

Natura 2000 – a call to action

Event programme

10.30-11.00	Registration, tea/coffee
11.00-11.05	Introduction Rob Cooke, Director, Natural England
11.05-11.10	Welcome address Shirley Trundle, Director, Defra
11.10-11.30	Keynote speech – A celebration of the Natura 2000 network Andy Clements, Director, British Trust for Ornithology and Board Member, Natural England
11.30-12.15	Improvement Programme for England's Natura 2000 Sites (IPENS) Samantha Somers, IPENS Programme Manager <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Programme overview. ▪ Key issues affecting England's Natura 2000 sites and the priority actions we need to take to address them. ▪ Strategic Framework for the long term management of England's Natura 2000 sites.
12.15-12.45	Workshop session one – an introduction to some of the key issues affecting England's Natura 2000 sites and a discussion about the engagement and future steps needed to tackle them: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Climate change ▪ Grazing ▪ Hydrological functioning ▪ Invasive species ▪ Lake restoration
12.45-13.45	LUNCH



13.45-14.15	<p>Workshop session two – an introduction to some of the key issues affecting England’s Natura 2000 sites and a discussion about the engagement and future steps needed to tackle them:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Atmospheric nitrogen ▪ Diffuse water pollution ▪ Habitat fragmentation ▪ Inappropriate coastal management ▪ Public access and disturbance ▪ River restoration
14.15-14.45	<p>Biodiversity 2020: a strategy for England’s wildlife and ecosystem services</p> <p>Tom Butterworth, Principal Adviser Biodiversity, Natural England</p>
14.45-15.20	<p>Managing our Natura sites – a local perspective</p> <p>Matt Heard, Area Manager, Natural England and Shelly Dewhurst, West of England Nature Partnership</p>
15.20-15.45	<p>Questions & Answers – an opportunity to ask about anything you have heard today</p>
15.45	<p>Summing up</p> <p>Rob Cooke, Director, Natural England</p>
16.00	<p>CLOSE</p>

