

Spring Conference: Agenda

10:00 – 16:00hrs, Thursday 27 June 2019
One Drummond Gate, London, SW1V 2QQ

10:00	Welcome & setting the scene	Neil Gibson ADEPT President 2018/19
	Policy session 1: Communities & Infrastructure This first session is about effective local partnerships and leadership to deliver good, clean and inclusive growth. Good quality and sustainable homes and jobs depend on the integrated and strategic planning and delivery of infrastructure, including digital, green/blue infrastructure and waste management. New developments must deliver environmental net gain. This is vital to local growth and to supporting healthy communities and individuals. How can ADEPT deliver on this agenda?	
10:15	Speaker 1	Stuart Hayward-Higham Technical Development Director, SUEZ Recycling and Recovery UK
10:30	Speaker 2	Tony Armstrong Chief Executive, Locality
10:45	Discussion	
11:15	COFFEE BREAK	
	Policy session 2: Place based funding post Brexit The second policy session will focus on funding in a post-Brexit world. How do we shape the detail of the UK Shared Prosperity Fund; alternative farm and land management payments; and adequate resourcing of councils to ensure that funding is flexible and integrated, managed locally to deliver bespoke local strategies?	
11:45	Speaker 1	Ben Pledger Deputy Director, Cities & Local Growth Unit
12:00	Speaker 2	Simon Edwards Director, County Council Network
12:15	Discussion	
12:45	LUNCH	
	Policy session 3: Climate change & environment Greta Thunberg, Extinction Rebellion - their actions highlight the need for urgent action on climate change and the environment. Councils have a key role in developing local strategies to promote resilience and adaptation to climate change. They also have key roles in delivering the ambitions set out in the 25 Year Environment Plan including wildlife, healthy soils and air, flood and water management, accessibility and mental / physical wellbeing. How do we catalyse action?	

13:45	Speaker 1	Mel Hughes Change and Reform Director, Natural England
14:00	Speaker 2	Mya-Rose Craig, environmental activist and Helena Craig, Chair, Black2Nature
14:15	Discussion	
14:45	COFFEE BREAK	
15:15	Discussion and next steps	Phil Swann
15:55	Summary	
16:00	Close	
16:15	Annual General Meeting	