

## East Suffolk Greenprint Forum

The Steering Group exists to connect us into key partnerships and organisations and provide strategic direction to ensure that we are effectively informing, engaging and enabling East Suffolk Community and Youth Champions, elected members and organisations to work towards meeting our agreed vision and goals. It is made up of people who listen to and feed back to their own community groups or organisations and who also see the needs and opportunities across the whole of East Suffolk and are willing to shape the work of the Forum and work with anyone to move us towards our goals.

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### Jane Healey—Chair of East Suffolk Greenprint Forum



Jane moved to Woodbridge 30 years ago and is an early years teacher and reflexologist. Throughout her adult life Jane has been interested in environmental issues and passionate about playing her part.

She has been a member of Greenprint Forum for a number of years and has been pleased to be part of Greenprint's initiatives especially our Plastic Reduction Action and legacy of Plastic Action Champions. She sees the Forum as an essential bridge between the wider community and District Council enabling us to put forward potential policies that reflects the environmental aspirations of the East Suffolk community.

She is also a member of Transition Woodbridge, a local community-led environmental group seeking to improve the resilience of Woodbridge, Melton and surrounding communities in the face of our Climate Emergency. Jane believes meeting the needs of the local community results in local people taking ownership of projects encouraging relocalisation, protecting the environment, reducing our impact on climate change and promoting positive vision and action for a sustainable future in East Suffolk.



## Vice Chair

Position currently vacant



### Betsy Reid

Betsy Reid is a retired teacher of History and English, spending her retirement on Beekeeping (and proselytising), Master Composting, Plastic Action—Championing, Eco-schools Assessments and other ‘green’ things in her village of Waldringfield and beyond. In 2011 Betsy was the Green Hero Award winner at the Creating the Greenest County Awards.

## Cathy Smith

Cathy is the Communications, Funding and Development Officer from the AONB team that jointly supports Suffolk Coast & Heaths and Dedham Vale Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty.

The purpose of the AONB is to conserve and enhance the area, and it does this through working in partnership across the area and nationally, being influential in planning and development, taking practical steps with volunteer support (especially doing Beachwatch and work parties), supporting visitors in partnership with Suffolk Coast Destination Management Organisation (DMO), informing a wide range of people and organisations about best environmental practice, supporting communities to enhance conservation (sometimes with grants), and influencing behaviour for sustainable management of East Suffolk.



## Daniel Wareing—Secretary



Daniel has lived in East Suffolk for most of his life and holds a lifelong passion for environmental matters particularly wildlife. He maintains a wildlife friendly garden including a wildlife pond, hotbin, and raised beds. After graduating from University of Essex in Ecology, Daniel joined the District Council's waste management team promoting the waste hierarchy and working on waste reduction projects for a number of years, including project managing the award-winning Tip-Off Suffolk campaign, before working briefly with the Wildlife Trusts in Essex and is now the Environmental Sustainability Officer for East Suffolk Council, as well as Secretary of the Greenprint Forum.

## Councillor James Mallinder

After relocating from London a number of years ago a change in James' lifestyle included a greater commitment to volunteering in the local community. As an active Parish Councillor in Hollesley, volunteer for Meet up Mondays and treasurer of a local Good Neighbour Scheme he knows first hand the importance of volunteering and community improvement. 2019 saw James enter the East Suffolk Council as ward member for Deben and with his enthusiasm for the environment now holds the Environment Portfolio. He is also Chair of East Suffolk Council's Environment Task Group and Greenprint's representative on the AONB Partnership. For his relaxation James gets involved in running and bell ringing at the local church.



## Luke Bennett

Luke is the Partnerships Manager and invests his time encouraging a wide variety of individuals from across public services, businesses, community groups and voluntary organisations to work together for the benefit of East Suffolk. He is also supporting the new East Suffolk Council to develop Community Partnerships as an innovative way for the Council to conduct its business and ensure that decision making remains local for residents.

Early in his career Luke spent 15 years as a countryside management professional promoting land management for wildlife and for people, both at a practical and policy level. He is an advocate of Greenprint Forum's model of active local environmental leadership along with its commitment to partnership working.



## Peter Ross

Having volunteered with the Lake District National Park Ranger service in the summer of 1978 a career path was created for Peter. A few years later via Merrist Wood Agricultural College and a Diploma in Countryside Management, Peter landed at Suffolk Coastal District Council in 1983 as part of that course and became their Countryside Ranger. 36 years later and Peter is managing the countryside sites of East Suffolk Council up and down the district, now as part of Norse. Like the Council, his role has metamorphosed on many occasions down the decades, but the main thing that hasn't changed is that Peter still enjoys his role, which he sees as creating the opportunity for people to visit and enjoy the great outdoors and hopefully whilst there, take in the wonder of nature. Because, as Peter observes, we are all better for time spent in the countryside.



## Phil Gore

Phil Gore is Head of Environmental Services & Port Health and has worked for Suffolk Coastal, the Coastal & Waveney Partnership and now East Suffolk Council for the last 21 years. As well as leading the Council's Environmental Health regulatory work, which includes air quality, contaminated land, noise nuisance and other areas of environmental protection, he is also responsible for the Council's Environmental Policy and Action Plan and has supported the work of the Greenprint Forum for the last 15 years. He has been the Council's representative on the Suffolk Climate Change Partnership since its inception and outside of work has a passion for the natural environment.



## Sue Hall

Sue coordinates the back office work at the Oak Tree Low Carbon Farm, Suffolk's first Community Supported Agriculture scheme. She sees first-hand the impact of climate change on our ability to grow food. Sue previously worked for Cycling UK, Sustrans and on Suffolk Car Share and community transport projects. She volunteers in Kesgrave working with her local council and residents to improve local sustainable transport (better bus services and improved safety for pedestrians and cyclists). She also demonstrates it's possible to live without a car. Sue is deeply concerned about our climate emergency and believes that 'business as usual' isn't an option if we want our young people and our planet to have a future. She believes we need to act urgently, together, to reduce emissions in line with the IPCC report and build resilience in local food, water supplies and zero carbon infrastructure and services in East Suffolk.



## Susan Harvey



Susan was a Parish Cllr for 30 years before serving the District Council for 8 years on the Planning Committee during which time she supported the Greenprint Forum. Susan is passionate about looking after our wildlife, and swifts in particular and believes that we all need to have a 'greener' outlook on life for the benefit of our health, both mental and physical.

Susan sees the the future of the Forum as being in the forefront of pushing for positive changes to enable separate foot and cycle transport routes and to improve bus transport in rural areas to schools and local places of work.

Sue is a Plastic Action Champion, and is the Greenprint Forum's representative on the East Suffolk Community Partnerships Board.