

SLE Flagship Annual Conference 2023 - “Rural Land: Delivering for Scotland”

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9.00 – 10.00 Breakfast reception and exhibition

Registration, informal networking breakfast and exhibition

10.00-10.05 - Introduction

Claire Taylor, Conference Chair

10.05-10.10

Welcome Address

Mark Tennant, Chairman of Scottish Land & Estates

10.10 – 11.10

Where we are on the land reform journey?

Speakers:

1. Robert Scott-Dempster, Partner, Head of Land & Rural Business, Gillespie Macandrew – **‘The legal landscape in relation to Land Reform’**
2. Sarah Madden, Policy Adviser (Rural Communities), Scottish Land & Estates – **‘Practical Implications of Land Reform’**
3. Shona Glenn, Wellbeing Economy Leader, BIGGAR Economics Ltd **“Rural Estates: Delivery Partners for a Wellbeing Economy”?**
4. Nick Halfhide, Director of Nature & Climate Change, NatureScot - **‘Increasing the natural value of your land – tackling the twin crises of climate and nature’**
5. Crawford Mackay, Partner, Galbraith
Climate and nature - their influence on land values and estate planning”

11.10-11.30 Refreshments, networking and exhibition

11.30-12.00 -Keynote Address and Q&A – Change to Agenda

Due to recent structural changes within the Scottish Government, Mairi McAllan MSP will no longer be joining us. We are however delighted to be joined by two additional speakers, following a pre-recorded message from the Cabinet Secretary for Rural Affairs, Land Reform & Islands, Mairi Gougeon MSP. George Burgess, Director of Agriculture & Rural Economy and Hamish Trench, Chief Executive, Scottish Land Commission will make some introductory remarks before taking questions from the floor.

12.00-12.30 - Stephen Young, Head of Policy, Scottish Land & Estates

Scotland's Land Reform Challenge

12.30-13.30 Lunch, networking and exhibition

13.30-14.30 People, Jobs & Nature (4 Case Studies)

Case study presentations and panel Q&A Lessons from the ground

Always one of the most popular features of our conference, member case studies help to share best practice, highlight innovative ideas and how overcome problems. Linking to the benefits of scale.

Case Studies:-

- Communities: Working with community groups – James Palmer, Development Director, Penicuik Estate
- Economy: Creating economic opportunities – Andrew Bruce Wootton, CEO of Atholl Estates
- Education: Lianne MacLennan, National Campaigns Manager, Scotland's Regional Moorland Groups, Estates that Educate
- Environmental: Changing land use and Practice – Jason Baggaley, Lead Manager, abrdn Property Income Trust Limited

14.30-15.00 - Keynote Address and Q&A

Representing UK Government and Reserved Policy Making

Lord Offord of Garvel, Parliamentary Under Secretary of State for Scotland

15.00-15.20 Refreshments, networking and exhibition

15.20-16.05 - Panel Debate - Are we doing enough?

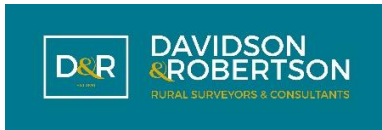
Panellists:

- Dr Kirsten EH Jenkins, Lecturer in Energy, Environment and Society
- Ian Davidson OBE MRICS ARAgS, Independent Advisor, Scottish Land Matching Service
- Ailsa Raeburn, Chair, Community Land Scotland
- Dee Ward, Rottal Estate
- Claire Acheson, Partner, Galbraith

16.05-16.15 Concluding Remarks

Sarah-Jane Laing, Chief Executive, Scottish Land & Estates

16.15-17.00 Networking drinks reception sponsored by Davidson & Robertson



17.00 Close