

## PROGRAMME

### The River Restoration Centre 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Network Conference 2009 University of Nottingham

#### Day 1: Wednesday 1st April 2009

9.00 – 10.20

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REGISTRATION & TEA/COFFEE

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#### Lecture Theatre 3

10.30	<b>Announcements:</b> Martin Janes ( <i>River Restoration Centre</i> )	5 mins
10.35	<b>Introduction:</b> Karen Fisher ( <i>River Restoration Centre Chairman</i> )	20 mins
10.55	<b>Keynote Speaker:</b> Alastair Driver ( <i>Environment Agency</i> ). River Restoration – Quo Vadis?	25 mins
11.20	<b>Discussion</b>	10 mins

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#### Lecture Theatre 3

#### Session 1

#### Policy and Project Frameworks

#### CHAIR

**Alastair Driver** (*Environment Agency*)

11.30	Jonathan Gibson ( <i>Environment Agency</i> ). Progress toward provision of new or amended powers to deliver the hydromorphology requirements of the Water Framework Directive.	20 mins
11.50	Richard Sharp & Wendy Brooks ( <i>Environment Agency</i> ). Greater working with natural processes to reduce flood risk.	20 mins
12.10	Colin Thorne ( <i>Nottingham University</i> ). Science base and tools for evaluating stream restoration project proposals.	20 mins
12.30	<b>Discussion</b>	20 mins
12.50	<b>LUNCH</b>	1 hr 10 mins

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<b>Session 2</b>	<b>Hydromorphology</b>	<b>Social and Community Benefits</b>	
	Lecture Theatre 3	Lecture Theatre 2	
<b>CHAIR</b>	<b>Geraldene Wharton</b> ( <i>Queen Mary, University of London</i> )	<b>Malcolm Newson</b> ( <i>Tyne Rivers Trust</i> )	
14.00	Lucy Bolton ( <i>Environment Agency</i> ). River restoration measures to reduce hydromorphological pressures and achieve good ecological potential for the Water Framework Directive.	Alison Holt ( <i>Sheffield University</i> ). The importance of social networks for urban river regeneration.	15 mins
14.15	Jean-René Malavoi ( <i>Office National de l'Eau et des Milieux Aquatiques</i> ). Restoring river hydromorphology: concepts and examples in France	Martin Gilchrist ( <i>Living River</i> ). Restoring an urban river in Salisbury with volunteers: contributing to community cohesion.	15 mins
14.30	Nick Haycock ( <i>Haycocks Associates</i> ). Renaturalisation of Lingmell Beck, Wastwater: a case study of gravel river restoration.	Hester Kapur ( <i>OnTrent</i> ). Trent Vale Landscape Partnership - engaging communities with river restoration.	15 mins
14.45	<b>Discussion</b>	<b>Discussion</b>	20 mins
<b>Session 3</b>	<b>POSTERS &amp; TEA/COFFEE</b>		
15.05			45 mins

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**Day 2: Thursday 2nd April 2009**

8.30 – 8.50	<b>REGISTRATION FOR DAY DELEGATES</b>	
<b>Lecture Theatre 3</b>		
9.00	<b>Announcements</b>	5 mins
9.05	<b>Keynote Speaker:</b> Chris Spray ( <i>SEPA</i> ). From Darlington to the Dales, Skerne to the sea. Origins and objectives – where next for river restoration?	25 mins
9.30	<b>Discussion</b>	10 mins
<b>Session 6 Living with Rivers and Floodplains</b>		
<b>Lecture Theatre 3</b>		
<b>CHAIR</b>	<b>Chris Spray</b> ( <i>Director of Environmental Science, SEPA</i> )	
9.40	John Joyce ( <i>IPA Energy + Water Economics</i> ). What are the trade-offs when aiming for a quantitative balance in the River Rother?	15 mins
9.55	Paul Chapman & Alison Taylor ( <i>Lewisham Council</i> ). Can river restoration benefit social cohesion? A case study.	15 mins
10.10	Ruth Needham ( <i>OnTrent</i> ). Making space for water in the Trent River basin – a collaborative approach.	15 mins
10.25	<b>Discussion</b>	15 mins
10.40	<b>TEA &amp; COFFEE</b>	30 mins
(10.40)	<b>Optional pre-booked site visit – Day Brook, Nottingham</b> A small-scale urban river restoration project	(1 hr 50)

