

# The National Biodiversity Network Trust

*Making data work for nature*

*Lisa Chilton, CEO*



# In a topshell



European Painted Top Shell from SS Thesis wreck / reef, Sound of Mull,  
October 16, 2021 by Tony Gilbert · iNaturalist

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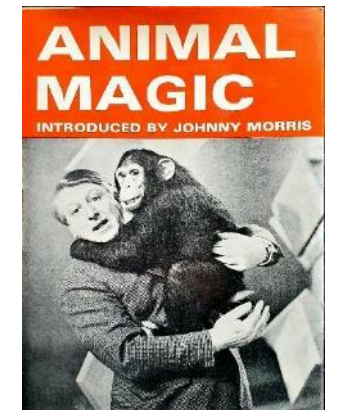
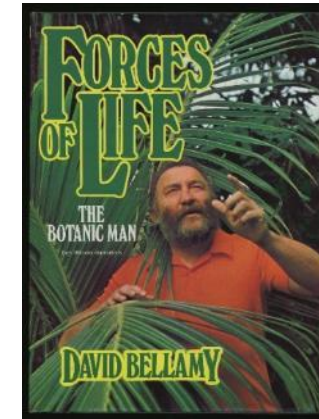
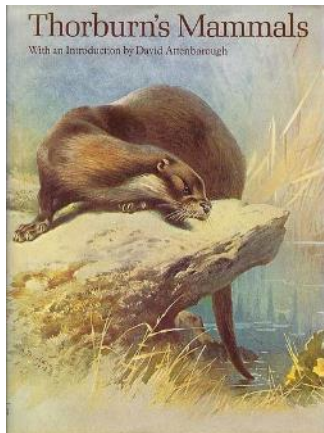
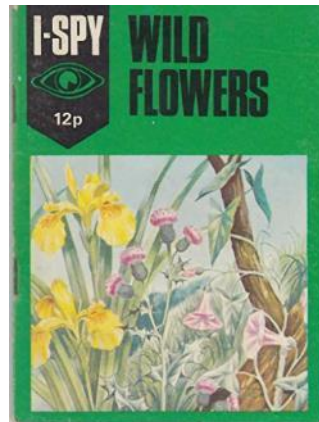
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Eurasian Beaver, Budleigh Salterton, August 07, 2020 by Lana Schofield · iNaturalist

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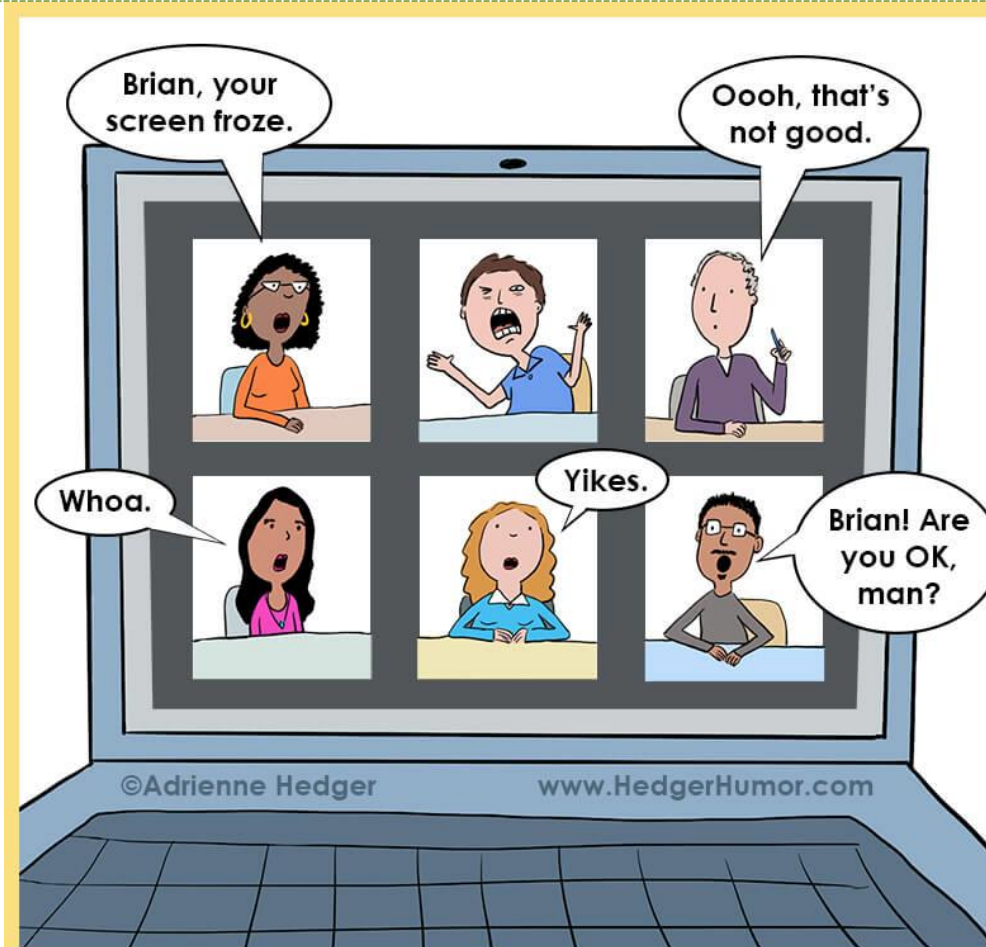
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# Highlights so far

