



**Butterfly
Conservation**

Saving butterflies, moths and our environment

Butterfly Conservation Council – What does Council do?

Council is the legally responsible governing body of Butterfly Conservation, both as a Charity and a Company Limited by Guarantee. Council is responsible for the overall governance and strategic direction of Butterfly Conservation, developing the organisation's aims, objectives and goals in accordance with the Articles of Association, legal and regulatory guidelines. Council consists of no less than 3 and no more than 15 elected Trustees.

Role

- To ensure that the charity and its representatives function within the legal and regulatory framework of the sector and in line with the organisation's governing document, continually striving for best practice in governance. Council is accountable to members, funders, the Charity Commission, the Office of the Scottish Charity Regulator and Companies House.
- To uphold the legal duty of trust invested in Council, undertaking such duties in a way that adds to public confidence and trust in the charity.
- To determine the overall direction and development of the charity through clear strategic planning.
- To maintain sound financial management of the charity's resources, ensuring expenditure is in line with Butterfly Conservation's objectives and that investment activities meet accepted standards and policies.
- To ensure the effective and efficient administration of the charity and its resources, striving for best practice in good governance.

Delegated Power

Council has the power to delegate duties to employees and sub-committees within Butterfly Conservation. However, Council retains overall responsibility for the governance, strategic direction and performance of Butterfly Conservation.