

# Future Woodlands Scotland

## Future Woodlands Scotland Trustee Biographies (alphabetical)

### **Andrew Fairbairn**

Andrew was one of the founding Trustees of the charity, representing the Woodland Trust Scotland where he worked until January 2015. He retained a close connection to Future Woodlands Scotland and was delighted to be co-opted back onto the Board of Trustees in March 2019. He now runs a small business testing new domestic and commercial buildings for energy efficiency and enjoys cycling and the great outdoors.

### **Tim Hall**

Tim is a Chartered Forester with 25 years experience of working in forestry for predominantly environmental and social benefits. He has a particularly strong interest in urban forestry. As Head of Operations for The Woodland Trust Scotland he has an overview of all their properties in Scotland and a strong involvement in aspects of forestry policy work. He lives near Edinburgh with his wife and three children.

### **Giles Mackey**

Giles is the HSE Manager for BP Exploration covering offshore operations in the North Sea. He joined BP in 1998 and has held a number of HSE positions in the UK and North Africa. Giles has played a leading role in the development of BP's global Carbon Strategy, recently leading the development of a global methane emissions reductions plan and research into methane detection and quantification techniques. He holds degrees in Occupational Health & Safety; Zoology; and Environmental Management and he is chartered with the Institute of Environmental Management and Assessment (CIEMA). Giles is married with two children and is passionate about cycling and the outdoors.

### **Lynne Staples-Scott**

Lynne graduated with a politics degree from Teesside Polytechnic in 1985 and has over 30 years' experience in a variety of external affairs roles in both the public and private sector in Scotland. Lynne moved to Scotland in 1992 when she joined Moray District Council, she then moved to the United Kingdom Atomic Energy Authority in 1997 and BP in 2000. She was closely involved with the Scottish Forest Alliance for many years and continued as the BP representative on the Future Woodlands Scotland SCIO until she left the company in 2016. Lynne is now an independent member of the SCIO and runs a small stained glass business in Aberdeenshire.

### **Richard Thompson**

Richard Thompson works for Forest Enterprise Scotland (FES) as their Native Woodland Ecologist. He has held this post since 2008. Richard advises FES on Planted Ancient Woodland Site restoration, Ancient Semi-Natural Woodland condition improvement, herbivore impact assessment, montane scrub restoration and silvicultural management of native woods. He worked for Forest Research prior to this appointment and developed an interest in Atlantic woodlands –

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particularly in relation to management impacts on bryophytes and lichens. Richard has recently taken over as secretary to the Native Pinewood Managers Group.

## **Jeff Waddell**

Jeff is an ecologist, currently working as Head of Ecology, Scotland for RSPB Scotland. He studied Biology with honours in Plant Science at the University of Edinburgh and has since had a varied career in nature conservation working in practical conservation, research, education, survey and advisory roles. As well as short term contracts at Royal Botanic Garden Edinburgh, Scottish Wildlife Trust, McBride Habitats and North East Scotland Biological Records Centre Jeff worked for Warwickshire Wildlife Trust for three years as Wildlife Sites Officer and Forest Enterprise Scotland for nine years as Biodiversity Officer and then Open Habitats Ecologist. In his current role at RSPB, Jeff leads a team of ecologists, guiding management and monitoring of nature reserves throughout Scotland, covering a full range of habitats and species of conservation interest including native broadleaved and Scot's Pine woodland. He also supports RSPB policy work on forestry, protected areas, agriculture and peatlands. Jeff maintains his strong interest in botany as the Botanical Society of the British Isles Recorder for Roxburghshire and Selkirkshire and as a member of the Hellenic Botanical Society and has previously held voluntary positions with Butterfly Conservation as Moth Recorder for Roxburghshire and Butterfly Recorder for the East of Scotland.

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