

Natural England Board sub group: Conservation Strategy



TERMS OF REFERENCE

The development of a Conservation Strategy is central to the long term achievement of Natural England's Strategic Direction. It has been agreed by the Natural England Board (NEB 53 03) that a Board sub group should be convened to provide oversight of the development of the Conservation Strategy.

Role

The Conservation Strategy sub group is an advisory working group of Natural England's Board. Its purpose is to:

- ensure there is clarity about the purpose, scope and outputs from the conservation strategy programme;
- support and inform the development of the Strategy;
- test and challenge propositions;
- provide assurance to the Natural England Board about the direction of travel for this work;
- shape next steps and programme priorities;
- as the Conservation Strategy develops support the embedding of this throughout Natural England;
- advise on and support work with stakeholders.

Membership

Board members

- Teresa Dent – Chair
- Andy Clements
- Simon Lyster
- John Varley

Officers

- Alan Law - Chief Officer, Strategy and Reform
- Liz Newton - Director, Landscape, Access and Geodiversity
- Caroline Cotterell - Head of Conservation Strategy
- Secretariat – supplied by Board and Executive Services

Meetings

The first meeting of the sub group will be held in early June, and regularly thereafter to a cycle agreed by the group. The Chair may convene further as she deems necessary in consultation with the group.

Review

As a board working group this is a time limited group. The terms of reference, and therefore the need for the sub group will be reviewed annually.