

Local Access Forum National Conference (South)



Tuesday 23 February 2016

10:30 - 16:30hrs

Temple Quay House
2 The Square
Bristol
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Programme

Time	Activity	Presenter
10.30 - 11.00	Arrival Teas/Coffees	
11.00 - 11.25	Welcome	Chair: Matt Heard, Natural England
11.25 - 11.45	Presentation 1: Updates and Reforms	Jonathan Tweney, Defra
11.45 - 12.30	Workshop Session 1	
12.30 - 13.00	Presentation 2: New Barriers to Disabled Access	John Cuthbertson, Vice Chairman & Rambles Organiser for the Disabled Ramblers Arthur Lee, Chairman of the Disabled Rambles, Herefordshire LAF & Herefordshire Rambles.
13.00 - 13.45	Lunch	
13.45 - 14.15	Presentation 3: A stakeholders guide to influencing your local council	Nicola Greenwood, Access and Bridleways Officer, Wokingham
14.15 - 14.45	Presentation 4: Alternative funding for access projects	John Dennis
14.45 - 15.00	Break	
15.00 - 15.45	Workshop Session 2	
15.45 - 16.20	Q & A Session / Workshops Overview	Chair, Speakers
16.20 - 16.30	Conference Close	Chair

Workshops

Session	Room	Workshop Title	Presenter	Organisation
Morning	Main	Recreational Vehicles	John Richardson Alan Kind	LARA (Land Access and Recreation Association)
	Rm 3	Naturally Healthy Project	Bekki Redshaw Keeley Rolfe	Dartmoor National Park Exmoor National Park
	G10	Charitable status for sub-groups	Seamus Elliott Martin Sullivan	Norfolk LAF
Afternoon	Main	2026	Phil Wadey Sarah Bucks	Open Spaces Society
	Rm 3	Registering our White Roads	Peter McKay	Herefordshire LAF
	G10	Disability Access	Richard Holmes	Gloucestershire LAF
	Rm 2	Looking at the benefits of dementia inclusive walks	Rachel Niblock	Dementia Adventure

Additional Information

Presentation or Workshop	Brief Description
New Barriers to Disabled Access	The Disabled Ramblers helps the less mobile regain access to the countryside. To do this they have had to campaign for the removal of man-made barriers. While they have had some success with this, the disabled now find themselves thwarted by replacements which are just as effective in limiting the paths they can use; often due to the perception that the disabled wouldn't be able to or wouldn't want to go there.
Registering our White Roads	Increasing awareness of the legislation.
Disability Access	To build on the LAF Toolkit (Disability Access) and to share achievable and practical ideas to enable LAFs to improve access for people with disabilities.
Looking at the benefits of dementia inclusive walks	Looking at the benefits, and taking the fear out of supporting people living with dementia to go for a walk; drawing on the success of dementia inclusive walk programmes from around the country including a LAF project in Lincolnshire.