

Crisis and Continuum in the Shaping of Landscapes



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Sheffield Hallam University
3-day conference: Thursday 31st March-Saturday 2nd April 2005

**South Yorkshire Biodiversity Research Group, Windgather Press, English Nature,
The Landscape Conservation Forum and Sheffield Hallam University**



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Provisional Programme

Thursday 31st March

09.15-10.00	Registration
10.00-10.10	Prof David Austin <i>Introduction and Welcome</i>
10.10-10.50	Prof Barry Cunliffe <i>Landscapes with people</i>
10.55-11.35	Prof Chris Smout <i>The Scottish Coasts – an archaeological landscape in crisis</i>
11.40-12.00	Coffee
12.05-12.45	Dr John Barnatt <i>Chatsworth: the transformation of a great estate landscape</i>
12.50-1.50	Lunch
1.50-2.30	Prof Ian Whyte <i>Parliamentary Enclosure & the Uplands of Northern England: a landscape in crisis?</i>
2.35-3.15	Prof Andrew Fleming <i>Perpetual crisis? The ‘struggle for existence’ on the edge of the Atlantic</i>
3.20-3.40	Tea
3.40-4.25	Dr Tom Williamson <i>Crisis, continuity and the natural frame: aspects of Anglo-Saxon settlement</i>
4.30-5.10	Prof Kevin Edwards <i>Crisis? Recovery? Management? Landscapes of contrast in Viking Age Iceland and the Faeroe Islands</i>
5.10-5.30	Discussion

Friday 1st April

09.00-09.40	Registration
09.40-09.50	Dr Paul Stamper <i>Introduction and Welcome</i>
09.50-10.30	Prof Robert Van der Noort <i>Crisis what crisis? Towards a ‘third way’ in landscape archaeology</i>
10.35-11.15	Dr George Peterken <i>Recent research on the landscape of the lower Wye Valley [tbc]</i>
11.20-11.40	Coffee
11.40-12.20	Dr Richard Tipping <i>Coping with climatic stresses: missing links between climate change, prehistoric farmers and the transmission of knowledge</i>
12.25-12.55	Glenn Foard <i>Battlefield Landscapes</i>
1.00-2.00	Lunch

2.05-2.45	Prof Paul Buckland <i>Insects and human impact on the Atlantic Islands</i>
2.50-3.30	Prof Rob Marrs <i>Plot to landscape on Moorlands, or vice versa</i>
3.35-3.55	Tea
3.55-4.25	Dr Nicki Whitehouse and Dr David Smith <i>Data on fossil beetles faunas – woodland history and evidence from the palaeo-environment [Final title to be announced]</i>
4.30-5.00	Jill Butler <i>Trees in the historic landscape</i>
5.00-5.15	Discussion
6.30-7.45	Buffet and wine reception
7.50-8.50	Keynote Lecture: Dr Frans Vera <i>Large ungulates – driving forces behind a non-linear succession</i>

Saturday 2nd April

A Discussion based around the ideas of Dr Frans Vera and recent research for English Nature:

Large Herbivores as drivers of past and future landscapes

Discussion chaired by Mark Felton

09.00-09.40	Registration
09.45-10.15	Dr Keith Kirby <i>Closed forest or savannah in the past – and does it matter?</i>
10.15-10.55	Prof Paul Buckland <i>Beetles from the bogs – a different perspective on past landscapes</i>
11.00-11.20	Coffee
11.25-11.55	Dr Kathy Hodder/Dr James Bullock <i>Naturalistic grazing in present and future landscapes</i>
12.00-12.30	GAP Project <i>Stock management in naturalistic grazing regimes</i>
12.35-1.00	Discussion chaired by Mark Felton
1.00-1.50	Lunch
1.55-2.15	A reply from Dr Frans Vera
2.20-2.55	Ted Green <i>Tree archaeology: what it can tell us?</i>
3.00-3.35	Prof Melvyn Jones <i>Ancient woodland destruction, survival and restoration: a South Yorkshire perspective</i>
3.40-3.55	Tea
3.55-4.35	Dr Ian Rotherham <i>Fuel and landscape – Exploitation, Environment, Crisis and Continuum</i>
4.40-5.00	Discussion and Close

This major Conference is to be held at Sheffield Hallam University, promoted jointly by the ***South Yorkshire Biodiversity Research Group, Windgather Press*** (publishers of the journal ***LANDSCAPES***), ***The Landscape Conservation Forum*** and ***English Nature***.

