



**Alderney**  
Wildlife Trust



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### The Inter-Island Environment Meeting Comes to Alderney!

His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor of the Bailiwick of Guernsey, Lieutenant General Richard Cripwell CB CBE, opens the 2022 Inter-Island Environment Meeting (IEM) in Alderney on Thursday (October 13<sup>th</sup>).

The two-day conference marks the sixth time that Alderney has hosted the IEM, with delegates from across the Channel Islands, Isle of Man, Isle of Wight and the UK.

Founded in 2000, the IEM brings together Island governments, charities, businesses and individuals working in the environmental sector annually.

More than 90 delegates are due to attend with around 40 expected to make their way to the Island in person.

Alderney has always played an important role in the IEM, arranging some of the most diverse programmes. In 2019, Alderney hosted the Wilder Islands Conference alongside the IEM and more than 120 delegates took part from islands across the British Isles and North Atlantic. Not only do the meetings showcase Alderney's rich natural environment, they also have a significant impact on the local economy.

The theme of this year's meeting is 'sharing knowledge and developing best practice'. The talks will also have a focus on how to respond to the increasing number of environmental emergencies, especially poignant given the impact of avian influenza this year and the continued battle with invasive species such as Asian hornets.

This year's speakers will include representatives of the various Channel Island States, the Isle of Wight Council, Isle of Man and Isle of Wight Wildlife Trusts and the British Trust for Ornithology among others. In total there will be 20 presentations and a further five workshops focussing on establishing new collaborations between the various islands.

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The conference itself will be held in the Orangery at the Georgian House Hotel in Victoria Street. It is hosted by the States of Alderney and the Alderney Wildlife Trust (through support from Charles Asprey) and has been made possible thanks to support from KPMG in the Crown Dependencies.

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## Background

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### About the [Alderney Wildlife Trust](#)

The Alderney Wildlife Trust is one of the 46 [Wildlife Trusts](#) working across the British Isles. We are the youngest of the Wildlife Trusts, forming 20 years ago and since then the AWT has received incredible support from a dedicated team of wildlife enthusiasts, what we like to think of as the 'TeamWilder'. This team isn't just limited to residents and AWT members, it includes people from all walks of life who have an interest in our island's wildlife, as well as supporters and organizations from around the world. We work with the local community to engage them with their natural environment in order to protect Alderney's wildlife for the future.

Our mission is to study, protect and champion Alderney's wildlife. We wish to see a thriving natural island where wildlife and natural habitats play a valued role in addressing our island's future and the climate and ecological emergencies that face us.

***Alderney is a very special place and by helping the work of the Alderney Wildlife Trust you can make a difference. After all, if you love where you live, you'll want to look after it - Dr. George McGavin, Patron AWT***

### Participating Organisations include:

- [Alderney Bird Observatory](#)
- [Alderney Wildlife Trust](#)
- [Blue Marine Foundation](#)
- [British Trust for Ornithology](#)
- [FISHINTEL](#)
- [Government of Jersey](#)
- [Guernsey Biological Record Centre](#)
- [Hampshire and Isle of Wight Wildlife Trust](#)
- [Isle of Wight Council](#)
- [KPMG in the Crown Dependencies?](#)
- [La Société Guernesiaise](#)
- [Manx Wildlife Trust](#)
- [The National Trust for Jersey](#)
- [Plymouth University](#)
- [\(but not doing a talk?\)Société Jersiaise](#)
- [States of Alderney](#)
- [States of Guernsey](#)
- [The Wildlife Trusts](#)

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