

3RD National Riverfly Conference

YOUR RIVERS – THEIR FUTURE

Flett Theatre, The Natural History Museum, London

Thursday 10 March 2011

09:30-10:00 Registration and refreshments Foyer, Flett Theatre

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LECTURE PROGRAMME

10:00 **Welcome** Director, Natural History Museum

Outline & Chair for key note speakers Riverfly Partnership Chairman

10:10 –10.35 Keynote speaker

Chairman of the Environment Agency, Rt. Hon. Lord Smith of Finsbury

ANGLERS' MONITORING INITIATIVE

Chair – Callum Sinclair, Director, Rivers and Fisheries Trust Scotland

10:40 **Where is the Wandle now?** Team, what we do, strong monitoring presence, diesel spill, STW's
Will Tall Wandle Piscators AMI Group

11:00 **Making the polluter pay** SE Wales prosecutions, link with FishLegal, challenges
Frances Atwood / Dai Roberts SE Wales AMI Group

11:20 **Setting up the AMI** Challenges, engagement, catchment perspective, linkages
Rivers Trust

11:40 **Where does the volunteer come from?** Turning around the River Don, riverflies and recording
Stuart Crofts

11:55 **AMI catchment level & environmental policy** - AMI & EA data, WFD, climate change
Steve Ormerod University of Wales, Cardiff

12:15 **The future of our rivers** – EU Water Framework Directive, collaborations, goals, role of the AMI

12:35 – 13.45 Lunch

CONSERVATION AND MANAGEMENT

Chair – Dr Mike Dobson, Director, Freshwater Biological Association

13.45 **Short wildlife film clip around 'Our rivers – their future' filmed by Hugh Miles**

13.55 **Riverflies – an overview**
Professor Alan Hildrew Queen Mary University of London

14.15 **Conserving riverfly diversity** RP Species and Habitat Group

14.35 **Bringing new life to our rivers** River Restoration Centre

14.55 **PANEL DISCUSSION The future of our rivers – are they in peril? What is being done? What can be done?**
The panel will include all speakers plus RP Lead and will answer questions from delegates

Chair – Steve Brooks, Riverfly Partnership / Natural History Museum

16:10 **Summing up and concluding remarks** Riverfly Partnership Chairperson

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