





Hampshire Amphibian and Reptile Group (HARG) - Meeting at Marwell Wildlife

11th November 2017, 13:00 – 17:00, Science & Learning Centre, Marwell Zoological Park, Winchester, SO21 1JH

13:00 -13:30	Arrival, coffee and chat, including handing out committee election forms
13:30-13:45	Welcome, explanation of the reason for this inaugural meeting, introduction of proposed committee members and how the committee voting process will work. Paul Edgar, Natural England (and Acting Chair of HARG)
13:45-14:45	Talk Session 1: Why does Hampshire need an Amphibian & Reptile Group?
	13:45-14:05. The national herpetofauna conservation picture and why a resurrected HARG is important: A perspective from Amphibian and Reptile Conservation. Tony Gent, CEO, Amphibian & Reptile Conservation
	14:05-14:25. The national ARG network, and how ARG UK can support HARG. Angie Julian, Coordinator, Amphibian & Reptile Groups of the UK
	14:25-14:45. Learning from the neighbours: surveying in Surrey and Hampshire, Jamel Guenioui, Reptile Officer, Surrey Amphibian & Reptile Group
14:45-15:15	Break (including voting and handing in of forms)
15:15-16:15	Talk Session 2: Some Key Amphibian and Reptile Projects in Hampshire
	15:15-15:35 Local delivery of a national programme: people, ponds and water, Naomi Ewald, People, Ponds and Water National Co-ordinator, Freshwater Habitats' Trust
	15:35-15:55. Sand lizard re-introduction at Eelmoor Marsh SSSI, Farnborough. Rachel Gardner, Marwell Wildlife
	15:55-16:15. The New Forest Smooth Snake Survey. Ben Limburn, Smooth Snake Officer, Amphibian & Reptile Conservation
16:15-16:45	Break (plus vote counting)
16:45-17:00	Announcement and introduction of new committee plus next steps

DIRECTIONS:

Please park in the signposted car park and enter Marwell Zoo through the main public entrance – give your name at the gate and you will be directed to the Science & Learning Centre (allow about 10 minutes to walk in from the car park).