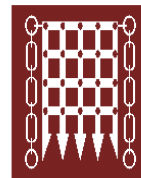


## Westminster Energy, Environment & Transport Forum policy conference:

### Next steps for protecting and managing England's natural capital

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- 8.30 Registration
- 9.00 **Chair's opening remarks**  
Senior Parliamentarian
- 9.05 **England's natural capital - latest evidence, government proposals and strategic priorities moving forward**  
Senior commentator  
Questions and comments from the floor
- 9.35 **Assessing developments in biodiversity and land use policy - key issues for the environment, planning and stakeholders**  
*implications of the proposed Nature Levy and proposals in the Planning and Infrastructure Bill / the Nature Restoration Fund and Environmental Delivery Plans / plans for embedding biodiversity goals in long-term land use planning and regulation / responding to concerns over reduced habitat protection and on-site assessments / aligning the Government's 30by30 commitment with ELM schemes and BNG frameworks / balancing competing demands from agriculture, development and conservation*  
**Joseph Gridley**, CEO, Soil Association Exchange  
**Bethany Turner**, Environment Policy Adviser, Country Land and Business Association  
**Cathryn Tracey**, Partner, Burges Salmon  
**Sam Bower**, Head of Sustainability - Natural Environment, Balfour Beatty  
Senior representative, local authority  
Questions and comments from the floor
- 10.35 **Chair's closing remarks**  
Senior Parliamentarian
- 10.40 Break
- 10.50 **Chair's opening remarks**  
**Barry Gardiner MP**
- 10.55 **Priorities for sustainable food systems and integrated resource management: Developing resilience and sustainable agricultural production**  
Senior representative, agriculture  
Questions and comments from the floor
- 11.20 **'Natural capital as critical infrastructure: putting natural capital at the heart of green growth'**  
**Jonathan Nichols**, Senior Associate Director, Natural Capital Approaches, Jacobs  
Questions and comments from the floor
- 11.40 **Priorities for coordinating and delivering habitat restoration**  
*progress and lessons from ongoing restoration projects / integrating natural regeneration in woodland and landscape strategies / practical steps for species protection and alignment of restoration with land use planning / driving inclusive participation in natural capital decisions / restoration targets / building public trust and addressing rural and urban disparities in nature recovery / enabling multi-stakeholder collaboration and funding mechanisms / funding opportunities to support natural capital initiatives / evaluating roles of private and public sectors / developing long-term economic and ecological sustainability*  
**Mattie Yeta**, Chief Sustainability Officer, CGI  
**Claire Wansbury**, Technical Director, Ecology, AtkinsRéalis  
**James Mckay**, Chair, Long Lands Common  
**Ludo Pittie**, Director and Head, Landscape, WSP  
Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.25 **Priorities for environmental monitoring and accountability moving forward**  
**Dame Glenys Stacey**, Chair, Office of Environmental Protection  
Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.55 **Chair's and Westminster Energy, Environment & Transport Forum closing remarks**  
**Barry Gardiner MP**  
**Sean Cudmore**, Westminster Energy, Environment & Transport Forum