Shropshire Wildlife Trust is committed to eliminating discrimination and encouraging diversity amongst our workforce. Our aim is that our workforce will be truly representative of all sections of society and each employee feels respected and able to give of their best.

**DIGNITY AND DIVERSITY AT WORK**

Policy Statement

Review Date: January 2019

Next Review: January 2020

To that end the purpose of this policy is to provide equality and fairness for all

in our employment and not to discriminate because of age, disability, gender

reassignment, marriage and civil partnership, pregnancy and maternity, race,

ethnic origin, colour, nationality, national origin, religion or belief, sex and sexual orientation.

We oppose all forms of unlawful and unfair discrimination. All employees, whether part-time, full-time or temporary, will be treated fairly and with respect. Selection for employment, promotion, relevant training or any other benefit will be on the basis of aptitude and ability.

All employees will be helped and encouraged to develop their full potential and the talents and resources of the workforce will be fully utilised to maximise the efficiency of the organisation. We are keen to promote talent within our staff

Our commitment:

• To create an environment in which individual differences and the

 contributions of all our staff are recognised and valued.

• Every employee is entitled to a working environment that promotes dignity and respect to all. No form of intimidation, bullying or harassment will be tolerated.

• Relevant training, development and progression opportunities are available to all staff as they arise.

7• Equality in the workplace is good management practice and makes sound business sense.

• We will regularly review all our employment practices and procedures to ensure fairness.

• Breaches of our Diversity and Dignity at Work policy will be regarded as misconduct and could lead to disciplinary proceedings.

• This policy is fully supported by senior management and has been agreed with Trustees of Shropshire Wildlife Trust.

• The policy will be monitored and reviewed annually.