In Marine Management 16:00 Amdeep Sanghera
The Marine Conservation Society

The Community Voice Method (CVM) is an innovative, research-based approach to fostering effective public consultation about important local issues. The Marine Conservation Society first used the CVM in 2009 in the Turks and Caicos Islands as part of a collaborative marine turtle project. In partnership with other Caribbean UKOT governments, NGOs and communities, MCS have continued to employ this versatile, film-based approach to engage communities in developing holistic solutions towards marine-related issues. The methodology will be discussed along with the challenges and opportunities of its application.

Marine Biosecurity Plan And Guide **16:20** Julia Henney States Of Guernsey

Prioritising biosecurity is critical, particularly in marine environments where prevention is often the only viable option. The MBP (Minimum Biosecurity Practices) provides clear objectives to reduce risks and build resilience. Effective biosecurity depends on awareness, consistency, and collective responsibility.

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Transnational/ Collaborative Balearic Shearwater Monitoring Programme: First results

16:40

Adrien Lambrechts and Chris Sellares Office Français De La Biodiversité And Jersey National Trust

Normano-breton gulf and particularly Channel Islands waters are suspected to host a significant and increasing proportion of the critically endangered Balearic Shearwater during summer. In the frame of the french national action plan, a collaborative and transnational monitoring programme was funded and started in 2024. Along with our partner the Jersey National Trust, we propose to present the main outcomes of the the first campaign, carried out in 2004. I includes boatbased surveys and digital aerial surveys.

Reception At Government House 18:30

Delegates are encouraged to take the short, beautiful walk to Government House together with Manx WIldlife Trust staff. An optional minibus shuttle is available, departing every 20 minutes from 6pm.

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Welcome by Graham Makepeace-Warne | CEO Manx Wildlife Trust and Hannah Phillips | Community Ranger supported by Lloyds Bank International

8:45

Welcome from our day two event sponsor Amber Oakley | Appleby **8:55**

Biospheres, Fungi & Invasive Species

Isle Of Wight Biosphere Beacon **9:00** Jamie Marsh Hampshire & Isle Of Wight Wildlife Trust

Our dream is: a healthy biosphere with nature in recovery; a stronger society where health and wellbeing is improved; a rejuvenated Island economy with greater access to jobs and opportunities. Our dream is an Island which can be a beacon of hope for the UK.

With nature at the heart of our vision, we will remove silos to focus on a circular, regenerative, nature-positive system with the health of planet and people at its core. Bringing together a range of partners, the project will break down barriers and unite experts to collaborate on a ground breaking approach for systems change.

Biosphere Isle of Man: A living island Laboratory For Global Sustainability Jacqui Keenan Biopshere Isle Of Man

The Isle of Man became the first whole nation UNESCO Biosphere Reserve in 2016, celebrating the island's special environment and biodiversity, rich culture and heritage, resilient and diversifying economy, and the community which cherishes all these things. As we approach our 10-year anniversary, the Isle of Man is reflecting on our achievements and challenges since designation, and looking to the future. We'll discuss: - What is a UNESCO Biosphere Reserve? - Our story so far - The future of Biosphere Isle of Man.

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How Do We Effectively Conserve The Kingdom Of Fungi? **9:40** Liz Charter IoM Fungus Group

Fungi play a critical role in ecosystem function, yet their conservation has historically received limited attention. On the Isle of Man, the recognition of species-rich waxcap grasslands has provided an entry point for targeted fungal conservation. This presentation outlines the methods used to assess their ecological value, the collaborative approaches supporting their protection, and the principal threats to their persistence. By addressing both practical and conceptual challenges, we consider how fungi can be more effectively integrated into conservation planning and identify future directions for safeguarding these often-overlooked organisms.

A Collaborative Approach To Invasive Species: Plant Health Across The Pond **10:00** Nathan Hayes Government Of Jersey

Invasive species pose a significant threat to global plant and ecosystem health, necessitating a collaborative approach to address these challenges effectively. This presentation reports on the successes and lessons from a four-month U.S. fellowship, investigating key invasive species pathways, such as wood packaging material, and strategies to mitigate their risks. Realworld case studies from South Carolina highlight identification, control, mitigation, and management strategies for pests like the Asian longhorned beetle (Anoplophora glabripennis) while discussing potential practical applications in Jersey.

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An Update On Invasive Species Management In The Channel Islands 10:20 Adam Dallas Chapman Government Of Jersey

In the Channel Islands, all established terrestrial invasive nonnative species (INNS) were risk assessed in 2023 and ranked by their ecological risk, geographic spread and invasive potential. Since 2023, officers within the Government of Jersey have been undertaking management feasibility studies to determine which of the highest risk species can be eradicated from the island and which species will require a site-specific approach. This presentation will present an overview of this management feasibility approach and will also provide details on ongoing work to physically manage invasive species in Jersey.

IIEM25 Poem **10:40** Jordanne Kennaugh Manx Bard

Marine Conservation Management

Changing Crabs In A Warming Ocean: A Sign Of Things To Come? Alex Purdie Alderney Wildlife Trust

Rising sea temperatures are causing tangible changes in our marine environment. In 2017, furrowed crabs were first recorded in Alderney having previously been restricted to more southern regions. In a few short years they were one of the most common species on our shores, a stark product of climate change.

