

# Natural England Board



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Title: **Chair's Engagements**

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## **1 Purpose**

1.1. The purpose of this paper is to apprise the Board of the stakeholder engagements conducted by Chair in the period between the November 2009 and February 2010 Board meetings and the appointments scheduled before the May Board meeting.

## **2 Recommendations**

2.1. It is recommended that the Board notes the stakeholder engagements conducted by Chair in this period.

## **3 Issues**

### **3.1. Stakeholder engagements by Chair**

Stakeholder engagements undertaken by Chair since the November 2009 Board meeting and scheduled engagements prior to the May 2010 Board meeting are shown at Annex 1.

## Annex 1

### Engagements attended – 26 November 2009 to 24 February 2010

#### Chair - Poul Christensen

<b>November</b>	
30	Royal Assent Celebration – Marine and Coastal Access
<b>December</b>	
1	Stakeholder Aviation Meeting, London (with Helen Phillips)
1	Meeting with VisitEngland (with Helen Phillips)
1	Expert Group Dinner (with Helen Phillips)
2	Stakeholder Nature of Food Event, London (with Helen Phillips)
2/3	Natural England Stakeholder Reception and Briefing Session, London (with Helen Phillips)
3	Royal Commission for Environmental Pollution Dinner, London
8	Marine Protected Areas (MPA) Sea Change Conference, London (with Helen Phillips)
9	English National Parks Authority Association (ENPAA) All Party Parliamentary Reception – 60 Years of National Parks, London
9	Chairs' Group Dinner
10	Landscape Photographer of the Year Awards, London
14	Meeting with Prince of Wales – protection of Red Squirrels
<b>January</b>	
4	Oxford Farming Conference – EA & NE Forum, Oxford
11	Stakeholder Moorlands Owners meeting, Sheffield
12	British Marine Federation Lunch, International Boat Show, London
13	Meeting with East of England Development Agency (EEDA), London (with Helen Phillips)
13	Meeting with Julia Goldsworthy MP, (Lib Dem Shadow Secretary for Communities and Local Government), London
14	Meeting with David Kidney (Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State, Department of Energy and Climate Change) with Helen Phillips, London
14	Photo shoot for Farmers Weekly Awards
19	Living Seas Vision Launch, London
21	Berks, Bucks & Oxon NFU AGM, Eynsham, Oxfordshire
27	Meeting with Norman Baker MP (Lib Dem Shadow Secretary), with Helen Phillips, London
27	Joint Housing Communities Association (HCA)/Natural England Board Reception, London (with Helen Phillips)
28	Hugh van Cutsem and Director of SongBird Survival, Hilborough, Norfolk
<b>February</b>	
3	Prospect Conference, Sheffield
4	Marine Stakeholder Meeting (with Helen Phillips), London
4	Chairs and CEO's Meeting with Ramblers Association (with Helen Phillips) London
9	Uplands Launch, Blaze Farm, near Macclesfield
9/10	Sentry Conference 2010, Norfolk
10	Earthwatch Lecture, Oxford
11	Shropshire Chamber of Agriculture, Shrewsbury

11	Harper Adams Forum Society, Shropshire
16	Commission for Rural Communities/Natural England Chairs & Chief Executives' Meeting, London (with Helen Phillips)
16	Howard Dalton Lecture "Science Advice and Policy Making"
18	Visit to New Forest NP
18	UK Youth Centenary Ambassadors Event, London
22	Secretary of State Performance mid-year review, London (with Helen Phillips)
22	RAC Leadership Course
23/24	Natural England Board Meeting

## Forward Look of Engagements 25 February to 26 May 2010

### Chair - Poul Christensen

<b>March</b>	
1	Meeting with Benet Northcote (Deputy Private Secretary to HRH The Prince of Wales and The Duchess of Cornwall)
3	Expert Group Dinner, London (with Helen Phillips)
9	Visit to Poul Christensen's Farm by Jim Fitzpatrick MP (Minister of State for Food, Farming and Environment)
10	Visit to Poul Christensen's Farm by Nick Herbert MP (Shadow Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs)
10	Meeting with Chair and Vice Chair of National Association of Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty (NAAONB)
16	Meeting with Tim Farron MP (Lib Dem Shadow Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs)
16	FACE Strategy Group Meeting
25	JNCC Board Meeting
31	Natural England Board Site visit
<b>April</b>	
27	Joint Chairs Dinner with Environment Agency, Forestry Commission and Commission for Rural Communities
<b>May</b>	
11	Site visit with English Heritage
18	Launch of MoorLIFE project, Peak District National Park
19	Visit to Swaledale