

Natural England Board



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Title: **Stakeholder Engagements**

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1. Purpose

- 1.1. The purpose of this paper is to apprise the Board of the stakeholder engagements conducted by Chair and Deputy Chair in the period between the November and December Board meetings and the appointments scheduled before the February Board meeting.

2. Recommendations

- 2.1. It is recommended that the Board notes the stakeholder engagements conducted by Chair and Deputy Chair in this period.

3. Issues

3.1. Stakeholder engagements by Chair and Deputy Chair

Stakeholder engagements undertaken by Chair and Deputy Chair since the November Board meeting and scheduled engagements prior to the February Board meeting are shown at Annex 1.

- 3.2. It is intended that future stakeholder engagements papers to the Board will report against the delivery of our advocacy priorities.

Annex 1

Engagements attended – 4th November – 10th December

Sir Martin Doughty, Chair

November	
4 th /5 th	Natural England Board Meeting, Sheffield
11 th	Natural England Staff Conference, Birmingham
11 th	Derbyshire Environmental Trust Event
12 th	Meeting with Huw Irranca-Davies (Minister for the Natural and Marine Environment, Wildlife & Rural Affairs) with Helen Phillips
12 th	Natural England Marine Parliamentary Reception
19 th	Natural England Future of Farming Awards, Ragley Hall, Warwickshire, with Poul Christensen
December	
2 nd	Professor Robert Winston, London (with Helen Phillips)
3 rd	FACE Strategy Group
3 rd	Dinner with Lord Smith, Chair, Environment Agency
4 th	Joint Natural England/Regional Development Agencies Workshop, London
4 th	Meeting with Huw Irranca-Davies (Minister for the Natural and Marine Environment, Wildlife & Rural Affairs) with Helen Phillips
9 th -10 th	Natural England Board Meeting, London

Poul Christensen, Deputy Chair

November	
4 th /5 th	Natural England Board Meeting, Sheffield
10 th	Edith Gayton Memorial Lecture, Reading University (Peter Kendall)
11 th	Natural England Staff Conference, Birmingham
12 th	Natural England Marine Parliamentary Reception
19 th	Natural England Future of Farming Awards, Ragley Hall, Warwickshire, with Sir Martin Doughty
20 th	Centre for Management in Agriculture - lecture
25 th	The Farmers' Club, Baroness Byford
27 th	Best Practice for Audit Committee Conference
December	
1 st	Defra Network Chairs Conference, London (attending in place of Martin Doughty)
3 rd	Natural England Audit Committee Meeting
4 th	Joint Natural England/Regional Development Agencies Workshop, London
9 th – 10 th	Natural England Board Meeting, London
10 th	NFU Centenary Reception

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Martin Doughty

January	
13 th	Meeting with Hugh Oliver-Bellasis (Royal Agricultural Society of England) with Helen Phillips, London
13 th	Sir Don Curry with Helen Phillips, London
13 th	Heritage Lottery Fund - Carole Souter and Jenny Abramsky, with Helen Phillips, London
13 th	Big Lottery Fund - Sir Clive Booth and Peter Wanless, with Helen Phillips, London
14 th	Chairs' Group meeting and Dinner (Environment Agency, Natural England, Forestry Commission, Commission for Rural Communities), London
20 th	Meeting with Jane Kennedy (Minister for Farming and the Environment), with Helen Phillips, London
20 th	Meeting with Lord Hunt (Minister for Sustainable Development and Energy Innovation), with Helen Phillips, London
February	
10 th - 11 th	Natural England Board Meeting

Poul Christensen

January	
13 th	London International Boat Show
22 nd	Cumbria Society
23 rd	Mendip Agricultural Discussion Club
February	
4 th	Annual Delegates Conference of the Prospect Defra Branch, Sheffield
10 th - 11 th	Natural England Board Meeting