

England's community forests

Conference 22nd March 2018

Birmingham Midland institute

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	Title	Speaker	
09:30	Registration and refreshments		
10:00	Introduction	Sir Harry Studholme Forestry Commission	Scene setting. Reflections on key issues, the purpose of the conference and the role of community forestry in the coming years.
10:10	Forest Headlines	Nick Webb - Marston Vale	What have CFS been up to in the past year?
10:30	Community Forestry in Scotland	Amanda Byrne – Commissioner, FC Scotland	The continued development of community forestry in Scotland, what can England's CFs learn, what can we share?
11:00	Northern Forest	Stephen Robinson - Heywood	Update on Northern Forest
11:30	Break		
11:50	A 25-year Plan for the Environment - what role for Community Forests?	DEFRA	How can CFs help to deliver the 25-year Plan?
12:10	Trees for Learning Programme	Malcolm Hackett – Greenwood Community Forest	Trees for Learning will see over 1000 schools involved in a programme to plant more than 160k trees
12:30	UFWAC - Urban Tree Canopy cover report	UFWAC	Launch of new document by UFWAC
12:50	Sustainable Funding for Community Forests	Iain Taylor, Chair Community Forest Trust	Over the past year DEFRA and Community Forests have been exploring innovative funding to secure the long term basis for the delivery of Community Forests and community forestry.
13:10	Lunch		
14:00	Workshop Led by Steve Connor		Social media, megaphone or conversation? Tips and strategies for social media, and where is it all heading?
15:50	Next steps: Sir Harry Studholme		
16:00	Close		