

Saturday 29th February 2020
Wherstead Park, Ipswich, Suffolk IP9 2BJ

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What does a successful verge look like?

Programme

- 09:30 **Arrival and registration** (Tea and coffee available from café)
- 10:00 **Welcome and introduction** *Martin Sanford, Chair of SNS*
- 10:10 **Plantlife's Road Verge Campaign: transforming the way the UK's verges are managed** *Kate Petty, Plantlife*
- 10.45 **Hazel Dormice on Road Verges** *Ian White, People's Trust for Endangered Species*
- 10:55 **Buglife, B-Lines and Road verges** *Catherine Jones, Buglife*
- 11.30 **Suffolk County Council Parish Roadside Nature Reserve Pilots**
Holly Emmens, Cllr Richard Rout, Suffolk County Council
- 11:40 **Tea and coffee**
- 12:05 **On the Verge of Change: managing Norfolk's highways in an age of austerity** *Ed Stocker & David White, Norfolk County Council*
- 12.15 **Highways for Wildlife, defending and extending the UK's road verge network for biodiversity** *Mark Schofield, Lincolnshire Wildlife Trust*
- 12.50 **Lunch – a range of options is available from the café or bring your own**
- 13.35 **Introduction to afternoon session**
- 13.45 **Creating New Verges of Value to Wildlife – the importance of soil fertility or lack of it** *Phil Sterling, Butterfly Conservation*
- 14.20 **From Verge Grass to Fuel – a possibility to make conservation pay?**
Nick Cheffins, Peakhill Associates
- 14.40 **Enhancing Biodiversity Along the Strategic Road Network**
Leonardo Gubert, Highways England
- 15:15 **Tea and coffee**
- 15:40 **Questions and Discussion with The Panel**
- 16:40 **Close of conference**

Cost £13 (SNS members & students), £18 (non-members) Offers on website
Lunch available to buy at Café or bring your own

Please pay in advance online or at the door on the day.

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