

BOSELE LAKE NGAMI CONSERVATION TRUST

The Bosele Lake Ngami Conservation Trust comprises community members from the villages surrounding Lake Ngami - Sehithwa, Bothatogo and Legothwana – who have a commitment to conserving their Important Bird Area (IBA) and its special avifauna. The objective of the Trust is as follows:

“to ensure that all three villages work together towards the conservation and sustainable utilization of resources found in and around Lake Ngami, for the overall betterment of the communities and Botswana at large”

Bosele Trust is a ‘Site Support Group’, to use BirdLife terminology – one of 150 such community-based organizations existing at IBAs throughout Africa. It is legally registered in Botswana, and the Board of Trustees who direct the affairs of the Trust are all democratically elected in accordance with the Constitution.



Trustees standing outside the Bosele Office in Sehithwa (Photo: M Mfolwe)

The Trust has an office in Sehithwa opposite the kgotla, which BirdLife Botswana has helped to furnish with assistance from the BirdLife Africa/SwedBio project.



Trust members are interested in assisting with the ongoing monitoring of birds at Lake Ngami, and tapping its potential for avi-tourism – tourism based on the rich and varied birdlife to be found at the Lake currently. In this way the Trust, together with assistance from BirdLife Botswana, will be contributing to diversify Botswana’s tourism product. Plans are underway to develop community campsites at the Lake, for use by mobile operators and self-drive tourists. BirdLife Botswana has trained a cadre of local bird guides from the Trust, who operate on a freelance basis and may be contacted directly to arrange for a birding outing at the Lake – they know the area well, and have a mokoro to access the main bird habitats. For more information on local bird guides, [click here](#).



Aerial view of Lake Ngami (Photo: H Oake)

To find out more about Bosele Lake Ngami Conservation Trust, write to the Secretary, PO Box 100, Sehithwa. Telephone 72607455 or 71614662.