



SLAPTON LEY

FIELD CENTRE & NATIONAL NATURE RESERVE

ANNUAL RESEARCH SEMINAR SATURDAY 26TH NOVEMBER 2016

Venue: Slapton Village Hall
Chair: Professor Tim Burt, Durham University

To register please call 01548-580685 or email reserve.sl@field-studies-council.org

- 09.00 *Arrival and coffee*
09.30 *Welcome and introduction - Andrew Pratt, Head of Centre*

Session 1: Local Wildlife

- 09:45 *Bats on our doorstep: update on the Devon Greater Horseshoe Bat Project*
Helen Parr, Devon Wildlife Trust
- 10.05 *Finding Home: Bumblebee Navigation in the South Hams*
Raluca Herascu, University of Exeter
- 10:25 *Slapton's Badgers revisited: a historical perspective.*
David Dixon,
- 10:50 QUESTIONS
- 11.05 *Tea and Coffee*

Session 2: A Changing Coastline

- 11:30 *Re-interpretation of the 'Lost Village of Hallsands' involving natural processes*
Gerd Masselink, Plymouth University
- 11.50 *Slapton Line and Torcross Update*
Alan Denbigh, Slapton Line Partnership
- 12:10 QUESTIONS
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- 12:20 *Wider FSC Provision and Higher Education Research Opportunities*
Mark Ward, Field Studies Council
- 12:30 *Lunch*

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Session 3: Humans and Nature on the Coast

- 13:35 *Torbay Seagrass Initiative*
Rachel Cole, National Marine Aquarium
- 13:55 *Humans versus herring gulls in the fight for food*
Bel Deering, RSPCA, West Hatch
- 14:15 *The Human Dimension of Marine Litter*
Kayleigh Wyles, University of Surrey
- 14:35 **QUESTIONS**
- 14:50 *Tea and Coffee*

Session 4: Slapton Ley Catchment

- 15:10 *Cracking good catchment: investigations into the subsurface of the Slapton Wood catchment*
Nick Chapell, Lancaster University
- 15:30 *Slapton Ley Observations*
Tom Hutchinson, Plymouth University
- 15:50 **QUESTIONS**

- 16:00 *Close*

Minibus to the train station will depart from the field centre car park at 16:30

Many thanks for attending – Please stay in touch

