

Scotland
1 - 3 October 2019

Natural Climate Buffers Tour

Programme



Accommodation

The Golden Lion Hotel 8-10 King St Stirling FK8 1DQ	Holiday Inn Edinburgh 132 Corstorphine Road, Edinburgh EH12 6UA
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Please note that accommodation for the night of the 30th September is the participant's own responsibility

Natural Climate Buffers study tour DAY 1

1st October 2019

9am to 9.45 Welcome, teas and coffees, and introduction to the study tour.

9.45 to 11.15 Travel to St Andrews

11.15– 12.45 Dynamic Coast - Tour of demonstration site showing management of coastal change in salt marsh and dune habitat.

12.45 – 13.45 Lunch at St Andrews

13.45 - Depart St Andrews

15.15 - Flanders Moss National Nature Reserve. Guided tour of Flanders Moss - the largest raised bog in the UK - which has experienced a lot of historic damage, and the conservation work that has taken place to improve access, restore water levels, expand the bog and more.

16:45 – Depart Flanders Moss

17.15 – Skinflats – tour and description of managed coastal realignment to provide sustainable inter-tidal habitat on an the Inner Forth Special Protection Area.

17:45 Depart Skinflats

18:00 Check-in to Golden Lion Hotel, Stirling

19:00 Dinner and presentation about EcoCo “Habitat Restoration and creation to improve ecological coherence”.

Natural Climate Buffers study tour DAY 2

2nd October 2019

09:00 Depart by bus for Green Infrastructure, Glasgow

09:45 Arrival at Greater Easterhouse Green Infrastructure project which is creating wetlands and other habitats on derelict sites to connect with 7 Lochs Wetland Park, improve urban environment and reduce flood risk.

10:45 Depart Easterhouse

11:00 Arrive at Canal and North Gateway Glasgow. This project uses the canal to provide a dynamic surface water solution as well as restoring an adjacent derelict site into a Local Nature Reserve.

12.30 – 13.30 Lunch at the Whisky Bond

13.30 Depart Glasgow

14.00 – Arrive at a restoration site (tbc) to discuss freshwater restoration within landscape. Visit to Waukenwee Moss unable to take place due to last minute postponement of restoration works.

15:15 Depart site

16:00 Arrive at Blawhorn Moss National Nature Reserve – to contrast with Waukenwae Moss, where restoration work has just started, Blawhorn Moss shows complete and successful peatland restoration of a similar bog.

17:00 Depart Blawhorn Moss

17:30 Arrive and check-in to Holiday Inn Edinburgh Zoo

19:00 Dinner

Natural Climate Buffers study tour DAY 3

Thursday 3rd October

Concluding Workshop

09:30 – 09:45 Opening and welcome, Iain Sime, SNH and Anita Prosser, Eurosite General Secretary

09:45 – 10:00 Eurosite Wetlands and Climate Change Working Group and Natural Climate Buffers, Kristijan Civic, Eurosite

10:00 – 10:15 Natural Climate Buffers in Scotland – Iain Sime

10:15 – 10:25 Natural Climate Buffers - project concept, Henk Zingstra, WCC WG

10:25 – 10:40 Coffee and tea break

10:40 – 11:40 Lessons learnt in the last 2 days and the way forward - facilitated session, Kristijan Civic, Eurosite

11:40 – 11:50 Final remarks

11:50 – Lunch and close @ 12.15

