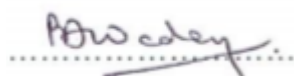


Minutes of a decision taken by the board of trustees by email on 14 June 2022

PARTICIPATING Phil Wadey (chairman)
Stuart Bain
Graham Bathe
John Hall
Simon Hunt
Tara-Jane Sutcliffe
Steve Warr

- 96/22 The trustees considered a proposal from the chairman and vice-chairman, supported by the general secretary, to present to Chris Beney the Eversley award for outstanding personal endeavour. The award would be made at the AGM on 7 July.
- 97/22 The paper which accompanied the proposal explained that the Eversley Award, which was established by the trustees in 2015 and last given in 2016, is presented on an occasional basis to individuals for outstanding personal endeavour, typically lifetime or long-term work, in the protection of commons, greens, paths, and access.
- 98/22 The paper recorded that Chris had devoted his life to the subject. In addition to his work for OSS, he chaired the British Standards Panel for three revisions of the standard for gaps, gates, and stiles (BS5709), in which he was most influential. He has remained active locally in Hertfordshire, undertaking physical work on path improvements and ensuring proper recording and signposting. He has been a local pioneer in encouraging landowners to dedicate their land for access and to provide additional benefits. He has been able to reach agreement among the diverse and conflicting interests of landowners, users, councillors, and officials, and has a way of dealing with people which has enabled him to negotiate difficult subjects well, and with resulting success.
- 99/22 The trustees unanimously (with the exclusion of Chris Beney) agreed to present Chris with the Eversley Award at the AGM.

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "P Wadey", is written over a horizontal dotted line.

Phil Wadey
Chair of Trustees