

UK BLACK POPLAR CONSERVATION GROUP



NATIONAL CONFERENCE Friday 25th November 2005 The Civic Centre, Aylesbury, Bucks

Dear Black Poplar Enthusiast

Black Poplar Conservation Group Meeting. 25th of November 2005

At our last conference we were informed about the frightening new disease that had all but wiped out the large Manchester Population of Native Black Poplar. Work has been continuing on the disease and we are delighted to welcome David Rose from Forest Research to give us an update on the situation and to provide a greater understanding of Poplar scab. There will also be talks on Black Poplar conservation in Wales from David Thomas of the Environment Agency and on Safe Pollarding practices by David Lonsdale who is helping on the new BS 3998, has just worked on the tree pruning and wounds section and is about to edit the Good Practice Guide to tree management.

The conference will also provide an opportunity to discuss issues concerning Black Poplar conservation and to catch up with other projects and initiatives throughout the country, some of which you may be able to contribute to. Many of you will have been working on literature over the year and we would be delighted to see examples of anything you have produced. Here at Aylesbury Vale Green Spaces Team we have two new leaflets which we will be bringing to the conference for delegates to see.

The conference will be held at Aylesbury Civic Center, Aylesbury, Bucks which has good rail links for those wanting to travel by public transport. Please leave time for parking because a number of delegates experienced problems with parking last year. Directions to the Civic Center are available from the website; <http://www.aylesburyciviccentre.co.uk/Pages/location.html> Please contact me if you experience any problems accessing this information.

The meeting will cost £10 to cover lunch, refreshments and hall hire. Booking is essential as places are limited. To book please return the attached form by 15th of October to Matt Dodds, Green Spaces Team (Biodiversity), Rabans Lane, Aylesbury, Bucks, HP19 8RU. If you have any questions please phone on 01296 427972 and please pass on this invitation to any other people you may feel would be interested in attending.

Alan Holmes
Chairman of Black Poplar Conservation Group Meeting

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Itinerary

10 – 10.30am	Arrive, Tea and Coffee
10.30 – 10.45am	Introductions – Alan Holmes
10.45 -11.25am	Poplar Scab – David Rose (Forest Research)
11.25 – 11.45am	Questions and refreshments
11.45 – 12.25am	Black Polar Conservation in Wales - David Thorpe (Environment Agency)
12.25 – 12.45am	Questions
12.45 – 1.30pm	Lunch
1.30 – 2.10pm	Safe Pollarding Practices – David Lonsdale
2.10 – 2.30pm	Questions
2.30 – 3pm	Discussion
3pm	Close

The UK Black Poplar Conservation Group and Annual Conference is hosted by Aylesbury Vale Green Spaces Team, Haydon Mill, Rabans Lane, Aylesbury, Bucks, HP19 8RU.
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Dietary requirements

Fee enclosed

Number of bookings

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