



Agenda
for the
Bracken Control meeting
to be held at
Aldby Park, Buttercrambe, YORK YO41 1XU
on
Wednesday 23rd September 2015
10:30 – 15:00

	<u>Lead</u>
1 Welcome & Introduction	BCG
2 Asulam	
2.1 Emergency Authorisation for 2016	BCG
2.2 Chemicals Regulation Directorate view	CRD
2.3 Update on Asulam registration	UPL
2.4 Sale of Asulam in 2016	UPL
3 Aerial Application of Asulam	
3.1 Feedback on the 2015 season	Aerial Contractors
3.2 Plans for the 2016 season	UPL
3.2.1 Northern Ireland / Republic of Ireland	
3.3 Other aerial application issues	
4 Alternative to Asulam	
4.1 Summary of trials, and recommendations	Roy Brown
4.2 Bracken Proving Trials	Roderick Robinson
5 Other Bracken Management Options	
5.1 Recent cutting demonstration events	George Winn-Darley
5.2 Brackenburn Ltd.	BCG
6 Secondary treatment of Bracken	UPL
6.1 Consideration of options	
6.2 Availability of engineering solutions	
6.3 Use of alternative chemicals	
7 Integrated approach to bracken control	BCG
7.1 Other groups	
7.2 Communications	
8 Minutes of the Meeting held on 16 September 2014, and matters arising	BCG
9 Any other business	
10 Date of Next Meeting	

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Notes

1 **Lunch.** A light lunch will be provided.

2 **Attendance**

Representatives	Pick up
George Winn-Darley, Moorland Association (North Yorkshire)	
Dafydd Jarrett, NFU Cymru (Gwynedd)	y
Gerald Babcock (Cornwall)	
Ian Innes, PDG (Inverness)	
Andrew McGillivray	y
Mike Davies, MD Air Services (Shropshire)	y
Stuart Ring, Heli-Lift services (Oxfordshire)	
Colin Palmer, Confor	y
Graeme Campbell, CAFRE, DARD NI (Antrim)	TBC
Mark Ballingall, SRUC (Perthshire)	y
Prof Roy Brown, International Bracken Group (North Yorks)	
Roderick Robinson, Landward Consultancy (North Yorks)	
Duncan Bogie, CRD	y
Grant Stark, CRD	y
Richard Allen, UPL	
Chris Delph, UPL	
Simon Thorp, Coordinator	
Frederik Clauson-Kaas, Ph.D. Student, University of Copenhagen	
Carmel Ramwell, Senior Environmental Scientist, FERA	

3 **Pick-up in York.** Transport will be provided for the 20 minute journey to Aldby Park from York Station at 09:40 and to catch return trains at 15:30, for those who have requested it – see above.

If you require transport, and you have not already requested it, please contact [Anne Stoddart](#) Tel: 01387 723201.

4 **Summary of Actions from the meeting held on 16 September 2014**

Ref	Details	Action By	Status
2.1.1	Contact Prof Robin Pakeman – area of bracken cover	Coordinator	Complete
2.2.4	Letter of Access – need to be renewed?	CRD	Complete
2.3.6	Advise on progress of registration application	UPL	Ongoing
2.4.1	Announce asulam price by 31 January 2015	UPL	Complete
3.1.2	Investigate spray authorisation difficulties	Natural England, Heli-Lift Services	
3.3.3	Copy of letter to CAA to be sent to BCG	PDG	

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4.5.3	Discuss write up of Bracken Proving Trial	UPL / Landward	
5.4	Agri-environment scheme comparison across the UK – consider.	Coordinator, Natural England	Completed - NFA
6.8	Proposal to complete Alternative to Asulam work	Roy Brown	Complete
9.1	Submit application for Emergency Application	Coordinator	Complete
10.1	Contact possible Sector Representative from NT	Coordinator	
10.4	Send Coordinator Notes from meeting at CRD on 14 Jul 14	Natural England	
10.5	Knapsack sprayer training	UPL	