

REPORT OF ADMINISTRATION & DEMOCRATIC SERVICES MANAGER

SUBJECT: CORPORATE EVENTS

During the course of a year, the National Park Authority is invited to attend various corporate events. Attendance at external events is an important part of Members' duties and, whilst it is acknowledged that other calls are made on their time, it is expected that Members will attend a number of these during their term of office with the Authority.

Set out below are those events to which Members have been invited to date this year:

1. RTPI Wales Planning Conference 2015 – 20th May 2015, City Hall, Cardiff 'Planning for a Changing World' (*Chair/Deputy Chair of Development Management Committee*)
2. WLGA Annual Conference, 18th June 2015, Brangwyn Hall, Swansea (*up to 5 places, including officers*)
3. Members' National Induction Course hosted by the Pembrokeshire Coast National Park Authority in Tenby on the 22nd – 24th September 2015 (*usually new Members, or those who have not yet had the opportunity to attend an Induction Course*);
4. UK Association of National Parks Conference, 14th – 16th October 2015, Bovey Castle, Dartmoor – details attached (*4 Members*)
6. Europarc Conference, 26th – 27th October 2015 "Protected Areas in a Changing World"; Regensburg, Germany
7. National Parks Wales Annual Members' Seminar which will take place on 2nd and 3rd November 2015 hosted by Pembrokeshire Coast National Park Authority in St Davids (*all Members*)

RECOMMENDATION:

That Members determine and authorise the level of representation at the above-mentioned corporate events.

Background papers:

Respective fliers for the events concerned

(For further information, please contact Janet Evans, Administration & Democratic Services Manager on extension 4834, or by e-mailing janete@pembrokeshirecoast.org.uk)

National Parks Conference 14-16 October 2015

Save the date, this is the conference you will not want to miss!

- Top presenters including:
 - HRH The Prince of Wales
 - Sir Jonathan Porritt - former Chairman of UK Sustainable Development Commission and Director of Forum for the Future
 - Dame Fiona Reynolds - former Director General of the Natural Trust now Cambridge University
- The 'great debate'
- Field trips from time travelling to Grand Designs, or cooking up a treat with great local produce

All in the stunning Dartmoor National Park and the prestigious [Bovey Castle](#) who have kindly sponsored the conference.

Brief outline of the programme

14 October

- Morning delegates arrive
- Lunch
- Afternoon conference with keynote speaker
- Conference dinner

15 October

- All day study visits on Dartmoor
- Conference gala dinner with after dinner speaker

16 October

- Morning conference with keynote speaker
- Question Time – 'The role of National Parks'
- Lunch
- Delegates depart

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