

Norfolk Community Biodiversity Awards 2019



The Awards

The Norfolk 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 in Norfolk.

Who can enter

Nominations are welcome from (or on behalf of) groups and individuals, and anyone over 16* can be nominated although activities must not be part of any normal work for a conservation organisation.

*The 'Young People's Achievement Award' is open to nominees aged 18 and under. If the nominee is below the age of 16, nominations must be made by a parent, guardian or teacher.

Award winners will be presented with a framed certificate at a summer awards evening in Norwich on 16th July 2019.

Making your nomination

Once completed please send this form to biodiversityawards@norfolk.gov.uk or Norfolk Biodiversity Partnership c/o Norfolk County Council, Bay 4 Floor 6, County Hall, Martineau Lane, Norwich, NR1 2SG. Self-nomination is permitted.

How nominations will be assessed

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); how they contribute 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 Norfolk's biodiversity. We are looking for applications that impart excitement about what has been achieved and may inspire others to take action!

The closing date for nominations is 30th April 2019.

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Terms and conditions

Before you can make a nomination you must read and agree to the awards terms and conditions which are available at: <http://tinyurl.com/yaeyhtf5>

I have read and agree to the awards terms and conditions.

Yes

The Norfolk Biodiversity Partnership and Norfolk County Council will ask for your contact details so that we can contact you regarding your nomination. We will only use this information in relation to the biodiversity awards and will keep it secure in line with The General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) (Regulation (EU) 2016/679), the Data Protection Act 2018 and Norfolk County Council's data protection policy and guidelines. Find out more about how Norfolk County Council stores your data at: <http://tinyurl.com/yag98kza>

I have read Norfolk county councils privacy policy

Yes

The Norfolk Biodiversity Partnership would like to use words and photographs submitted within nominations to promote future awards. *

I am happy for The Norfolk Biodiversity Partnership to use any words and photographs I submit.

Yes

Nominee details

Please enter the name of the group, project, place or person being nominated for 2019 Norfolk Community Biodiversity Award. Please ensure that this application is made with the knowledge and consent of the project/individual nominated. The name that appears below will be used on the award certificate should the project/individual win. *

Please provide an email address or phone number for the group, project, place or person being nominated for 2019 Norfolk Community Biodiversity Award. Please ensure that you have their permission to send us this information. *

Award Category

Please select an Award category for your nomination (please select one only) *

- Young People's Achievement:** This award is for individuals under 18* or those that enable young people to make a personal contribution to nature and biodiversity. Young people hold the key to the future for our wildlife so their understanding and appreciation of nature is vital. We are looking for those who are inspirational or who have inspired others to achieve these qualities. *Nominations for those aged 16 or under must be made by a parent or teacher on their behalf. **Sponsored by Kelling Heath Holiday Park.**
- Saving Species:** This award recognises individual or group efforts to improve the lot of wildlife species or species groups. With so many plants and animals (even once common ones) in rapid decline, action is needed at every level to avoid further decline and possible extinction. We are looking for activities that directly benefit species populations or a specific habitat they rely on. **Sponsored by BIRDscapes.**
- Churchyards and Cemeteries:** This award recognises action to care for churchyards and cemeteries so that they provide opportunities for nature to thrive as well as being a welcoming and tranquil oasis for people. In many churchyards, grassland is an important habitat, walls and stones are our rock faces. We are looking for activities that have created living churchyards, important stepping stones for biodiversity as well as places for reflection and remembrance. **Sponsored by R & J Hogg Ltd.**
- Nature for Health and Wellbeing:** This award recognises the benefits for individuals in terms of improved health and wellbeing as a direct result of activities that bring people and nature together. We know contact with nature is good for both mental and physical health but we are looking for activities that go further to also benefit biodiversity in the community or our knowledge of it. **Sponsored by Pensthorpe Natural Park.**
- Groups:** This award recognises the achievements of groups working on biodiversity projects in their local community. Local groups can inspire people to recognise and care for their local biodiversity while providing the chance to get together and work with a common purpose. We are looking for results for participants and the group as a whole, as well as those achieved for wildlife and habitats. **Sponsored by The Landscape Partnership.**
- Above and beyond:** This award recognises efforts by professionals that go above and beyond their paid hours to engage with communities and volunteers to bring about gains for biodiversity **Sponsored by the Norfolk Biodiversity Partnership.**

Your contact details

Contact details of person submitting the nomination *

Your name	<input type="text"/>
How do you know the nominee?	<input type="text"/>
Your telephone number	<input type="text"/>
Your E-mail address	<input type="text"/>

Reason for nomination

Overview of the nomination Please include as a minimum: The name of the activity carried out by the group, project or person The aims and objectives of the activities How long the activity has been running How did the group, project or person get started on this activity (Maximum 500 words) *

Please describe what has been achieved and why you think this merits an award Where relevant please include details about: What has been achieved for biodiversity How has the community been involved How will the work be sustained in the long term How can people access the project to see what has been achieved How is the activity or nominee innovative and inspiring How has the activity and its importance been promoted to the wider community (Maximum 500 words) *

Additional supporting information Where relevant please include: Quotes from volunteers and members of the community regarding the nomination A summary of any evaluations and feedback Website links Links to any blogs and social media activity etc. (Maximum 500 words)

You may supply up to 3 photos which you agree we can use freely (in this and subsequent years) for promotion of the Awards. 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.

Please attach these files to your completed nomination form and send them to:

biodiversityawards@norfolk.gov.uk or alternatively post copies to Norfolk Biodiversity Partnership c/o Norfolk County Council, Bay 4 Floor 6, County Hall, Martineau Lane, Norwich, NR1 2SG

Declaration

I confirm that the nominated project/group/individual has been informed of their nomination, and has consented to be considered for a Norfolk 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 Norfolk Community Biodiversity Awards and that I have the consent of any individuals depicted. *

Yes

Has this activity been supported by a member of paid staff? *

Yes

No

Declaration Please type your name in to confirm that the information provided on this form is accurate to the best of your knowledge. *

Please ensure that all sections of this form are completed! We will acknowledge that we have received your nomination within one week of submission. If you haven't heard from us by then, please get in touch directly by email: biodiversityawards@norfolk.gov.uk

We recommend that you print off your completed nomination for your own records. *

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