

River Ouse Project Conference

This event provides an opportunity to learn about an interdisciplinary project being undertaken by CCE faculty, students and volunteers. Using archival sources, oral histories and ecological fieldwork, we are exploring the conservation potential of washlands in the upper River Ouse catchment in East Sussex when used for flood alleviation. Guest speakers will discuss other related conservation projects.

Programme: Saturday 2 February 2008

9.45 REGISTRATION

10.15 **Welcome by the Chair**

10.20 **Where have all the wild flowers gone? Streamside meadows in the upper Ouse**

Dr Margaret Pilkington (University of Sussex)

10.55 **Ask the fellows who cut the hay: oral histories, farm practice and nature conservation**

Dr Mark Riley (University of Portsmouth)

11.30 COFFEE

12.00 **Stories and archives: integrating records, maps and oral histories**

Dr Will Pilfold (University of Sussex)

12.30 LUNCH

1.40 **A web of interdisciplinary research with practical implications: a case study of applied oral history**

Andrew Holmes (University of Sussex)

2.20 **The Hay Time project: historical research**

Neil Diment (Independent Researcher for North Pennines AONB)

2.45 TEA

3.15 **Plenary session**

Discussion chaired by Dr Gerry Holloway (University of Sussex)

3.45 CLOSE