



SW CoRE Conference 1st November 2011 AGENDA

Date:	1 st November 2011	Co-ordinator:	Jessica Hoult
Place:	The Hartnoll Hotel, Tiverton	Tel:	01392 878333
Time:	9.30	Chairman:	David Fursdon

08.30-09.00	Refreshments and Registration for members/observers (partners)	
09.00-09.30	SW CoRE AGM	

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09.25-09.30	Introduction	David Fursdon, Chairman SW CoRE
09.30-10.00	Too much water? Too Dirty? The impact of flood, the precautions to take, the relevant obligations and the opportunities for rural businesses.	Environment Agency Speaker
10.00-10.30	Too little water? This year's dry spring will raise questions on abstraction, irrigation, water efficiency and choice of crop/species.	
10.30-11.00	Energy from water The SW isn't Scotland but our streams and rivers could lead to further development of Hydro electric power. Will it?	Renewables speaker
11.00-11.30	Coffee Break	
11.30-12.00	Reform of the Common Agricultural Policy Leaks seeping under the door from smoke filled rooms in Brussels are interesting. What does the future look like?	Prof Michael Winter (asked)
12.00-12.30	The Rural Development Programme for England With the demise of the SWRDA, DEFRA have taken their RDPE team 'in house'. What will this and CAP reform mean for the money available to the SW?	Andrew Slade (asked)
12.30-1.00	DEFRA's farming and rural network DEFRA have invited expressions of interest from groups interested in taking part in this network. Responses have been received including in the SW. We should know more by 1 st November.	DEFRA Minister invited
1.00-13.15	Possible open forum	
13.15	Lunch	