



ISLAND
ENVIRONMENTAL
CONFERENCE 2018
Our greener future

26 JUNE 2018 • 9.30AM TO 4.30PM (Registration from 9am) • COWES YACHT HAVEN, COWES, ISLE OF WIGHT
Securing a low-carbon, resource-efficient and environmentally-sensitive future for the Island

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The Island Environmental Conference will bring together experts and enthusiasts to consider the Isle of Wight's environmental future.

We are asking participants to consider how the Island can secure a low carbon, resource efficient and environmentally sensitive future. The best suggestions will shape a new Environmental Action Plan which the council will develop during 2018.

The conference is an opportunity to hear about good practice on the Island and to be inspired by local businesses which are contributing to green growth, but mainly it is an opportunity for you to consider and contribute to our direction of travel.

The conference will take place within the context of:

- the development of the Isle of Wight Council's corporate plan;
- The development of the Island's Regeneration Programme, which aims to create jobs and new housing while providing a sustainable income for council services;
- a review of the Island Plan Core Strategy, the Island's main strategic planning document;
- an update of the AONB Management Plan.

Working groups will discuss our future energy system, tourism, promoting the biosphere, electric vehicles and low carbon fuels, water supplies, farming and rural enterprise, circular economy, local food, green growth and regeneration and the environment.

The conference will also include:

- Biosphere commitment
- Launch of the Green Impact Programme for Island businesses
- Poster presentations from the Island's secondary schools – 'Our Future Island'.

KEYNOTE SPEAKERS:

Ben Ainslie (tbc)
Video address

Prof. Matthew Cragoe
Chair, UK Man and
Biodiversity Committee

Cllr Dave Stewart
Leader, Isle of Wight Council

Reniera O'Donnell
Deputy Director of Regeneration,
Isle of Wight Council

Prof. AbuBakr Bahaj
University of Southampton

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