

Cumbria Wildlife Recorders' Conference

Lecture Theatre
Tullie House Museum and Art Gallery, Carlisle
22nd October 2011 10:00 am - 4:30 pm

Free. Booking essential as places are limited.
Contact Tullie House box office for tickets 01228 618700

This free event is open to anyone interested in Cumbrian Wildlife. It coincides with the official launch of the Cumbria Biodiversity Data Centre and the opening of a new temporary exhibition on wildlife recording in Cumbria at Tullie House Museum, *In Search of Nature*.



A varied range of talks to highlight different areas of wildlife study, recording and conservation projects in the county and how the information is used to inform conservation and planning decisions. Posters and contributions to the "open mike" session welcomed, please contact nature@tulliehouse.co.uk.

Programme

Session chair: Stephen Hewitt, Keeper of Natural Sciences at Tullie House Museum

10:00	10:15	Richard Spiers <i>Tullie House Trustee</i>	Welcome and official launch of CBDC
10:15	10:50	Geoffrey Halliday <i>Flora Group</i>	Botanical Recording in Cumbria
10:50	11:25	Keith Porter <i>Marsh Fritillary Action Group</i>	Reintroduction of the Marsh Fritillary butterfly in Cumbria
11:25	12:00	David Blackledge <i>RSPB</i>	Recording wildlife for site monitoring and management
12:00	13:00	LUNCH <i>Available from Museum restaurant or nearby outlets</i>	Posters and In Search Of Nature Exhibition

Session chair: Ian Slater, Chair of Cumbria Biodiversity Data Centre Advisory Panel

13:00	13:25	Sam Griffin <i>Cumbria Amphibians & Reptiles Group</i>	Setting up a recording group
13:25	13:40	Keith Porter <i>Natural England</i>	Biological recording - a national perspective from Natural England
13:40	14:00	Teresa Frost <i>Cumbria Biodiversity Data Centre</i>	Introducing CBDC - Your Local Records Centre
14:00	14:15	<i>Speaker tbc</i> <i>CBE Development Group</i>	Communicating with planners: Cumbria Biodiversity Evidence Base
14:15	14:30	Discussion	The potential role of a Cumbria Recorders' forum
14:30	14:50	COFFEE	Posters

Session chair: David Clarke, Chair of Cumbria Naturalists' Union

14:50	15:25	Chloe Bellamy <i>University of Leeds</i>	Bats in the Lake District
15:25	16:00	Stephen Westerberg <i>Cumbria Bird Club</i>	Bird Atlas: Preliminary results
16:00	16:20	... Open Mike ...	Wildlife in Cumbria: latest updates from recorders; notification of upcoming surveys
16:20	16:30	Teresa Frost	<i>Round-up and Finish</i>