

📌 Calling All Conservation Experts! 🌱🐦

We're on a mission to secure a **SSSI (Site of Special Scientific Interest) designation** for our cherished local habitat of Bewl Water and we need your wisdom!

If you have experience navigating the complexities of environmental conservation, particularly in achieving a wildlife designation status, we'd love to hear from you. Your insights could be the key to preserving this unique treasure for generations to come.

Why now? 🐦

Last year we commissioned an independent ornithological study which highlighted that the internationally important gull roost at Bewl Water is extremely sensitive to nighttime disturbance from human activities. The operators of Bewl have just had a planning application for overnight accommodation turned down for ecology reasons but, although the site fulfils all the criteria for SSSI status, the fact it isn't officially recognised as an SSSI means that Bewl Water doesn't have the protection it deserves. It is likely that the operators will continue to pursue their ambitions to build overnight accommodation here and may succeed, destroying the gulls unspoilt habitat forever.

Together, we can champion the cause of biodiversity and safeguard this unique habitat. Please reach out if you can assist us in this noble endeavour. Every bit of expertise helps us move one step closer to our goal!

✉️ **If you think you might be able to help please contact us at:** clerk@wadhurst-pc.gov.uk

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