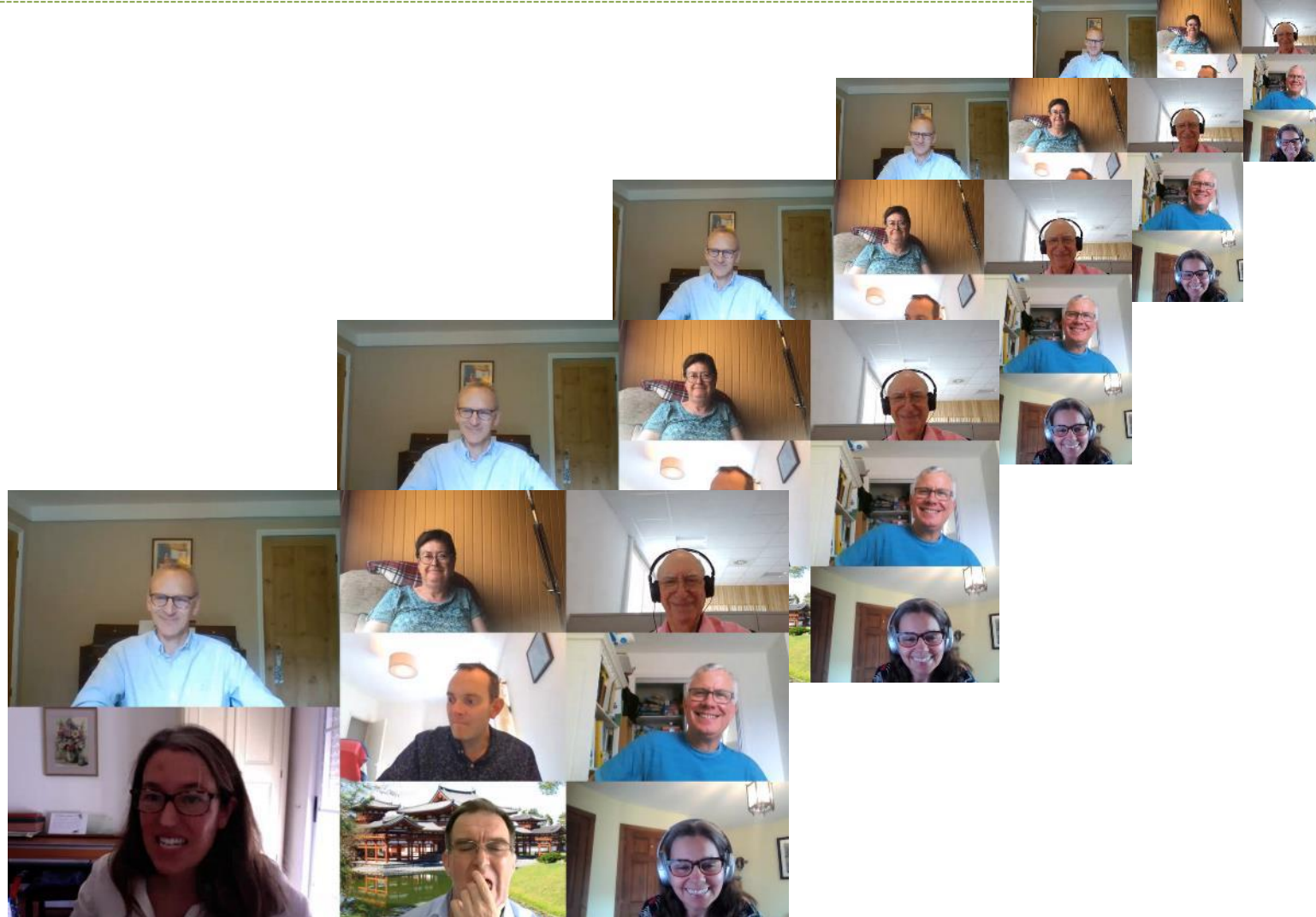


# Highlights so far



**Videoconference Fact: The only time your screen will freeze is when you're not looking good.**

# The NBN Trust's new Strategy



# Our vision



Atlantic Puffin in May 2021 by Nik Borrow

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## Nature thriving everywhere, in all its diversity

We passionately believe that, together, we can reverse the biodiversity crisis. Our sights are set on a future in which the natural world has bounced back to health. In which nature is sharing with us its many gifts – from clean air and water to food and flood-prevention. And in which wildlife is bringing joy, hope and inspiration to our daily lives.

