

**CCRI Policy Conference 2009:
Rural Policy and Local Assets**

Wednesday 21st October 2009

Queens Hotel, Cheltenham

Programme for the day

09.30 – 10.00 Registration and coffee

10.00 – 10.15 Welcome by Sir Don Curry

10.15 – 11.15 Localism in the 21st Century

(Chair: Paul Courtney, CCRI)

10.15 – 10.45 *Local food and the emerging food security agenda*

Damian Maye and James Kirwan, CCRI

10.45 – 11.15 *The Agri-Environment: farm and landscape-scale challenges*

Chris Short and Julie Ingram, CCRI

11.15 – 11.45 Coffee

11.45 – 13.00 Rural Assets: What's the interest?

(Chair: Paul Courtney, CCRI)

11.45 – 12.00 *Why are rural assets important?*

Malcolm Moseley, CCRI

12.00 – 12.30 *Socioeconomic impacts of environmental and heritage assets*

Pete Gaskell and Jane Mills, CCRI

- 12.30 – 13.00 *Older people as rural social capital*
Nigel Curry and Rhiannon Fisher, CCRI
- 13.00 – 14.00 Lunch
- 14.00 – 15.00 Rural Policy: the road ahead**
(Chair: Nigel Curry, CCRI)
- 14.00 – 14.30 *The future of rural policy in England*
Graham Garbutt
- 14.30 – 15.00 *Future directions: the European and international dimension*
Janet Dwyer, CCRI
- 15.00 – 15.30 Tea
- 15.30 – 16.30 Key note reflections and conclusions**
(Chairs: Nigel Curry and Matt Reed, CCRI)
- 15.30 – 16.00 *Contributions from key note listeners including:*
Chris Gaskell, RAC
Ian Baker, Defra
- 16.00 – 16.30 Discussion and concluding remarks
- 16.30 Depart