

Cambridge Past, Present & Future AGM Agenda

Friday 28 November, 2025. 6.30-7pm

Babbage Lecture Theatre (David Attenborough Building), University of Cambridge, New Museums Site, Pembroke Street, Cambridge, CB2 3QZ

1. WELCOME & APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

2. MINUTES & MATTERS ARISING To confirm the minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 21 November 2024. *Copies of the minutes will be available at the meeting.*

3. ANNUAL REPORT & ACCOUNTS To receive the Annual Report and audited accounts for the year ended 31 March 2025. *The report & accounts are available at www.cambridgeppf.org/our-governance/#Reports. Paper copies of the accounts will be available at the meeting or can be requested in advance.*

3.1 ANNUAL REPORT – CHAIR/CHIEF EXECUTIVE Presentation on achievements

3.2 ANNUAL ACCOUNTS – TREASURER Presentation on the accounts

4. APPOINTMENT OF AUDITORS To appoint auditors for the year ending 31 March 2026

5. ELECTION OF MEMBERS TO THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES *Vacancies on the Board of Trustees may be filled on the recommendation of the Board, or by nomination by members of the Charity under the provisions of Article 48. For information on the requirements and procedure, please contact the Secretary.*

There are currently 8 elected members of the Board. Since the last AGM, 2 new Trustees have been co-opted to the Board and they stand for election. Brian Cleary has served his first 4-year term and is standing for re-election. David Coomes completes his second term on the Board and is required to stand down. The Board recommends the re-election of **Brian Cleary**, and the formal election of **Beverley Glover** and **Sara Oldfield** who were co-opted during the year. They are all nominated by the Chair, Karen Rothwell, and seconded by Polly Courtice.

Brian Cleary

Brian worked in the Planning Department at South Cambridgeshire District Council from 1979 to 1993. During that time he specialised in Planning Appeal and Public Inquiry work and has a very good knowledge of the countryside and villages surrounding Cambridge. Brian then joined the RSPB and eventually headed up the Society's Casework Team. The RSPB responds to many development proposals throughout the UK and Brian was responsible for coordinating this effort and any related campaigns including several successful high-profile cases.

Professor Beverley Glover

Beverley studied Plant and Environmental Biology at the University of St Andrews before a PhD in Plant Developmental Genetics at the John Innes Centre in Norwich. She established her research group at the University of Cambridge in 1999, where she is also a Fellow of Queens' College. Since 2013 Beverley has been Director of the Cambridge University Botanic Garden and Professor of Plant Systematics and Evolution. Her research is focused on the development, function and evolution of floral features which enhance pollination success. This work is important because the enormous species diversity of the flowering plants can be attributed, at least in part, to the reproductive isolation resulting from the recruitment of animals as pollen vectors. This understanding also underpins research into security of animal-pollinated food crops, providing opportunities to support plant breeders in their efforts to optimize yields of key crops.

Dr Sara Oldfield

Sara gained a degree in Geography and Botany from London University and has enjoyed a career working on various aspects of biodiversity conservation. Initially she worked on peatland conservation in the UK and subsequently was employed as Conservation Officer at Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew. Following ten years freelance work she joined UNEP World Conservation Monitoring Centre and then Fauna & Flora International. Sara led Botanic Gardens Conservation International (BGCI) as Secretary General from 2005 - 2015 and since then has worked in a freelance capacity once more. She was Chair of the IUCN SSC Global Tree Specialist Group from 2003 - 2023. Sara was awarded an honorary PhD by Ghent University in 2013 and an OBE in 2017 in recognition of her work in global tree conservation.

6. QUESTIONS & ANY OTHER BUSINESS. *If any member wishes to raise a matter, please notify the Secretary in advance.*

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF MANAGEMENT Angela Shaw, Company Secretary, 01 October 2025.