

# NAAONB Update

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### **Social Forestry in AONBs**

See [Social Forestry in AONBs](#) for the work done by the NAAONB's Cabinet Office funded CEPM project. For more information on this, and our final CEPM event, join our conference call on Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> March at 11.00am on <https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/205694269>. Or phone in on 20 3713 5010. Access Code: 205-694-269

See below for booking details for our social forestry workshop.

### **Review of designated landscapes in Wales**

Phase 1 of Welsh Government's review of designated landscapes in Wales is now complete and one of the recommendations of Phase One is that there should be three interlocking statutory purposes for both the AONBs and National Parks. See [Review of designated landscapes in Wales](#) The NAAONB will be meeting with Welsh Government on 25<sup>th</sup> March to discuss this further.

### **New CEO for Historic England announced**

Duncan Wilson has been appointed as the first Chief Executive of Historic England. Historic England will come into being on 1<sup>st</sup> April when the Commission licenses the operation of the National Heritage Collection to an independent charity, the English Heritage Trust. Historic England will remain a government service championing England's heritage and providing expert and constructive advice. See [Changes to English Heritage](#)

### **Forestry Commission Woodland Capital Grants 2015 now open for applications**

The scheme is to plant and manage new woodlands in England as part of the Government's new £900m Countryside Stewardship scheme. See [FC Capital Grants](#)

### **RPA publishes guide to Basic Payment Scheme 2015**

The handbook draws together and updates the information previously released in the CAP Reform leaflets. It covers who can claim; what farmers, landowners and growers need to know before they can claim; and what they need to grow and do on their land. There is also a chapter about applying online. See [RPA Guide](#)

### **Ecosystem Approach in Marine Planning - MMO report published**

The Marine Management Organisation (MMO) has published research undertaken by the UK environmental economics consultancy, eftec and marine consultancy ABPmer into how the MMO can improve the implementation of the ecosystem approach in marine planning. See [MMO Report](#)

### **Workshop on ecosystem approach**

Defra and National Parks England (NPE) are hosting a workshop on the ecosystem approach in London on 15<sup>th</sup> April. This will share the learning and experience in applying the ecosystem approach, to an intended audience of local place-based delivery staff and managers as well as to national staff supporting them. To book a place contact Dan Hunt on 07711 285872 or [events.bowfell@gmail.com](mailto:events.bowfell@gmail.com)

### **Dates for your diary**

- **Social Forestry Workshop - Sharing learning and looking ahead to the future of woodland-based social action** Date 23<sup>rd</sup> April Location: Wyre Forest Discovery Centre. See [Social Forestry Workshop](#)
- **Landscapes for Life Conference 2015** Date: 30<sup>th</sup> June -2<sup>nd</sup> July 2015 Location: Winchester

NB If you would like to book and pay for a place for either of the above events in this financial year please contact [Jill.Smith@landscapesforlife.org.uk](mailto:Jill.Smith@landscapesforlife.org.uk) or 07969 888823