

Natural Environment Policy and Planning Forum

Agenda for Tuesday 10 September at 1015 for 1030

Centre for Mathematical Sciences, Wilberforce Road, Cambridge CB3 0WA

1 Actions from previous meeting on 25 June

2 Vision

The vision was formerly launched on 29 July: <https://naturalcambridgeshire.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2019/07/Doubling-Nature-LR.pdf>

We agreed to collect information about projects that we have under way or in mind.

3 CamOx Arc

Laura Church (Luton Borough Council) to report on the work of the environment group she leads (with Bridget Smith).

Each area has been asked to collectively identify their top 3-5 landscape-scale projects that they wish to highlight for a possible funding request. These have been identified by our LNP:

- John Clare Country & the Nene valley

- Great Fen to Ouse Washes connected fenlands

- Ouse Washes to Wicken Vision floodplains, rivers and connected wetlands

- Ouse Valley wildlife corridor

4 Natural capital investment plan

Notes of meetings on 22 July and 2 September

We have agreed with Rebecca Moberly, the EA lead on the Arc, that close collaboration will benefit both sides and are exploring also collaboration with Anglian Water's work on Natural Capital East.

5 City and South Cambs joint local plan

Attached is an excerpt from a proposed Design & Construction SPD.

The City Council has declared a biodiversity emergency

The river system

Stephen Tomkins to report

6 Trees working group

Proposal to Defra

7 Fens Biosphere

Mark Nokkert to report

8 AOB

Date of next meeting: Tuesday 17 December at 1015 for 1030