Westminster Energy, Environment & Transport Forum policy conference Biodiversity and species protection in the UK - new policy and regulation, implementation, and achieving a green and sustainable economic recovery

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12.30

TRANSPORT FORUM Registration 8.30 9.00 Chair's opening remarks Baroness McIntosh of Pickering, Co-Chair, All-Party Parliamentary Water Group and Member, House of Lords EU Environment Sub-Committee 9.05 <u>UK biodiversity policy going forward - scope, potential and implementation priorities</u> Dame Glenys Stacey, Chair Designate, Office for Environmental Protection (OEP) Questions and comments from the floor 9.30 Break 9.35 Priorities for wildlife protection obligations, the Agriculture Act and the Environment Bill Tom Bradshaw, Vice-President, National Farmers Union Professor Liz Fisher, Professor of Environmental Law, Faculty of Law, University of Oxford Nina Pindham, Barrister, Planning and Environment, No5 Barristers' Chambers 10.00 Achieving a green economic recovery - investment for natural restoration projects and rolling out nature-based climate solutions Harry Greenfield, Senior Land Use Policy Adviser, CLA Drew Bennellick, Head of Land and Nature Policy UK, National Lottery Heritage Fund Paul Morling, Principal Economist, RSPB 10.20 Questions and comments from the floor 10.40 Chair's closing remarks Baroness McIntosh of Pickering, Co-Chair, All-Party Parliamentary Water Group and Member, House of Lords EU Environment Sub-Committee 10.45 **Break** 10.55 Chair's opening remarks Barry Gardiner MP, Chair, APPG for Nature and former Minister for Biodiversity, Landscape and Rural Affairs 11.00 Evaluating the economic case for greater biodiversity and ecosystem resilience, and next steps for setting industrywide guidance Dr Jim Rouquette, Director, Natural Capital Solutions Emily McKenzie, Head of Evidence and Policy, Dasgupta Review on Economics of Biodiversity, HM Treasury Questions and comments from the floor 11.30 Practical steps for integrating biodiversity net-gain requirements into the planning system Sally Hayns, Chief Executive Officer, Chartered Institute of Ecology and Environmental Management 11.40 Implementing local approaches to biodiversity protection - designing Local Nature Recovery Strategies, setting guidance for stakeholders, and monitoring processes and outcomes Dr Caroline Jessel, Chair, Kent Nature Partnership Sandy Luk, Chief Executive Officer, Marine Conservation Society Estelle Bailey, Chief Executive, Berkshire, Buckinghamshire & Oxfordshire Wildlife Trust Professor Helen Roy, Ecologist, UK Centre for Ecology & Hydrology and President, Royal Entomological Society Councillor Iain Taylor, Chair, Sustainability Committee, Aberdeenshire Council 12.10 Questions and comments from the floor 12.25 **Break**

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12.55 Chair's and Westminster Energy, Environment & Transport Forum closing remarks

Tony Juniper, Chair, Natural England Questions and comments from the floor

Barry Gardiner MP, Chair, APPG for Nature and former Minister for Biodiversity, Landscape and Rural Affairs **Jack Longman**, Senior Researcher, Westminster Energy, Environment & Transport Forum

Latest thinking on priorities and the longer term outlook for ecological restoration and biodiversity improvements