

The East Midlands Biodiversity Forum 1st Annual Conference
Trent Bridge Cricket Ground, Nottingham
Tuesday 26th February 2008

Climate Change Adaptation and Biodiversity Conservation
- a sound investment for
the land management, built development and tourism sectors

Programme

9.45 – 10.15 Registration and Coffee

10.20 – 11.40 Introductory Presentations

Welcome [Charlotte Gault, Chair, East Midlands Biodiversity Forum]

Key-note speech (tbc)

Setting the Scene:

1) Climate change: impacts and implications for the natural environment
[Hilary Allison, Head of Policy, The Woodland Trust]

2) Climate change: impacts and implications for the economy and well-being
[Kevin Baillie, Head of Sustainable Economic Development, East Midlands Development Agency]

3) Strategic adaptation for biodiversity: what, how, how can it help?
[John Everitt, Head of Re-Building Biodiversity, The Royal Society of Wildlife Trusts]

4) Implications and opportunities for businesses: our experience
[Delia Shannon, Community Liaison Advisor, Aggregate Industries UK Ltd]

11.40 – 12.00 Coffee

12.00 - 1.00 Workshops

1.00 - 2.00 Lunch and 'Market-Place' of project and delegate stands.

2.00 - 3.00 Inspiring Examples from Within the Region + Discussion

1) The National Forest – adaptation before its time
[Sophie Churchill, Chief Executive, the National Forest Company]

2) Green Infrastructure – strategy and delivery, benefiting biodiversity and business
[Alison Hepworth, Environment Policy Advisor, East Midlands Regional Assembly and
Greg Philips, Programmes Manager, River Nene Regional Park]

3) The National Trust's approach to adaptation through management of land and visitors
[Rebecca Speight, Regional Director, The National Trust]

Questions and discussion

3.00-3.30 Plenary, workshop feedback and wrap-up