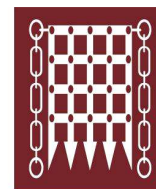


**Westminster Energy, Environment & Transport Forum Keynote Seminar:
The future for policy on biodiversity and natural capital in the UK: priorities, practicalities and targets**

Timing: Morning, Thursday, 21st April 2016

Venue: Royal Society, 6-9 Carlton House Terrace, London SW1Y 5AG

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- 8.30 - 9.00 Registration and coffee
- 9.00 - 9.05 **Chair's opening remarks**
Richard Benyon MP, Vice Chair, All-Party Parliamentary Environment Group and former Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State, Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs
- 9.05 - 9.15 **Assessing recent developments in EU biodiversity policy**
Dr Laure Ledoux, Deputy Head of Unit, Biodiversity, Directorate-General for the Environment, European Commission
- 9.15 - 9.25 **Case study: sustainable management of natural resources in Wales and next steps for policy reform**
Dr Andy Fraser, Head of Natural Resource Management, Welsh Government
- 9.25 - 9.40 Questions and comments from the floor
- 9.40 - 10.20 **Strategic priorities for UK biodiversity: conservation, monitoring, and business engagement**
Martin Harper, Conservation Director, RSPB
David Lowe, Principal Ecologist, Warwickshire County Council
Helen Meech, Director, Rewilding Britain
David McCabe, Innovation and Regulatory Affairs Manager, Tarmac
Questions and comments from the floor
- 10.20 - 10.25 **Chair's closing remarks**
Richard Benyon MP, Vice Chair, All-Party Parliamentary Environment Group and former Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State, Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs
- 10.25 - 10.50 Coffee
- 10.50 - 10.55 **Chair's opening remarks**
Barry Gardiner MP, Shadow Minister for Energy and Climate Change and Chair, All-Party Parliamentary Group on Biodiversity
- 10.55 - 11.05 **Communicating the value of biodiversity with local communities, businesses, and charities**
Pete Fox, Director of Water, Land and Biodiversity, Environment Agency
- 11.05 - 11.15 **Generating investment in conservation and biodiversity compensation**
Professor David Hill, Deputy Chair, Natural England and Chairman, Environment Bank
- 11.15 - 11.25 **Integrating biodiversity in planning infrastructure projects**
Cathy Myatt, Environment Manager, Crossrail
- 11.25 - 11.35 **Examining the value of England's natural capital**
Kerry ten Kate, Director, Business and Biodiversity Offsets Program, Forest Trends and former Member, Natural Capital Committee
- 11.35 - 11.50 Questions and comments from the floor
- 11.50 - 12.30 **Practicalities of protecting England's natural capital: ecosystem services and local decision-making**
Patrick Begg, Rural Enterprises Director, National Trust
Will Evison, Assistant Director, Sustainability and Climate Change, PwC
Julia Thrift, Head of Projects and Events, Town and Country Planning Association
Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.30 - 12.55 **Meeting Biodiversity 2020 targets and next steps for policy**
Shirley Trundle, Director, Natural Environment Policy, Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs
Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.55 - 13.00 **Chair's and Westminster Energy, Environment & Transport Forum closing remarks**
Barry Gardiner MP, Shadow Minister for Energy and Climate Change and Chair, All-Party Parliamentary Group on Biodiversity
Michael Ryan, Deputy Editor, Westminster Energy, Environment & Transport Forum