



North East Members' Event

7 November 2019

Venue: Dufftown Golf Club, Tomintoul Road, Dufftown, Banffshire, AB55 4BS

We face an unprecedented level of uncertainty; from Brexit to the climate emergency, and from the shape of post-CAP agricultural and environmental policy to the reform of agricultural subsidies. Significant changes are on the horizon which will bring opportunities and threats for land-based businesses. How do we prepare and position ourselves – how do we future-proof our businesses?

The **programme** for the afternoon:

14:00-14:30	Registration with teas/coffee on arrival
14:30-14:40	Regional activity and future plans: David Fyffe, North East Regional Chairman
14:40-15:10	Glenrinnes Estate and Distillery • Introduction to Glenrinnes Estate and the philosophy that has driven the development of the estate to date (Alister Laing and Alex Christou) • Glenrinnes Distillery and Eight Lands (Alex Christou, Co-Founder) • The future - developments in land management and opportunities for diversification (Alister Laing, Estate Manager)
15:10-15:40	Bringing the guided tour of the distillery to you
15:40-15:50	Building a resilient business: Matthew Havers, Strutt & Parker
15:50-16:05	Comfort break
16:05-16:15	SLE organisational update; David Johnstone, SLE Chairman
16:15-17:00	SLE panel discussion; 'Risks and Opportunities for our sector' • David Johnstone (SLE Chairman) • Sarah-Jane Laing (Executive Director) • Mark Tennant (Vice-Chair, Policy) • Stephen Young (SLE Head of Policy) • David Fyffe (North East Regional Chairman)- Panel Chair
17:00-18:00	Networking, drinks and canapes

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