Alderney Wildlife Trust have quantitatively recorded the intertidal assemblage of crabs over time. This talk will cover our results and discuss the potential impact on Alderney's ecology and fishing industry, as well as the wider implications across the UK and Crown Dependencies as sea temperatures continue to rise.

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Manx Whale And Dolphin Watch Overview 11:30

Jen Adams Manx Whale And Dolphin Watch

An overview of the work of MWDW including local species, land-based surveys, photo-ID and the Visitor Centre.

Mapping Tools For Marine Management 11:50 Sam Blampied Government Of Jersey

Understanding what is happening spatially in the marine realm isn't easy but it is critical for informing management. At Marine Resources we use various mapping tools to monitor biodiversity, species movements and human activities. We would like to present some of our more recent projects that have a spatial element and explain how they have led to improved management and enforcement. Including but not limited to: tuna tagging, bream nest identification, geo-referenced sightings data, iVMS (inshore vessel monitoring systems), and our new publicly accessible online Marine Spatial Plan map.

Marine Conservation And Fisheries Management 12:10 Peter Duncan
Isle of Man Government: DEFA

TBC.

Lunch **12:30**

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Hannah Phillips Manx Wildlife Trust Community Ranger Supported By Lloyds Bank International

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Welcome from Graham Makepeace-Warne | CEO Manx Wildlife Trust 9:00

Welcome from our day three Event Sponsor Hannah Simons | Head of Sustainability, Lloyds Bank Corporate Markets
9:05

Collaborating With Businesses

Keynote Speaker **9:10**

Jonathan Andrews Remarkable Partnerships

Lundy; Renewable Energy Project **9:30** Derek Green The Lundy Co Ltd

Decarbonising Lundy: Renewable Energy Project.

Aviva **9:45**

Claudine Blamey
Chief Sustainability Officer | Aviva

Claudine will explore the value of partnership in driving meaningful outcomes, reflecting the conference theme "Collaboration for Greater Impact." Her talk will highlight the elements that make partnerships successful and impactful.

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Climate Change, Carbon Emissions And What We Can Do On The Isle Of Man 10:00 David Quirk and Adrian Cowin
DTU Offshore | Technical University Of Denmark

The greatest impact on life on earth is atmospheric CO2. This two-part talk will describe human emissions of CO2 + related greenhouse gases, explain their effects and discuss the challenges in mitigating climate change. We will then show what islands like the Isle of Man can do to decarbonise their power systems, thereby reducing 80% of their emissions.

We will also explore the socio-economic benefits and ways of engaging the public and galvanising decision-makers. All the technologies are available, it is now just a question of putting strategies into action. Authors: David G Quirk, Adrian Cowin, Ralph Peake, Rebecca Keeley.

Nature Reporting: The New Financial Frontier 10:15 Dominic Wall Environmental, Social And Governance | Deloitte

Nature is no longer a peripheral concern but a business-critical issue. Increasing global regulatory pressure and evolving market demands for nature-related financial disclosures, the finance profession has a crucial role to play in driving the transition to a nature-positive economy.

This presentation explores the financial implications of nature-related dependencies, impacts, risks, and opportunities for businesses. We'll examine how finance professional can leverage frameworks like the TNFD, GRI and GBF to integrate nature into financial reporting, risk management, and strategic decision-making.

Discussion includes assessing risks and opportunities, connecting nature to financial impact across financial statements, and embedding nature into corporate strategy.

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Sustainable Finance In Action

10:30

Hannah Simons Head of Sustainability | Lloyds Bank Corporate Markets

Hannah will outline how Lloyds are working towards sustainability across the British Islands, and why this is a core part of the banks purpose. The presentation will showcase the close collaboration with Manx Wildlife Trust, including the launch of the first on-island carbon offset scheme, and funding a Community Ranger, who is delivering a range of projects across the Island.

Working With Corporations 11:15

Samir Whitaker Biodiversity Lead Specalist | Orsted

Working with corporate entities can take several different forms along a continuum ranging from 'hand-off' sponsorship to strategic partnership, each with its own potential risks and benefits. This session will aim to run through the process of scoping and developing these relationships including: screening and alignment, value proposition and initial approach, due diligence, work planning, monitoring & evaluation, and closing. Participants will leave with useful tools and approaches to developing, managing and evaluating the success of corporate partnerships.

Visioning Activity **11:30**

Sarah Mercer | Earthscope And Biosphere Youth Representative

Lunch **12:30**

Activity Feedback
13:30

Sarah Mercer | Earthscope and Biosphere Youth Representative

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A Partnership Challenge **13:45**

Panel: Hannah Simons, Dominic Wall, Biosphere Youth Representatrive, Catherine Wensink

Eco-Match: Enabling Corporate Partnerships For Conservation **15:30** Leigh Morris | Director International TWT And Jodey Peyton | UKOTCF

Obtaining funding for conservation and environmental projects remains a crux challenge for those aiming to deliver them. The rise in Environmental Social Governance (ESG) and the increasein businesses wanting to support the delivery of global biodiversity and carbon goals through sustainable financing, offers a tremendous opportunity to the conservation sector. There remains, however, a disconnect between conservationists wanting to secure funding and the businesses looking to support. The Eco-Match on-line platform, developed by UKOTCF, aims to bridge this gap, and act as a 'dating site' for businesses and projects. Jodey and Leigh's talk will explain the aims and evolution of Eco-Match, launch the platform and explain how you can get involved.

