

NEWSLETTER

SUPPLIERS SIGN UP FOR CONFERENCE 2021

EnviroTechnology are the latest traders to sign up for our Conference to be held at the University of Aston University on Thursday 18th November. More are anticipated now from our key policy areas of noise and land.



HIGHLIGHTS IN THIS MONTH'S ISSUE

Impact of the pandemic on environmental quality

Tim Williamson is to address Conference 2021 on the impact of Covid on air quality and how it has affected our attitudes and behaviours. He has 25 years' experience in environmental policy support, development and analysis, mainly in air quality but also covering climate change and resource efficiency.

Conference 2021 latest

Speakers include:
 Professor Jim Longhurst, EPUK President
 Professor Sir Stephen Holgate, Clean Air Champion
 Professor Anna Hansell, Chair of COMEAP
 Alex Minshull, Bristol City Council
 Dr Sarah Moller, SysRisk
 Johan Kuylenstierna, Stockholm Environment Institute.

Climate Change Guidance Report

As we head towards the COP26 Climate Change Conference in Glasgow later this year, our PUK team are busy updating the guidance for local authorities that was last produced in 2013. This is a major task but should be ready for you by our Conference in November 2021.

Sign up here for our Annual Conference, sponsored by Bosch: <https://www.environmental-protection.org.uk/event/epuk-annual-conference-2021/>



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An invaluable feature of our Annual EPUK Conference is the chance for our trade suppliers to present their latest products.

The exhibitors' space is an opportunity for participants to see the latest gadgets on offer and to catch up with those companies who support our endeavours so well. ET need no introduction in this regard to most of us, as arguably the leading company offering Air Quality Monitoring and Continuous Emissions Monitoring Systems for Local Authorities, Universities / Research Institutions and Industry, both here in the UK and Overseas.

And, of course, their air quality monitoring **Smogmobile** which is a mobile air quality monitoring laboratory is known to many. Both the vehicle and the equipment are entirely battery powered, so even on the move it produces no emissions of any kind which could add to air pollution and skew results. It can measure air quality both inside the driver's cab and outside the vehicle. We are thus delighted to note ET's keenness to support this event. When contacted, their Director, Duncan Monsour put it this way, *'Yes, ET would be keen. I think we are all chomping at the bit to see customers again.'* And apart from their trade stands, each trade exhibitor will have the opportunity to address participants 'on stage' during the Conference proceedings.



ET Technology Smogmobile in action

Sign up here as an exhibitor at very reasonable rates:

<https://www.environmental-protection.org.uk/event/epuk-annual-conference-2021/>

CLIMATE CHANGE: LOCAL AUTHORITY GUIDANCE

Sarah Legge and her team of volunteers are busy updating our EPUK Guidance on Climate Change, namely: Air Quality and Climate Change: Integrating Policy in Local Authorities 2013. Including, case studies, it will no doubt be of great value to local authorities. With COP26 on the horizon and the interest that will arise from the UN IPCC report this month warning



that the 1.5C warming target will be breached without "*immediate, rapid and large-scale reductions in greenhouse gas emissions*", Local Authorities will value all the guidance they can get. The process of updating our document which extends to seven chapters is a major task and has therefore been apportioned to our experts in each particular field. Work on it will proceed during the summer months with a view to completion before COP26 with its launch at the Aston Conference on 18th November. Be there for it!

AND THE LATEST CC STATUS?

Peter Coll reports this month that whilst looking for updated facts and statistics on global warming, he came to our page our web page:

<https://www.environmental-protection.org.uk/policy-areas/air-quality/air-pollution-and-transport/>.

It helped him to understand climate change on another level. It also inspired him to check the internet for more resources where he found a full review of the current global warming status.

He assumes that our readers would be interested in this resource which we now share with you and accessible to members of the public at:

<https://www.tomorrow.io/weather/blog/global-warming-status/>

We thank him for his diligent work!

And here is one from our Sarah, currently acting Chair of Air Quality committee: the UNEP/CCAC report on "Synergizing action on the environment and climate: good practice in China and around the globe" at:

<https://www.ccacoalition.org/en/resources/synergizing-action-environment-and-climate-good-practice-china-and-around-globe>

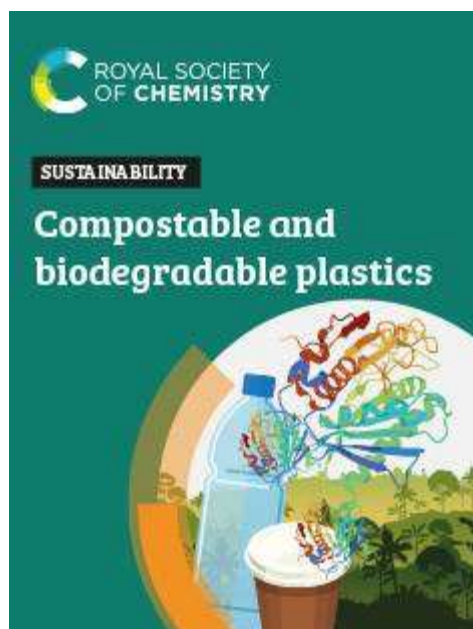
SUSTAINABLE PLASTICS

Our Chairman of Trustees, Christopher Fry, recently viewed a Royal Society of Chemistry webinar regarding recycling of plastics. This information should be of interest to Members of the EPUK Land Quality Committee & other professionals keen to avoid the practice of disposal of plastics to landfill.

Want to find out more? Follow the link to view the three publications 'Towards more sustainable plastics', 'Compostable & biodegradable plastics' & 'Additives for degradable plastics'.



www.rsc.org/new-perspectives/sustainability/progressive-plastics/plastics-explainers



AND FINALLY, FROM THE PRESS

The Guardian

The Guardian Reports this month that Britain has about 310,000 miles (500,000km) of hedgerow. But the independent Climate Change Committee recommends planting 40% more hedgerows by 2050, and that the Government needs to commit itself to this target in the run-up to Cop26, the UN climate change conference in Glasgow this autumn. As while forests get the lion's share of plaudits for reducing climate breakdown by locking up carbon from the atmosphere, hedgerows are sorely overlooked for storing carbon in their shoots, roots, leaf litter and other organic matter in the soil.

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