

SCIENTIFIC ADVISORY COMMITTEE: SIXTY FIRST MEETING – 1st March 2021 AT: Virtual Meeting due to Covid 19

AGENDA - OPEN SESSION

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MORNING SESSION

1. Welcome, apologies for absence and declarations of interest 10.30

2. Minutes, action points and matters arising from the meeting held on 21st September 2020

To confirm the minutes of the previous meeting, update the SAC on action points and other matters arising.

Discussion Papers

3.	Science Leadership in NatureScot (Des Thompson and Eileen Stuart) (SAC 2021/03/01) To seek views on science leadership in NatureScot	10.40
4.	SBIF & Citizen Science – next steps (lain Sime) (SAC/2021/03/02) To update SAC on the next steps	11.05
5.	Soil Health and Carbon Budgets (Patricia Bruneau and Cecile Smith) (SAC/2021/03/03) To ask SAC for views on the priority areas	11.30

6. Information Papers

13:00

SAC/2021/03/Info01 Grouse Moor Review – next steps (Des Thompson and Donald Fraser)

SAC/2021/03/Info02 Fossil Code Review – update (Colin MacFadyen)

SAC/2021/03/Info03 Slender Naiad – recovery plan (Ewan Lawrie)

SAC/2021/03/Info04 SAC Recruitment - update (Sarah Hutcheon)

SAC/2021/03/Info05 SAC Sub Groups – update (Sarah Hutcheon and Des Thompson)

7. AOB 13.35

End of Open Session