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CONFERENCE PROGRAMME

09:00 - 09:30 | Registration and Refreshments

09:30 - 09:40 | Introduction

Graeme Kennett, REA Organics Chair & Mabbett & Associates

09:40 - 11:00 | Session 1: Navigating policy and regulations

SESSION CHAIR - Graeme Kennett, Organics Chair & Mabbett & Associates

- Presentation 1: 'Regulatory Update from the Environment Agency', Sean McKay, Environmental Agency
- Presentation 2: 'Collection guidance and charging for garden waste collections', TBC, WRAP

PANEL DISCUSSION: Simpler Recycling reforms

- Grant Keenan, Keenan Recycling
- Anna Firth, WRM Ltd
- [Bio Collectors Ltd speaker invited]

11:00 - 11:30 - Refreshments and Networking

11:30 - 12:50 | Session 2: Organic Waste Recycling from Bins to Site

SESSION CHAIR - Sean Fells, WRM Ltd

- Presentation 1: 'Applying a behaviour change approach to encourage sustainable waste behaviours', Dr Nicola Buckland, Sheffield University
- Presentation 2: 'Digital waste tracking reforms' [Environment Agency speaker invited]
- Presentation 3: 'Accounting for compost and digestate under the GHG protocol', Megan Muller-Girard, REAL Research Hub

12:50 - 14:00 - Lunch

14:00 - 15:00 | Session 3: Capturing the Benefits of Circular Bioresources

SESSION CHAIR - Dr Becky Wheeler, Future Biogas Ltd

- Presentation 1: 'Organics role in regenerative agriculture', Doug Wanstall, Bank Farm
- Presentation 2: 'Managing nutrient neutrality requirements', Anna Becvar, Earthcare Technical

15:00 - 15:20 | Keynote Address

Baroness (Sue) Haymen of Ullock, House of Lords

15:20 - 15:50 - Refreshments and Networking

15:50 - 16:50 | Session 4: Innovation in the Sector

SESSION CHAIR - Jenny Grant, REA

- Presentation 1: 'Biochar's role in mitigating climate change', Dominique Helaine, SUEZ INTERNATIONAL (virtual)
- Presentation 2: 'Biodegradable packaging as a potent source of biogas following thermal hydrolysis pre-treatment', Dr Andrew Walsh, Jones Celtic BioEnergy)
- Presentation 3: 'Enriching the earth – replacing peat', Trewin Restorick, Enrich the Earth, Sizzle

16:50 - 17:00 | Closing Remarks

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GUEST SPEAKERS



Jenny Grant
Head of Organics and Natural Capital,
REA



Baroness (Sue) Hayman of Ullock
Shadow Spokesperson for Defra (Department
for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs), House
of Lords



Graeme Kennett
REA Organics Chair & Principal
Environmental Consultant, Mabbett &
Associates



Doug Wanstall
Farmer, Bank Farm



Anna Becvar
Director, Earthcare Technical Ltd



Dr Andrew Walsh
Technical Director, Jones Celtic BioEnergy



Trewin Restorick
Founder, Sizzle Innovation



Megan Muller-Girard
Research Hub Manager, Renewable
Energy Assurance Ltd



Dr Nicola Buckland
Senior Lecturer in Psychology,
Sheffield University



Grant Keenan
Managing Director, Keenan Recycling



Sean McKay
Sludge Strategy Implementation Manager,
Environmental Agency



Dr Becky Wheeler
Business Development Director,
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