

Suffolk County Wildlife Sites: Panel Remit

The Suffolk County Wildlife Site (CWS) Panel comprises of representatives from Natural England, Suffolk Biodiversity Information Service, Suffolk County Council and Suffolk Wildlife Trust.

The duties of the Panel are to:

1. Maintain an up to date CWS Register for Suffolk and ensure that the information is distributed according to the CWS procedure: www.suffolkbis.org.uk/web/sites/default/files/images/protected-sites/CWSDesignationProcedure.pdf
2. Designate CWSs according to the CWS selection criteria, review existing sites in the light of new survey data and remove any that do not meet the criteria: www.suffolkbis.org.uk/web/sites/default/files/images/protected-sites/CWSSelectionCriteria.pdf
3. Review and update the CWS selection criteria to reflect changes in wildlife legislation and policy.

The CWS Panel is impartial and therefore cannot comment on wider issues relating to CWS, such as planning applications and schemes of management (e.g. Forestry Commission and agri-environment applications). Its remit is purely restricted to the three duties outlined above.

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