## Making data work for nature

We provide vital evidence for nature's recovery. We build partnerships to ensure that those who need biodiversity evidence – for policies, planning, research and conservation, and to connect people and communities with nature – can access the data they need.



Cockchafer, July 2021 by nutz10s. · iNaturalist

# Ambition 1



**The NBN Atlas is the ‘go to’ place for sharing and accessing UK biodiversity data.**

- Removing barriers to data sharing
- Introducing access controls
- Enhancing stability and functionality
- Promoting use in research and education
- Partnering with others to develop new products and services

Fifteen-scaled Worm from Ards, Northern Ireland, February 07 2021 by Christine Morrow - iNaturalist

## Ambition 2

### Biodiversity data is providing the evidence needed for nature's recovery

- Delivering Scotland's Better Biodiversity Data Project
- Fulfilling key functions within England's Biodiversity Data Framework
- Increasing global sharing through GBIF
- Promoting data standards and principles
- Partnering with others to develop and pilot new approaches



Hoary Rosette Lichen from Bristol, October 10, by Jon Martin · iNaturalist

## Ambition 3



Fireworks anemone, Highland, Scotland, August 14 2009 by Jim Greenfield · iNaturalist

### Citizen science is recognised and supported as the major source of biodiversity data.

- Providing a voice for biodiversity citizen science
- Making it easier for recorders to find projects and vice versa
- Promoting and supporting iNaturalist as one of several key recording tools
- Monitoring new apps and tools and ensuring integration in data pathways
- Partnering with others to help secure the future of recording

## Ambition 4

**The National Biodiversity Network is a well-connected and highly collaborative community with a united voice on key issues.**

- Expanding the NBN, targeting strategic gaps
- Building consensus on key issues and foster collaboration
- Speaking out for biodiversity data



Black Brittle-star from Ards, Northern Ireland. January 17 2021 by Christine Morrow

