

Restoring meadow communities: plants, soils, people

24-25 May 2023
Oxford Natural History Museum

Join us for this inspiring two-day conference, taking a holistic look at floodplain meadow restoration with plenty of opportunities for networking and sharing best practice. In the historic setting of the Oxford Natural History Museum, we'll hear practical talks about restoring meadow soils and plants, take a look at measuring success, and identify mechanisms for funding and delivery. And we'll head out to see all this in action at some nearby restoration meadows, which we'll compare with an excellent example of an ancient meadow as a reference site.



Preliminary outline

DAY 1

10.30 *Session 1:* Restoring soils: soil life, compaction, nutrients

12.30 Lunch

13.30 *Session 2:* Measuring success: assessments and evidence

15.00 Site visit to an ancient meadow and a restoration meadow

19.30 Conference Dinner

DAY 2

9.30 Site visit to a recent restoration site covering a range of practical aspects

12.30 Lunch

13.30 *Session 3:* Making things happen: policy, funding, delivery

15.30 Conference Close

Image (top right): 'A Precious Resource' by Alice Walker
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