

Upland Ecosystem Services

Losehill Hall - Peak District National Park Study Centre, Castleton



Conference Programme

Thursday 9 November 2006

9:30 –10:15	reception
10.15	Welcome <i>Martyn Howat, regional director North East, Natural England</i>
10.20	Moors for the Future Partnership <i>Chris Dean, MFF project manager</i>
10.35	Moors for the Future conference introduction <i>Aletta Bonn & Jonathan Walker, MFF research team</i>
10.40	Ecosystem services <i>Alastair Fitter, University of York</i>
11.10	tea & coffee
Drivers of Change	
11.40	The importance of natural processes in eroding peatlands <i>Martin Evans, Manchester University</i>
12.00	Threats from air pollution and climate change on upland systems - past, present & future <i>Bridget Emmett, CEH Bangor, Simon Caporn, Manchester Metropolitan University</i>
12.20	A recent history of land management in the uplands <i>Adrian Yallop, Cranfield University</i>
12.40	Policy change in the uplands <i>Ian Condliffe, Natural England</i>
13.00	lunch
Ecosystem Services & Goods	
14.00	Moors for the Future Research <i>Jonathan Walker, Charlie Horsford, Andrew Jones & Aletta Bonn, MFF research team</i>
14.20	Carbon Flux from uplands <i>Fred Worrall, Durham University, Martin Evans, Manchester University</i>
14.40	Managing uplands for game and sporting interest – conflicts and opportunities <i>Nick Sotherton, Game Conservancy Trust</i>
15.00	Valuing the Uplands <i>Nick Hanley, Sergio Colombo, Stirling University</i>
15.20	tea & coffee
Session I Water & Soil	
15.50	Moorland management and discolouration of water supplies: evidence on a catchment scale? <i>Helen O'Brien, Jill Labadz, Nottingham Trent University</i>
	State of upland freshwater systems <i>Tim Allott, Manchester University</i>
	Catchment Management – Who needs it? <i>Martin McGrath, United Utilities</i>
	Discussion

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Session II Biodiversity	
15.50	Condition of upland SSSIs - current state and future strategies <i>Alistair Crowle, Natural England</i>
	Threats and conservation of moorland mammals <i>Derek Yalden, Manchester University, Helen Perkins, Derbyshire Wildlife Trust</i>
	International importance of UK upland birds – changes with respect to land management and climate change <i>James Pearce-Higgins, Murray Grant, Colin Beale, Graeme Buchanan, Innes Sim, Jared Wilson, RSPB, Macaulay Institute</i>
	Discussion
Session III Cultural Heritage & Recreation	
15.50	People & moorlands – challenges of a managed cultural landscape <i>Bill Bevan, PDNPA</i>
	Visitors and environmental awareness <i>Claire Quinn, Evan Fraser, Thom Cooper, Nathalie Suckall, Leeds University</i>
	The met office fire severity index – fire and visitor access <i>Karl Kitchen, Penny Marno, Met Office</i>
	Discussion
Plenum	
17.10	Plenum - Reports from sessions
17.45	dinner
19.30	Moorland wildfire, visitors and climate change - patterns, prevention and policy <i>Julia McMorrow, Jonathan Ayles, Gina Cavan, Sarah Lindley, Kevin Albertson, Manchester University, Sustainability NorthWest, Manchester Metropolitan University</i>
20.00– 21.00	Poster presentations & drinks
evening	bar

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8.00	breakfast
Land Management, Social Change and Conservation	
9.00	Natural England Strategic Direction 2006-2009 <i>Martyn Howat, regional director North East, Natural England</i>
9.20	Landscape as an integrating framework for rural policy and planning <i>Carys Swanwick, Paul Selman, Sheffield University</i>
9.40	Moorland management with cattle - predicting the effects on vegetation and economics <i>Sarah Gardner, Tony Waterhouse, Nigel Critchley, Barbara McLean, ADAS, SAC</i>
10.00	Stakeholder involvement and sustainable development in National Parks <i>Stephen Connelly, Tim Richardson, Sheffield University</i>

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10.50	Moorland restoration – potential and progress <i>Penny Anderson, PAA consultants, Matt Buckler, Jonathan Walker, Moors for the Future</i>
11.20	Land managers: Where would ecosystems be without them? <i>Simon Thorp, Heather Trust</i>
11.40	Workshops <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Sustainable land use for provision of ecosystem services <i>chair: Jon Stewart, Peak District and Derbyshire team leader, Natural England</i> ▪ Park & People <i>chair: Jane Chapman, Head of conservation, PDNPA</i> ▪ Valuing the Uplands <i>chair: Mike Innerdale, High Peak Estate manager, National Trust</i>
12.30	Plenum - Reports from workshops
13.00	lunch
Rural Economy and Land Use Programme - Workshop	
14.00	Rural Economy and Land Use Programme (RELU) <i>Paul Rose, JNCC</i>
	Sustainable uplands: frameworks for adaptive learning <i>Klaus Hubacek, University of Leeds</i>
	The sustainability of hill farming <i>Paul Armsworth, University of Sheffield</i>
	Modelling the impacts of the water framework directive <i>Paulette Posen, University of East Anglia</i>
	Workshops / Plenum discussion
16.25	Conference summary Future research opportunities with Moors for the Future Partnership
16.30	Farewell



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