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REVITALISING AND VALUING BROWNFIELD SPACES: SUSTAINABLE LAND REDEVELOPMENT AND BIODIVERSITY

CONFERENCE PROGRAMME

16 th SEPTEMBER 2025 – HELD ONLINE		
Morning Chair: Harriet Webb CIEEM, CEcol, CEnv (CIEEM Vice President Wales)		
SESSION 1		
09.30	Welcome and introduction	
	Harriet Webb CIEEM, CEcol, CEnv (CIEEM Vice President Wales)	
09.35	Opening address:	
	Harriet Webb CIEEM, CEcol, CEnv (CIEEM Vice President Wales)	
09.45	Net Benefit for Biodiversity – An emerging planning tool to restore biodiversity on previously	
	developed land and improve ecosystem resilience.	
	Craig Llewellyn CEcol MCIEEM CSJK, Atkins Réalis	
10.10	Managing unexploded ordnance and ecology – a balanced approach	
	Harriet Webb CIEEM, CEcol, CEnv (CIEEM Vice President Wales), Arcadis	
10.35	Planning for invertebrates - the value of brownfields	
	Gemma Waters MCIEEM, Buglife – The Invertebrate Conservation Trust	
11.00	Break	
SESSION 2		
11:20	Brownfield habitats and biodiversity net gain – building best practice guidance for nature positive	
	cities	
	Caroline Nash PhD, Sustainability Research Institute at UEL	
11.45	Ty Peilot: A Multi-Agent AI Platform for Contradiction-Driven Biodiversity Enhancement in Post-	
	Industrial Regeneration	
	Darrell Mann BSc(Hons) MSc C Eng FIMechE, Systematic Innovation Network	
12:10	From moonscape to community asset: the Lane End Nature Reserve and Heathlands	
	Neighbourhood, Buckley, Flintshire	
	Elizabeth Seal, MCIEEM, CEnv, The Environment Partnership (TEP)	
12.35	Lunch	
Afternoo	on Chair: Harriet Webb CIEEM, CEcol, CEnv (CIEEM Vice President Wales)	
SESSION	13	
13:35	Coastal open mosaic habitats on previously developed land in Neath Port Talbot	
	Charles Hipkin Bsc PhD, Neath Port Talbot Local Nature Partnership	
14:00	Swansea Bay sand dune creation – a nature-based solution	
	Sean Hathaway MCIEEM, Swansea Council	
14:25	Trevor Basin area and former industrial works redevelopment	
	Sian Jones MCIEEM, Arcadis; Duncan Macaulay MCIEEM, Arcadis	
14.50	Break	
SESSION 4		

15.10	The Wales metal mine programme, addressing the challenges of legacy metal mines and working
	towards the sustainable management of natural resources.
	Lindsey Mansell CEcol, MCIEEM, Mining Remediation Authority
15.35	From coal mine to community - the transformation of Coed Ely and Rhyd y Blew collieries
	Madeleine Czura ACIEEM, Arcadis
16.00	eDNA-based monitoring of recolonisation of regenerated grassland habitats by waxcaps and
	other grassland macrofungi
	Prof. Gareth Wyn Griffith, Aberystwyth University
16.25	Summary and Close
16.35	Finish