

Wednesday 29th September 2021
Memorial Court, Northwich

Welcome

Welcome to the fourth Cheshire Branch conference but what a strange two years it has been since the last time we gathered together.

The aim of this event has always been to bring clerks and officers together for a great day of learning and networking and we hope this delivers.

After the last two years of endless Zoom, we hope you

enjoy a real life event, and seeing one another in the flesh!

Please take the time to visit the exhibitors who help make the event run and don't forget to complete your feedback sheet at the end of the day. In 2019 you said you wanted sweets on the table... enjoy!

Your Conference Programme

0900-0925	Arrival and Networking
0925-1010	Practical Steps for Improving Biodiversity in your Community Adam Linnet, Cheshire Wildlife Trust
1015-1100	People and Trees in your Community Guy Smallthwaite, Treesure Consultancy
1100-1130	Break and Networking
1130-1215	Community Emergency Planning Chris Samuel, Cheshire Emergency Planning Team
1220-1300	Public Rights of Way Nicola Swinnerton, Cheshire East Council PROW
1300-1345	Lunch and Networking
1345-1430	Community Engagement Lara Jacob, Stockton Heath Parish Council
1430-1510	Changes to the Planning System Andrew Towlerton, SLCC Planning Advisor
1510-1530	Break and Networking
1530-1615	Time Habits Steven Watson, 27 and a half*
1615-1620	Conference Close

Your Speakers



Adam Linnet

Cheshire Wildlife Trust

Adam is the Wilder Communities Coordinator at CWT. The aim of his role is to help more communities take action for their local wildlife through empowering, enabling and facilitating. The end goal will be one in four people taking meaningful, visible action for wildlife across the county, bringing wildlife back to the whole of Cheshire.



Guy Smallthwaite

Treestyle Consultancy

Guy is an arboricultural consultant; a professional member of the Arboricultural Association and an Associate Member with the Institute of Chartered Foresters with over 15 years of experience in the industry. Through Treasure, Guy prepares tree surveys for private and public sector clients.



Chris Samuel

Cheshire Emergency Planning Team

Chris is the Team Manager at the Cheshire Emergency Planning Team which works with emergency services and other agencies to develop emergency response arrangements for any incidents that could arise.



Nicola Swinnerton

Cheshire East Council

Nicola is one of three network management and enforcement officers in Cheshire East Council. Nicola has covered the north east of the borough and now covers the south including everything south of Crewe. Before working for Cheshire East Council, she worked for Staffordshire County Council and managed their Rights of Way Team.



Lara Jacob

Stockton Heath Parish Council

Lara is clerk to Stockton Heath Parish Council and recently completed her Community Governance: Local Council Management Certificate in Higher Education with distinction.



Andrew Towlerton

SLCC

Andrew Towlerton is the National Planning Advisor to the Society of Local Council Clerks. A qualified planner, Andrew has worked in various senior planning roles in the public and private sectors. He is also a parish clerk so is familiar with local councils.



Steven Watson

27 and a half*

Steven is a business owner, former Higher Education teacher, and author of 'Time Ltd. - Transform your busyness into a thriving business'. He's a time mastery specialist who helps busy professionals to develop time habits. Steven believes that instead of wishing we could make more time, we should focus on making more of time.