

Investing to Green Greater Manchester Greater Manchester Natural Capital Group Annual Conference

Wednesday 30th January 2019

9.30 to 16.30 (registration from 9.00)

[Museum of Science and Industry, Liverpool Rd, Manchester M3 4FP](#)

About

With the first Natural Capital Investment Plan being developed for Greater Manchester, this conference will explore how we can promote investment in opportunities that protect and enhance Greater Manchester's natural capital to support a healthy population and economy.

Objectives

The purpose of the conference is to clarify and understand:

- Why invest in natural capital and what is being done to support this?
- What do organisations look for when investing in natural capital?
- What are the most promising financing opportunities for Greater Manchester?
- How can these be delivered and who needs to be involved?

There will be plenty of opportunity for discussion including facilitated seminars.

Speakers and contributors confirmed include:

- Anne Selby, CEO, The Wildlife Trust for Lancashire, Manchester and North Lancashire
- Emma Howard Boyd, Chair, Environment Agency
- Louise Wilson, Co-founder and Managing Director, Abundance Investment
- Ian Dickie, Director, Eftec
- Dan Hird, Head of Corporate Finance, Triodos Bank
- Jamie Mansfield, Co-founder and Director, Environmental Finance
- David Hill, Chairman and co-founder, The Environment Bank
- Louise Martland, Conservation Director, The Environment Bank
- Chris Matthews, Head of Sustainability, United Utilities
- James Airton, Natural Course Strategy Development Manager, United Utilities
- Tom Curtis, Partner, 3Keel

Who should attend?

Please note that this event is free to attend and is aimed at professionals working in the environment, finance and public policy including investors, policymakers, land owners and managers, environmentalists and business executives.

Booking

Click here to find out more about the event and to book a place:

<https://naturalcapitalgroupconference2019.eventbrite.co.uk>

More information

Click on the link below to find out more information about the Greater Manchester Natural Capital Investment Plan:

<https://naturegreatermanchester.co.uk/project/greater-manchester-natural-capital-investment-plan/>

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9.00	Registration
9.30	Welcome by the Chair Anne Selby, Chair, GM Natural Capital Group & CEO, The Wildlife Trust for Lancashire, Manchester and North Merseyside
9.40	Why invest in natural capital and resilience and what is being done to support this? Emma Howard Boyd, Chair, Environment Agency
10.00	What do organisations look for when investing in natural capital? Louise Wilson, Co-founder and Managing Director, Abundance Investment
10.20	GM Natural Capital Investment Plan overview – what is it and what does it cover? Ian Dickie, Director, Eftec
10.40	Questions and discussion session
11.10	Refreshments and networking
11.30	GM Natural Capital Investment Plan programme based seminars (A) Investment Readiness Fund (B) Place-based Model (C) Habitat/Carbon Banking Model (D) Sustainable Drainage System Model
12.30	Lunch and networking
13.15	Welcome back by the Chair Anne Selby, Chair, GM Natural Capital Group & CEO, The Wildlife Trust for Lancashire, Manchester and North Merseyside
13.20	Setting up and delivering a carbon trading fund Speaker TBC
13.40	Learning from the Social Investment Market Dan Hird, Head of Corporate Finance, Triodos Bank
14.00	GM Natural Capital Investment Plan programme based seminars (A) Investment Readiness Fund (B) Place-based Model (C) Habitat/Carbon Banking Model (D) Sustainable Drainage System Model
15.00	Refreshments and networking
15.20	Feedback from seminars and panel discussion including Q&A
16.00	What's next and what does this mean for business? Chris Matthews, Vice Chair GM Natural Capital Group & Head of Sustainability, United Utilities
16.20	Wrap up and closing remarks
16.30	Close