

# The Nominees

## BETHAN WOOD

**Senior Lecturer  
University of Glasgow**

Before joining the University, Beth worked as a secondary Science Teacher. She now works at the Dumfries campus of the university and created the BSc the BSc Environmental Science & Sustainability degree and the MSc on Carbon Management (now withdrawn).

She secured funding for two PhDs looking at farm visits and the primary curriculum for excellence, and secondary pupil agricultural experiences through interdisciplinary learning. Another of her PhD student has just finished researching ESD in further education.

Beth teaches sustainability on all of her courses and organises credit-bearing environmental placements for students. She would like to be part of the steering group to continue driving LfS forward.

## KERR MCCONNELL

**Education & Learning Co-ordinator  
Keep Scotland Beautiful**

Prior to working at Keep Scotland Beautiful (KSB), Kerr worked in mainstream education for 30 years, 20 years as a Head Teacher. This gave him experience in implementing Curriculum for Excellence, ensuring environmental education received its due place with LfS providing a natural vehicle for learning across the curriculum. Kerr worked with Eco Schools on Green Flag journeys, providing many opportunities for children to question, challenge and take action on sustainable issues impacting their futures.

Kerr's current role involves developing and implementing the Eco-Schools Scotland programme and other education initiatives, linking to LfS and wider sustainable development education initiatives.

He would now welcome the opportunity of working closer with partners to contribute to Learning for Sustainability Scotland.

## LAURA CURTIS-MOSS

**Scotland Education Officer  
RSPB Scotland**

Laura has a wealth of knowledge and experience in the field of Learning for Sustainability, having worked in the sector for over a decade; a journey that started as a peer educator with the Scout Association's Global Awareness Partnership Project in 2002. Since moving to Scotland she has worked and volunteered with a diverse range of environmental and educational organisations including Royal Botanic Gardens Edinburgh and National Museums Scotland.

Laura's role with RSPB has involved her in several Learning for Sustainability Scotland events and working groups and she has is eager to contribute on a more formal basis.

## LORNA MATTHEWS

**Primary School Teacher  
North Ayrshire**

Lorna has recently moved to a small primary school in Millport, Cumbrae – a small island on the west coast of Scotland. Previously, she worked in a larger school in the Scottish Borders and was instrumental in establishing environmental initiatives such as eco and forest schools. She fully intends to continue these initiatives in her new role.

In addition, Lorna is currently studying for an MSc in Learning for Sustainability at Moray House School of Education. Her long term objectives are to move out of the traditional classroom teaching role and into development work in the area of Learning for Sustainability.

Being part of the steering group would provide her with the opportunity to be more involved in this vital area of the curriculum – an opportunity she would welcome.

## REBECCA PETFORD

**Scotland Programme Manager  
Environmental Association for  
Universities and Colleges –  
Scotland (EAUC Scotland)**

EAUC-Scotland support colleges and universities to embed sustainability in operations, teaching and research. They already work closely with Learning for Sustainability Scotland (LfSS) including holding joint Task Groups on education for sustainable development for both colleges and universities.

Representation on the Steering Group will allow EAUC-Scotland and LfSS to maximise opportunities to work collaboratively to enhance LfS within Scotland's colleges and universities.

Rebecca has been interested in LfS since completing her undergraduate degree in Sustainable Development. She has additional skills and experience in events planning and communications to offer to the Learning for Sustainability Steering Group. Rebecca admires the work of LfSS, and would love to be involved.

## SARAH FORD-HUTCHINSON

**Communications Co-ordinator  
University of Edinburgh**

Sarah's role at University of Edinburgh is to communicate the work that the University does around Social Responsibility and Sustainability, and to encourage behaviour change within the University community. She creates videos, social media campaigns and website content.

She joined the Learning for Sustainability Scotland Communications task group in March 2016, bringing experience of developing, running and evaluating communications campaigns to the team.

She wishes to join the Steering Group to embed successful communications into the heart of LfS Scotland, seeing this as integral to making productive steps forward in 2017/18. For Sarah, involvement with the steering group would give her more experience of communications consultancy and multiple stakeholder engagement – activities she enjoys immensely.