

GB Non-native Species Media and Communications Working Group

Meeting 2, 3rd June 2008

11.00, Room 406, Eastbury House, Albert Embankment, London

Minutes

1. Attendance and apologies

Present: Angela Robinson – Scottish Government (Chair)
Niall Moore – NNSS (Secretary)
Chris Chiverrell - CIRIA
Julie Clarke - EA
Keith Davenport – OATA
David Gilchrist – HTA
Mike Heylin – FACT
Clare Miller - Wildlife and Countryside Link
Robin Payne – SNH
Angela Taylor - Defra
Mark Tollitt – Defra
Andrew Walker – Defra
Ruth Waters – NE

Apologies: Lara Clements – Defra (Marketing)
Jim Collins – PCT
Suzanne Cooper – Scottish Environment Link
Jo Long - SEPA
Meinir Wigley – CCW (Replaced by Jo Hughes)
Jo Hughes - CCW
Paul Walton – Wildlife and Countryside Link (replaced by Clare Millar)

2. Minutes of March meeting

The group agreed that the minutes were a fair representation of the March meeting. The minutes were therefore signed off.

3. Actions and matters arising

KD raised a point of information – that May 22, 2009 is to be an International Biodiversity Day and this could be used to raise awareness of non-native species issues. DG mentioned the upcoming Horticulture Nursery Stock Conference in January 2009 as another potential opportunity.

NM circulated his draft key definitions (of native, non-native and invasive species) for feedback. KD enquired about the results of the EU IAS Strategy questionnaire consultation.

ACTION 1 – [Deferred Action 5] - All to feed ideas for potential tools to NM to collate and pass on to MT.

ACTION 2 – NM to circulate electronically the draft list of key definitions.

ACTION 3 – All to comment back to NM on draft list of key definitions.

ACTION 4 – [Deferred Action 7] - MT to take forward drafting the Strategy document for circulation to the group for discussion at the next meeting.

4. Stakeholder mapping

Paper circulated – MC June08-04

AW introduced the concept of Stakeholder Mapping and the group was divided into two sub-groups to carry out the process on different sets of stakeholders.

ACTION 5 – NM to collate the results of the stakeholder mapping exercise and circulate to the group for comment.

5. AOB

There were no items raised under AOB.

6. Date and location of next meeting

NM to circulate potential dates in late July and September.