



UPDATING EVENTS 2018

The Amenity Forum is the voluntary initiative for the sector promoting best practice in all aspects of weed, pest and disease control. This series of free Updating Events seeks to address topical issues of interest and relevance to all involved in the amenity sector and will comprise short presentations by speakers drawn from the Chemicals Regulation Division of HSE, BASIS Registration, the National Sprayer Testing Service, STRI, our various hosts and from the Amenity Forum itself. They are kindly hosted by a member organisation and timed to occupy half a day, normally mornings. They are located across the UK.

If you are interested in attending and to ensure you are kept informed, please email admin@amenityforum.net

Standard Programme

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| 1000 | Assemble for coffee/ tea and networking |
| 1015 | Welcome and Introduction |
| 1020 | Policy Update: <i>What is the National Action Plan? How is it impacting upon the sector? What are the challenges and opportunities?</i> |
| 1040 | Effective and efficient use of chemicals for weed, pest and disease control: <i>Pesticide use is under the spotlight and their use controlled. This emphasises even more the need for efficient and timely application. What are the key elements in ensuring your sprayer equipment is set correctly for optimum use? What are the routine checks essential and the legal requirements for sprayer testing</i> |
| 1100 | Operating at best practice standards and training needs: <i>What are Amenity Assured standards and why and how should we apply them? What are the benefits of continuous professional development and why is our attitude to training so important going forward?</i> |
| 1120 | A review of current issues impacting on our sector in terms of weed, pest & disease management: <i>This session will focus on current issues and update on how the sector needs to respond. Integrated control is key in going forward. How do we do this and what alternatives to chemical control are available to us? How do we better communicate the importance of what we do?</i> |
| 1140 | Break |
| 1200 | Question Time session |
| 1220 | Presentation by host organisation |
| 1300 | Conclude |



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(Red – date to be confirmed)

Belfast	8th February 2018	hosted by CAFFRE
Peterborough	15th February 2018	hosted by NAAC
Wales	20 th February 2018	hosted by CWC
Stoneleigh	6 th March 2018	hosted by Lantra
Pontefract	1 st March 2018	hosted by Weedfree
London	14th March 2018	hosted by London Parks Forum
York	20 th March 2018	hosted by BIGGA/ IOG
Reading	21 st March 2018	hosted by Bayer
Essex	22 nd March 2018	hosted by Rigby Taylor and Headland Amenity
Northamptonshire	27 th March 2018	hosted by BIGGA/ IOG
South East	29 th March 2018	hosted by BIGGA/ IOG
Edinburgh	10 th April 2018	hosted by SAC & Scottish Government
Darlington	11 th April 2018	hosted by CWC

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Full details of location and other instructions will be provided on registration

