



**“How will Policy
impact our
sector”**

Updating Events 2023 Programme



Introduction

We have delayed this year's updating events with a view to including the outcomes and recommendation of the "National Action Plan" NAP. As yet, we do not have a release date for the NAP, however as time is getting on we want to make sure members and those interested in our sector reserve the date.

A very common comment we get from members is they are concerned at the lack of enforcement regarding Plant Protection Products used to manage weeds, pests and diseases. Several new initiatives have been introduced over the past few years, introduction of the OCR regulations, Employment by HSE of a team of Pesticide Enforcement Officers. The later roll will be presented at the updating events.

We are also keen to understand what members want from the Forum and how we can help you or your organisation continue to improve going forward. So will be holding a facilitated session to capture your views. Each Event has a separate sponsor who will be putting on their own presentation prior to lunch along with a session after lunch to look a facilities or cover additional topics; details will be confirmed nearer the events.

Event Date and Locations

<p>25 April 2023</p>	<p>Complete Weed Control Celtic Manor, Coldra Wood, The Usk Valley, Chepstow Rd, Newport, NP18 1HQ</p>	
<p>10 May 2023</p>	<p>SASA Roddinglaw Road Edinburgh EH12 9FJ</p>	
<p>17 May 2023</p>	<p>Origin Amenity Solutions Throws Farm, Essex, CM6 3AQ</p>	
<p>31 May 2023</p>	<p>ICL Radley College, Kennington Road, Radley Abingdon, OX14 2HR</p>	
<p>7 June 2023</p>	<p>College of Agriculture Food & Rural Enterprise (CAFRE) Greenmount Campus, 45 Tirgracy Rd, Antrim, BT41 4PS</p>	
<p>13 June 2023</p>	<p>Online Event via Zoom</p>	

Programme example (this may vary depending on venue)

09.30 Arrival - Coffee

10.00 Welcome and Introduction

10.10 Policy Update

This will be presented by DEFRA or Local government equivalent including the review of the 2023 National Action Plan (if available).

10.50 Responding to Policy Update

This will be presented by Peter Corbett Executive Officer of Amenity Forum what our sector has to do to comply with policy changes will include response to current policy landscape, and the work of the Water Catchment Partnerships

10.55 Role of Pesticide Enforcement Officers

This will be presented by a representative of HSE to explain this new post that has been created to ensure sustainable and safe use of PPP's.

11.20 Break

11.25 Facilitated Group Sessions

11.55 Feedback/ Question & Answer Session

12.15 AF Concluding Remarks

12.20 Sponsors Session varies depending on venue

Updating Event Headline Sponsor



As in previous years, the Updating Events headline sponsor is WeedFree. The headline sponsorship enables the Amenity Forum to travel around the UK to provide these events free of charge.

Each of the individual events has a "local" sponsor to either provide or help to provide the venue and refreshments on the day. Our thanks go out to all sponsors for their help and support.

Booking

To book a place at one of the events, please complete the booking form below and return to admin@amenityforum.net