The conference will be emphatically interdisciplinary in nature. It addresses the impacts of crises – especially ecological crises – on the landscape, and how landscape as a continuum recovers from these events and indeed exists through and beyond them. Considering issues of landscape development and evolution, the meeting will focus on how crises transform landscapes and how the changes are absorbed into the environmental and cultural matrix.

This multi-disciplinary, international event will be of great relevance to ecologists, geographers, landscape historians and archaeologists, and all those with an interest in landscapes and environmental change. It will appeal to both professionals and amateurs, to practitioners and to those in education.

The event runs through Thursday, Friday and Saturday, with the Saturday programme designed to appeal to the amateur enthusiast audience and available as a one-day event. There are main lectures and discussion sessions, and on Friday night a wine and buffet reception followed by a major keynote presentation by Dr Frans Vera.

As a special theme and in collaboration with English Nature, the conference has time set aside for a special discussion based around the work of Dr Vera, and a presentation of the monitoring work commissioned by English Nature. This is themed as: ***Large herbivores as drivers of past and future landscapes?*** The ideas of Frans Vera have stimulated considerable debate about the nature of the former natural landscape of Britain and the potential for naturalistic grazing regimes as ways of managing landscapes for nature conservation. English Nature commissioned a review of research and ideas in this area during 2003-4.

The following presentations will present the findings and contribute to the debate.

Key Speakers:

Dr Frans Vera, Prof Chris Smout, Dr Keith Kirby, Prof Andrew Fleming, Prof Barry Cunliffe, Ted Green, Dr Tom Williamson, Dr Richard Tipping, Glenn Foard, Dr Ian Rotherham, Prof Mel Jones, Dr George Peterken, Prof Ian Whyte, Prof Rob Marrs, Prof Robert Van der Noort, Prof Paul Buckland, Dr John Barnatt, Dr Kathy Hodder, Dr James Bullock, Mark Felton, Prof Kevin Edwards, Dr Nicki Whitehouse, Jill Butler.

Publishers' Book Fair and sale throughout the event

Costs:

Fees include proceedings, delegate packs, morning and afternoon tea/coffee, and lunch.

Fees *per day*:

- 1. Business/Academic delegates = £105 (or a discount rate of £270 for all 3 days)**
- 2. Local Authority/Statutory Agency/NGO delegates = £85**
- 3. Self-employed workers = £45**
- 4. Students, volunteers and the public = £25**
- 5. Friday Evening Reception = £15**
- 6. Those presenting posters will register at the discount rate of £45 per day**

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Contacts:

Cancellation fees: Full fee payable if cancellation is within 2 weeks of the event; 50% payable if within 3 weeks; 25% payable if cancellation within 4 weeks; over 4 weeks – full fee will be refunded minus a small administration charge.

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We can provide information on locally available accommodation on request.

Posters and other displays, materials to hand out, advertising and inserts in delegate packs all welcomed by prior arrangement.

Further papers, posters, sponsorship or other support welcome!

Booking Form: 2005 Landscape Conference

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Please tick appropriate boxes to indicate when you will be attending

Thursday	Friday	Saturday		Total Fee
	Buffet & Wine Reception			
			Total Fee	

Fee enclosed: _____ or invoice number: _____

(Please fill in a separate booking form for each person attending)

Special requirements (details please): _____

Dietary requirements

(Non-vegetarian/Vegetarian/Vegan/Other): _____