

UK Biodiversity Partnership  
Standing Committee

UKBSC/02/5  
First meeting of the UK Biodiversity Partnership

5 September 2002

## **FIRST MEETING OF THE UK BIODIVERSITY PARTNERSHIP**

1. The UK Biodiversity Partnership has been endorsed by the Government response to the MBR. It is expected to meet annually in a conference and will have a broad membership to encompass the whole of the partnership. Attendance at the conferences will depend on the subjects under discussion.
2. It is proposed that the first meeting of the Partnership should take place in February 2003. The Scottish Executive has proposed that it should be held in Edinburgh.
3. The topics for discussion should be those which are of particular interest at UK level. Suggestions for topics might be:
  - Feedback from CBD COP 6
  - PEBLDS – Environment for Europe conference Kyiv
  - Climate change
  - Alien invasive species
  - Urban biodiversity
  - CAP reform negotiations
  - CFP reform negotiations
  - Sustainable use

We would also wish to report to the wider partnership on the progress with HAP/SAP reports.

4. The Committee is invited to consider and advise on how they would like this to be taken forward.

**UK Biodiversity Secretariat  
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