



Natural Environment Group

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26th April 2023

AGENDA

09.15 am Pre-meeting networking (voluntary)

09.30 am. Welcome and introductions

1. **Actions Arising from the Last Meeting 02/11/22**– Karen McHugh, Solent Forum (5 minutes)
2. **Update on NEG actions from SEMS (Paper 1)** – Karen McHugh, SF (20 minutes)
3. **Update on Biosecurity Planning in the Solent** – Karen McHugh, SF (15 minutes)
4. **Assessing the potential impact of the non-native Asian date mussel in the UK using inter-species comparisons of feeding rate**– Kate Dey (NEG funded Project) (15 minutes)

Discussion Asian Date Mussel and implications for Biosecurity Planning in the Solent – All (5 minutes)

5. **Salt marsh passive regrowth promotion: Lands' End, Old Bursledon** - AQASS Pre-recording (NEG Funded Project) (15 minutes)

11.00 am. Comfort Break (10 mins)

6. **5 Year Review of Bird aware Solent Discussion (Paper 2)** – Karen McHugh, SF and Mary Andrew, NE (10 minutes)
7. **Watersports for Life** – Julie Sims, Bird Aware (10 minutes)
8. **Impact of Paddlesports in Chichester Harbour** – Peter Hughes, CHC (15 minutes)
9. **Finance (Paper 3)** – Karen McHugh, SF (10 minutes)
10. AOB

12.00 pm. Close

The group will next meet on 1st November 2023