Challenge Feedback And Winners 15:45

Closing Remarks
16:05

Chief Minister, Alfred Cannan | MHK

Excursions

We are delighted to offer the following activities for any delegates who are interested.

Guided Visit Of The Manx BirdLife POA National Reserve

Allison Leonard | Managing Director of Manx BirdLife

Up The Mountain! - Learn About The Island's Peatland Restoration Project

Sarah Hickey | DEFA Peatland and Upland Carbon Officer

Tour Of The Ballaugh Curragh

Steve Wright | Author of Wild Enthusiasm and MWT Office Administrator

Farming For Nature

Jenny Shepherd | Farmer at Ballacosnahan and Katie Grace | MWT Agri-Environment Officer

Derbyhaven And Langness Nature Walk

David Andrews | MBL Reserve Manager and Tim Earl | Ornithologist

Shark Tagging And Boat Trip

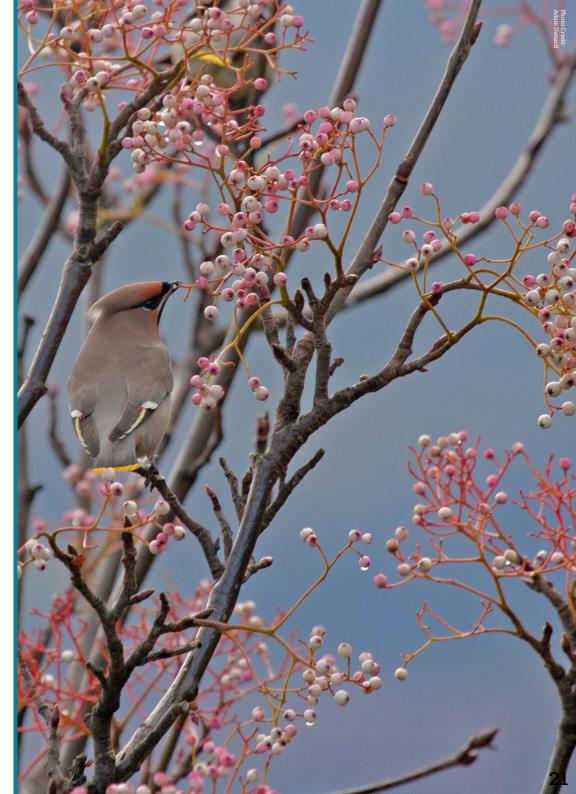
Leigh Morris | Director of International The Wildlife Trust

Manx National Heritage

Laura McCoy | Curator of Natural History at MNH

Fungi Foray

Liz Charter | Island Biodiversity Consultant





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Sustainability Statement

Our Sustainability Policy

Manx Wildlife Trust is committed to supporting the policies outlined in the Isle of Man Government's <u>Island Plan</u> and to contributing to the Island's distinctive status as a Whole Nation UNESCO Biosphere. We seek to achieve this by minimising our environmental impact and managing both the natural and built environment as sustainably as possible. In all aspects of our work, we strive to adopt best practices and to engage communities through a wide range of activities, fostering greater understanding and support for our shared environmental objectives.

Our unique and influential position within the Islands community and further afield allows us the opportunity to innovate and lead by example, including:

- Sourcing and using resources sustainably
- Conserving and enhancing biodiversity through management, education and engagement.
- Protecting valuable carbon stores such as wetlands, woodlands, upland peat and our seas (blue carbon).
- Reducing greenhouse gas emissions from energy consumption.

The 2025 IIEM provides a valuable platform for leading experts to exchange knowledge and ideas on safeguarding our environment By facilitating both in-person and virtual.

participation, the event enables effective collaboration, ensuring that resources and findings can be shared to address environmental challenges collectively. We acknowledge, however, that convening such an event inevitably generates additional carbon emissions, primarily through travel and energy consumption. Given the global and local significance of this issue, it is imperative that we act responsibly to minimise our environmental impact. We are implementing the following measures to mitigate emissions:

Travel:

As an island, we recognise the challenges of reducing travel-related emissions. However, to balance this with our sustainability commitments, the event has been designed to allow full virtual participation with minimal impact on the overall experience. This measure both substantially reduces travel-related emissions and broadens accessibility.

Food:

Wherever possible, food for the event has been sourced locally, helping to minimise emissions associated with food miles while supporting local businesses. A variety of options will be provided, including both vegetarian and meat dishes. Showcasing the best of Manx local produce,

Delegate Packs:

Our delegate packs are locally and sustainably sourced. If you don't need yours, please pass it on to a friend or colleague.

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