

Animal Welfare & Sustainable Populations

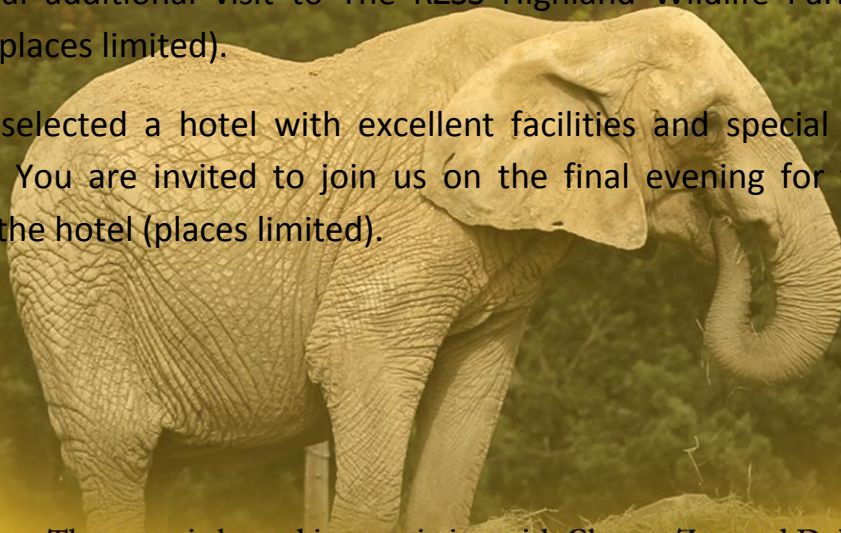
27th to 30th May 2014.

Blair Drummond Safari and Adventure Park is hosting a 4 day conference discussing best practice for sustainable zoo population management. The meeting follows our hugely successful Animal Welfare and Habitat Design Conference in October 2012.

The conference is to be hosted in the spectacular Blair Drummond House overlooking the safari park. The event will run from 8:30 until 5 daily, is themed with a set title and concludes with a chaired discussion based workshop. The subjects for each day will be linked to give a coherent take home message: developing best practice for sustainable zoo population management. The conference will require full participation from delegates in order to develop this message and provide a strong understanding of the philosophy we aim to establish.

An optional additional visit to The RZSS Highland Wildlife Park is available on the Saturday (places limited).

We have selected a hotel with excellent facilities and special discounted rates for delegates. You are invited to join us on the final evening for the conference meal hosted at the hotel (places limited).



The event is hosted in association with Chester Zoo and Dublin Zoo.



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Day 1:

The Justification of Zoos:

Theme:

- Establish and justify why zoos are necessary.
- How do they contribute to a population?
- Highlight welfare issues that species face in captivity.
- Overview of animals within captivity and long term goals we should be working towards.
- Future for the wild and zoo conservation.
- What can we achieve?

Day 2:

What do animals want in their lives?

Theme:

- Defining animal culture.
- Emotional welfare.
- Managing good health.
- Social interactions and requirements.

Day 3:

Representing a Species Within a Sustainable Framework:

Themes:

- Representing your species as part of a sustainable population.
- What do the public want to see?
- Putting across an effective message.
- How do we turn visitors into conversationalists?
- Importance of research in promoting welfare.

Day 4:

Designing and Managing a Sustainable Program:

Themes:

- What does it take to design a sustainable management program?
- Why it is essential that everyone works together.
- Being a part of the bigger picture.
- Achieving these results within an affordable budget.

Day 5:

Zoo Visit.

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Conference Registration.

Cost of 4 day conference (including breakfasts, lunches, transport to the park and tea/coffee): **£195**

Visit to the Highland Wildlife Park (including lunch and transport): **£12.50**

Conference Meal: **£30.**

A £45 per night room rate has been negotiated at the Stirling Management Centre: <http://www.smc.stir.ac.uk/>

A discount code for the hotel will be sent to you after registration.

To register, or address any enquiries, send your details to conference@blairdrummond.com

You will then be emailed an invoice from our accounts department.

To be sure of securing your place please register before Tuesday 15th of April 2014.



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