Day 2 - PARALLEL SESSION PROGRAMME

Session 7	A Question of Scale	New Tools for Restoration	STREAM – Practical approaches to restoration, and integrating management of the river and floodplain	
	Lecture Theatre 3	Lecture Theatre 2	Room C33	
CHAIR	Kevin Skinner ( <i>Jacobs UK Ltd</i> )	Archie Ruggles-Brise ( <i>Association of Rivers Trusts</i> )	Jenny Mant (RRC)	
11:10	Ildikó Tóth ( <i>North-Transdanubian District Environment and Water Directorate</i> ). Mosoni-Danube rehabilitation project.	David Higgins ( <i>Durham University</i> ). Using advances in modelling techniques to explore catchments with a view to identifying locations in need of restoration.	Allan Frake ( <i>Environment Agency</i> ). Here's one we tried earlier: a practical guide to implementing restoration on lowland rivers (25 minutes).	
11.25	Ulrika Aberg ( <i>Leeds University</i> ). Past, present and future approaches to river rehabilitation in Japan.	David Hetherington ( <i>Arup</i> ). Utilisation of terrestrial laser scanner data to rapidly map instream habitat.	Joanna Eyquem ( <i>Royal Haskoning</i> ). Linking river and floodplain management – a step-by-step guide to developing operating protocols for water level control structures (25 minutes).	
11.40	Pete Worrall ( <i>Penny Anderson Associates</i> ). Minimal impact restoration – is it worth all the effort?	Tony Green ( <i>JB4</i> ). Reconnecting Paleo Channels – no problem? Recent experiences and solutions.	Panel Discussion (10 minutes)	
11.55	<b>Discussion</b>	<b>Discussion</b>		20 mins
12.15		<b>Interval</b>		15 mins
12.30		<b>LUNCH</b>		1 hour

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<b>Session 8</b>	<b>'In'vertebrate Communities</b>	<b>Restoration Potential</b>	
	<b>Lecture Theatre 2</b>	<b>Lecture Theatre 3</b>	
<b>CHAIR</b>	<b>Jenny Wheeldon</b> ( <i>Natural England</i> )	<b>Judy England</b> ( <i>Environment Agency</i> )	
13:30	Ros Kaye ( <i>Environment Agency</i> ). Day Brook Water Meadow Project: small-scale urban river restoration of the Day Brook, Nottingham.	David Bradley ( <i>APEM Ltd</i> ). Establishing the real Bourne identity – a twin track approach to assessing habitat diversity and identifying appropriate river restoration needs.	15 mins
13.45	Richard Hellier ( <i>Environment Agency</i> ). Dagenham Washlands: innovative approaches to floodplain restoration and integration with the wider physical and social landscape.	Ilse Steyl ( <i>Arup</i> ). Potential for restoration on the Hermitage Stream, Hampshire.	15 mins
14.00	Vicky Kindemba ( <i>Buglife</i> ). Using river restoration to re-establish invertebrate communities.	Di Hammond ( <i>River Restoration Centre</i> ). Upper Gade restoration Options Appraisal.	15 mins
14.15	<b>Discussion</b>	<b>Discussion</b>	15 mins

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**Session 9**

**Where next?**

**Lecture Theatre 3**

**CHAIR**

**Colin Thorne** (*University of Nottingham*)

14.35 Kevin Skinner (*Jacobs UK Ltd*) *et al.* 15 years of experience – what have we learnt and how has practice changed? 15 mins

14.50 Dave Webb (*Environment Agency*) & Rob Oates (*Thames Rivers Restoration Trust*),  
The London Rivers Action Plan. 15 mins

15.05 Will Bond (*Alaska*). River restoration - entering a phase of boom and bust? 15 mins

15.20 **Discussion and closing remarks** 25 mins

**\*\*\*\*\* End of Conference \*\*\*\*\***

15.45 **TEA & COFFEE** **\*\*[please hand in feedback forms and badges]\*\*** 30 mins

16.15

**Site Visit Introductions**

Only applicable to delegates staying for site visits on the third day

30 mins

16.45

**End of Day 2 and evening arrangements**