

Local Action Group Workshop 2013

Programme

Field Studies Centre, Preston Montford, Shrewsbury
<http://www.field-studies-council.org/centres/prestonmontford.aspx>

29-30 January 2013

Day 1

11.30 Registration and refreshments

12.00 Lunch

12.50 Welcome (Niall Moore / Olaf Booy, Non-native Species Secretariat)

13.00 Policy background and plans in Europe (Trevor Salmon, Defra)

LOCAL ACTION GROUP QUICK-FIRE UPDATES

13.20 Short talks (5-10mins) – *Bollin Project* (Sally Davies), *Chelmer Canal Trust* (Neil Frost), *Water Primrose removal* (Alex Draper, Froglife)

WORKSHOP 1: BEYOND BALSAM - SHARING EXPERIENCE OF MANAGING OTHER SPECIES AND DEVELOPING ACTION PLANS

14.00 Introduction (Trevor Renals, Environment Agency)

14.20 Talks by Local Action Groups

- Catherine Chatters (New Forest Non-native Plants Project)
- Nicola Morris (SINNG)

14.50 Breakout Session

16.00 Break and refreshments

16.30 Summary of discussions

16.45 Questions and answers

17.00 Close

18.30 Evening Meal

Day 2

LOCAL ACTION GROUP QUICK-FIRE UPDATES

9:30 Short talks (5-10mins) – *SINNG (Nicola Morris), Controlling Himalayan balsam in Inverness-shire (John Parrott), Thames 21 (Vic Richardson)*

SHORT SESSIONS

10.00 Developments in apps and online recording

- Overview and developments in apps and online recording for LAGs (David Kilbey, Bristol University and Helen Roy, CEH / NNSIP)
- Source to Sea project (Sam Stork, Source to Sea)

10.30 Group discussion / training in the use of resources

11:00 Future funding

- Introduction (Simon Mackown, Defra)
- Examples of innovative funding (Mike Sutton-Croft, NNNI)

11.30 Group discussion / questions and answers

12.00 Lunch

LOCAL ACTION GROUP QUICK-FIRE UPDATES

13:00 Short talks (5-10mins) – *South Cumbria Rivers Trust (Jen Aldous), Eastleigh LAG (Rachel Hardy), Quaggy Waterways Action Group (Lawrence Beale Collins)*

WORKSHOP 2: PATHWAYS OF INTRODUCTION AND SPREAD

13.30 Introduction (Helen Roy, CEH / NNSIP)

13.45 Talks by Local Action Groups

- Will Burchnall (Broads Authority)
- Bekka Corrie-Close (Cumbria Rivers Trust)

14:10 Breakout session

15.10 Break and refreshments

15.40 Summary of discussions

15:55 Questions and answers

16.10 Close