# Our commitment to sustainability



Lustrous Bog-moss, Oban, August 01 2021 by jonnyecology · iNaturalist

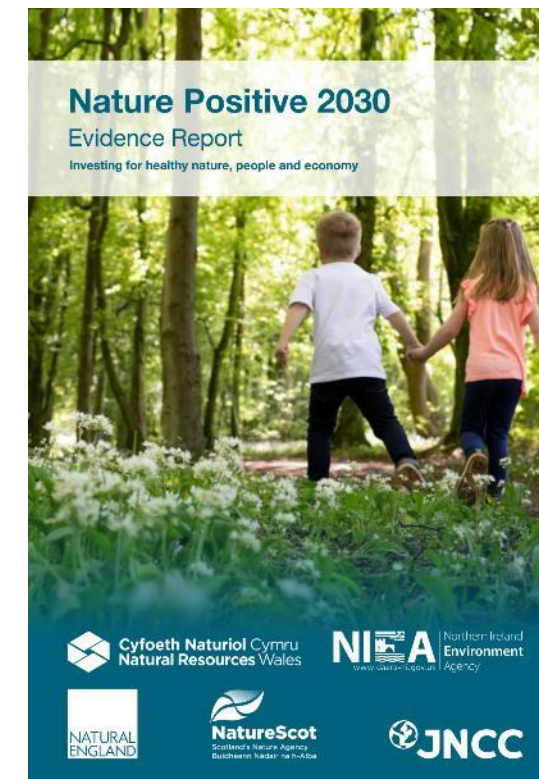
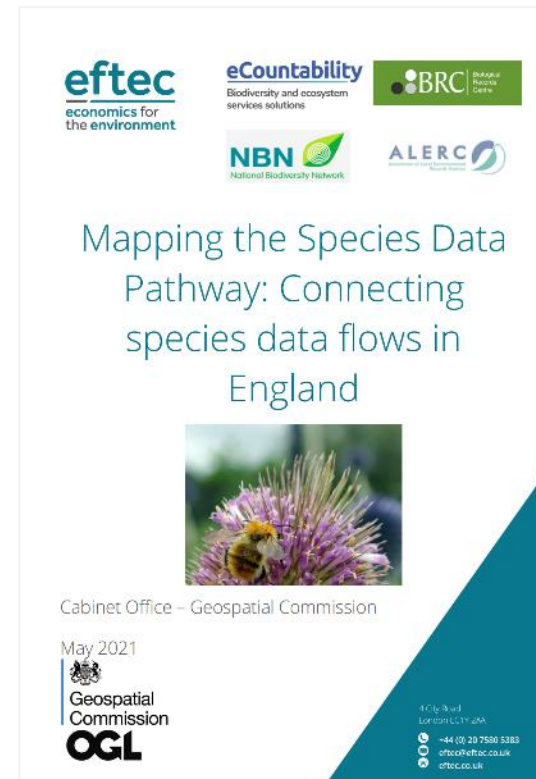
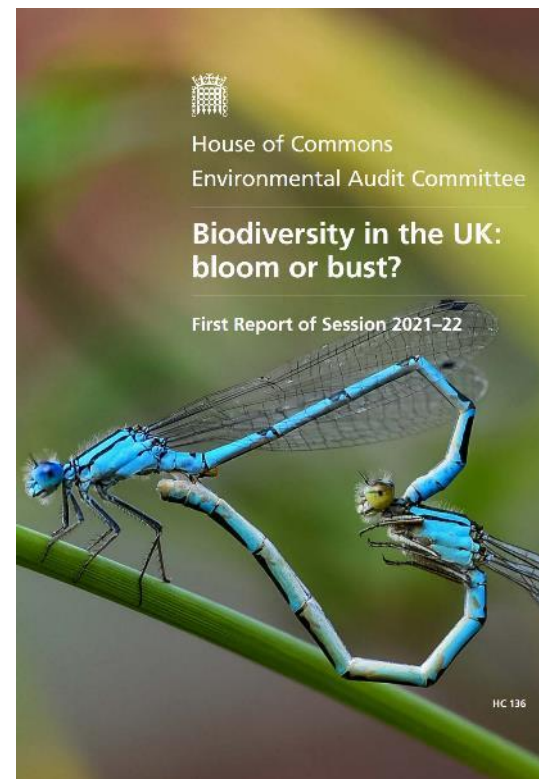
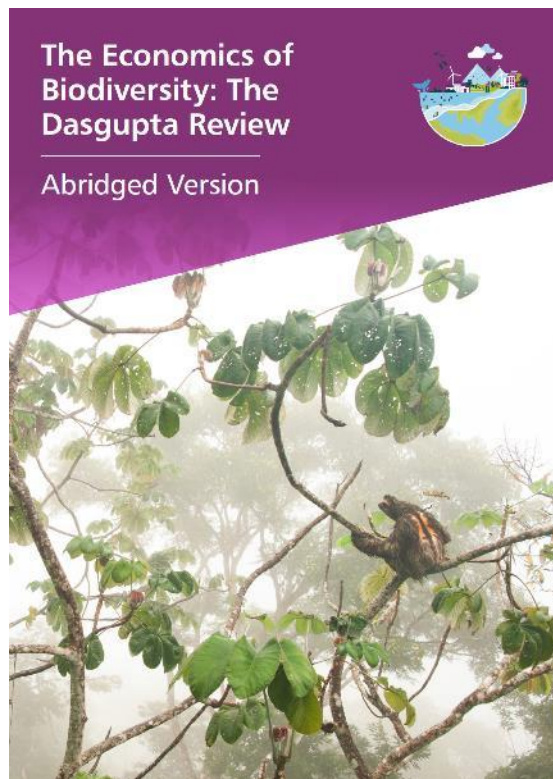
- **Financial** – Securing the future of the NBN Trust by growing and diversifying our income streams.
- **Environmental** – Minimising the Trust's environmental impacts and working towards Net Zero for carbon.
- **Social** – Prioritising staff wellbeing and ensuring the Trust is a great place to work.

# How are you feeling?



European Toad, South Downs National Park, October 23, 2021 by Milly Manley  
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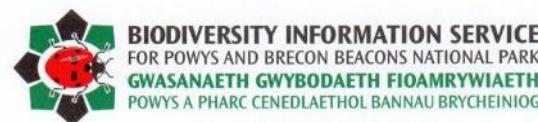
# Reasons to be Cheerful, part 1



## Reasons to be Cheerful, part 2



# Reasons to be Cheerful, part 3



# Call to action

- Get in touch
- Get involved
- Partner with us
- Use the NBN Atlas
- Spread the word



Shy Cosmet Moth, Cinderhill Wood Nature Reserve, April 15 2019 by Barry Walter  
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# Thank you



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