

Natural England Board



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Title: **Stakeholder 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 and Deputy Chair in the period between the June and September Board meetings and the appointments scheduled before the November Board meeting.

2. Recommendations

- 2.1. It is recommended that the Board note the stakeholder engagements conducted by Chair and Deputy Chair.

3. Issues

3.1. Stakeholder engagement by Chair and Deputy Chair

Stakeholder engagements undertaken by Chair and Deputy Chair since the June Board meeting and scheduled engagements up to the November Board meeting are shown at Annex 1.

Annex 1

Engagements attended – 26 June 2008 to 17 September 2008

Sir Martin Doughty, Chair

July	
1 st	Lord Adair Turner, Climate Change Commission, London
1 st	Farming and Countryside Education (FACE) Strategy Group Meeting, London
3-4 th	Royal Show, Stoneleigh
4 th	Natural England Stakeholder Reception at the Royal Show, Stoneleigh
4 th	Year of Food and Farming Legacy Reception, Royal Show, Stoneleigh
21 st	Hilary Benn's Keynote Speech on the Natural Environment, London
23 rd	Hilary Benn and Phil Woolas, Ministerial Performance Review, London (With Helen Phillips)
24 th	Ben Bradshaw, Natural England 'Walk More Feel the Difference' Event, Tavistock (with Michael Depledge)
30 th	Royal Botanical Gardens Visit, Wakehurst Place (with Helen Phillips)
August	
6 th	Yorkshire Dales visit with Hilary Benn
18 th	Meeting with Christopher Pennell, Chair of Natural England's Audit Committee, Sheffield
September	
2 nd	Meeting with John Armit, Chairman of the Olympic Delivery Authority, London
2 nd	Royal Society for the Protection of Birds (RSPB) – Graham Wynne, (CEO), Ian Newton (Chair) - London (with Helen Phillips)
3 rd	Sport England Meeting, London (with Helen Phillips)
3 rd	Country Land and Business Association Meeting, London (with Helen Phillips)
6 th	Butterfly Conservation Trust – 40 th Anniversary Open Day in Lulworth, Dorset
9 th	Joint ministerial briefing on PR09 for Phil Woolas with Ofwat and Environment Agency, London (with Helen Phillips)
11 th	Marine Conservation Society 25 th Anniversary Reception, London
12 th	Ramblers Association Conference, Castleton
16-17 th	Natural England Board Meeting, Lake District

Poul Christensen, Deputy Chair

July	
3 rd – 4 th	Royal Show, Stoneleigh
4 th	Natural England Stakeholder Reception at the Royal Show, Stoneleigh
4 th	Hilary Benn Reception, Royal Show, Stoneleigh
7 th	Hindhead Together Partnership Meeting, Haselmere
9 th	Green Alliance Reception, London
15 th – 16 th	CAP Health Check Meeting, Brussels (with MEPS)
16 th	Expert Group Dinner – Farmers Club, London

September	
5 th	The Bayer Crop Science / Farming and Countryside Education Awards 2008, London
10 th	Audit Committee Meeting, Sheffield
15 th	Liberal Democrat Party Conference
16-17 th	Natural England Board Meeting, Lake District

Forward Look of Engagements before the next Board meeting, 4-5 November 2008

Sir Martin Doughty, Chair

September	
17 th	ANPA Conference, Lake District
20 th – 23 rd	Labour Party Conference, Manchester
22 nd	Brian Gray, North West Regional Development Agency, Manchester
30 th	Dame Liz Forgan (Heritage Lottery Fund) – Leaving Reception, London
October	
3 rd	Mineral Valley Project Celebration, Leeds (with Helen Phillips)
15 th	Big Lottery Fund, London (with Helen Phillips)
15 th	Heritage Lottery Fund with Carole Souter, Jenny Abramsky and Helen Phillips, London
21 st	Caroline Flint, Communities and Local Government, London
November	
4 th – 5 th	Natural England Board Meeting, Sheffield

Poul Christensen, Deputy Chair

September	
19 th	PSP Southampton Boat Show Lunch
25 th	Joint Nature Conservation Committee, Peterborough
25 th	RSPB Reception, Society of Wildlife Artists Exhibition, London
29 th	Conservative Party Conference (with Helen Phillips), Birmingham
October	
8 th	The Agricultural Forum
8 th	Sustainable Farming & Food Delivery Group, Year of Food & Farming Final Event with Sir Don Curry, London
9 th	Ministerial launch of England's Trees, Woods and Forests Delivery Plan, London
9 th	Near the Bone Dinner, Game & Wildlife Conservation Trust, London
21 st	Museum of English Rural Life (MERL), 3 rd Annual Lecture, University of Reading
November	
3 rd	Hindhead Together Partnership Meeting, Haselmere
4 th – 5 th	Natural England Board Meeting, Sheffield