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WHAT DO YOU LIKE ABOUT BEING A FELLOW?

It's a really nice touch to be recognised by your peers and mentors for doing your job well. I've always tried to be professional and hold to my principles, which CIEEM's Code of Conduct reflect very closely. My loyalty is to nature conservation whoever I'm working for, so it's good to know that the profession recognises this.

WHY DID YOU APPLY FOR FELLOWSHIP?

I was encouraged to apply by an existing Fellow and former President! It hadn't occurred to me that I might have made a significant contribution to the profession but on reflection, having mapped out what I've done during my career, this fitted the criteria.

WHY DO YOU THINK FELLOWS MATTER TO THE INSTITUTE?

Ecology, and conservation ecology in particular, are under-valued by society. To steal a line from the AA, I believe conservation ecologists are the 'fourth emergency service'! Now more than ever before, when we're staring into the abyss in terms of nature's decline, we need to stand up and be counted, to hold our own, to speak out and demand to be heard. We need a high profile for that, and Fellows are part of that profile.



WHO ARE YOU?

With 25 years working in biodiversity conservation, my career includes seven years at English Nature (Species Officer, Conservation Officer), and Ecologist, Senior Ecologist, Conservation Manager and now Natural Resources Team Manager for my current employers the Brecon Beacons National Park Authority.

Having joined the Institute in 1990 (student), I am a founder Member, which has supported me throughout my career.

