

Maximising Economic Benefit in Woodland

Wednesday 10th or Thursday 11th October 2012

Starting 9.30am at Faccombe Village Hall, Faccombe, Hampshire SP11 ODS

The North Wessex Downs Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty covers 1,730 sq km and is the largest AONB in southern England.

Some 23,300 hectares or just over 13% of the North Wessex Downs AONB is wooded. Over a third of this woodland is identified as ancient in origin and over 45% has either a national or local designation for its particular wildlife value. Perhaps most significantly, research has identified that only 44% of this woodland is under active management.

The AONB partnership is seeking to encourage a viable forestry sector that helps to deliver a wide range of public benefits. To this end, the AONB has engaged Hampshire & Isle of Wight Wildlife Trust to deliver a series of workshops and a conference to promote sustainable woodland management.

Using recognised experts from a range of backgrounds these workshops will help provide delegates with the confidence to make and implement the right management decisions for their particular woodlands. Site visits will provide ample opportunity for demonstration and discussion.

Who should attend?

- Woodland owners/ managers
- Private forestry contractors and employees
- Land agents
- Game managers
- Community groups currently managing woodlands
- Conservation professionals

Wednesday 10th is particularly suitable for those involved in management of larger or more commercial woodlands whilst Thursday 11th is suited to those managing smaller or more community led woodlands. Please feel free to get in touch if you would like to discuss which workshop may be most appropriate for your requirements.



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Wednesday 10th October

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09.30	Coffee and registration
9.45	Welcome and introduction to the day
10.00	Making money from your woodland – timber and woodfuel opportunities – William Hamer (Forestry Consultant and member of Hampshire Woodfuel Cooperative)
10.30	The right woodland in the right place – Alison Cross (HIWWT)
10.50	Woodland grants available for commercial forestry operations – Forestry Commission
11.10	Questions followed by break
11.35	Managing woodland for sporting interests - Peter Thompson (Game and Wildlife Conservation Trust)
12.05	Managing the impact of deer- Jamie Cordery (South East Deer Initiative)
12.35	Resources available through the My Forest website – Alistair Yeomans
12.50	Questions followed by lunch (provided)
2.00	Site visit to Blagden Copse – led by David Hunt from Wessex Woodland Management. The site visit will discuss aspects of commercial woodland management.
4.30	Close

Thursday 11th October

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09.30	Coffee and registration
9.45	Welcome and introduction to the day
10.05	Community involved woodland management case studies: Managing woodland with volunteers - Barry Bennett (Oakley woodlands group) Using woodland for formal and informal education - Richard Genn (Woodland owner and lecturer)
10.40	Forest Schools case study - Alison Cross (HIWWT)
11.00	Questions followed by break
11.30	The right woodland in the right place – Alison Cross (HIWWT)
11.50	Funding opportunities: Support for community groups and volunteers in the AONB - NWD Woodland Grants available to support this work – Forestry Commission
12.45	Questions followed by lunch (provided)
2.00	Site visit to Hurstbourne Common – led by Richard Genn. The site visit will look at cooperative and volunteer management of a woodland alongside the issues of climate change, recreation and overall woodland management.
4.30	Close

The Cartshed, Herriard Park, Basingstoke, or cut off and post this form to email amandai@hwt.org.uk Please book your place by Hampshire, RG25 2PL Hampshire and Isle of Wight Wildlife Trust, Amanda Ingham, Tel 01256 381186



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please tick here if you do not wish to receive further information from the North Wessex Downs AONB	Please tell us of any special dietary requirements	Hampshire & Isle of Wight Wildlife Trust.	I enclose a cheque for £8 per person per workshop made payable to:	Email

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Position Name

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Maximising Economic Benefit in Woodland Reply Form

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Faccombe Village Hall, Wednesday 10th

I would like to attend the workshop

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