



**PROGRAMME**

Saturday June 20<sup>th</sup> 2009

10.15 Arrival, registration and coffee

10.25 Welcome

Mandy Fooks SAGS

**MORNING SESSION**

10.30 **Minister for the Environment** – Roseanna Cunningham MSP

10.50 **Dr Charles Winstanley** – Chairman Lothian Health Board

11.05 **Maf Smith** – Director Sustainable Development Commission Scotland

11.25 **Eva Schonveld** – Transition Towns

11.45 **Panel question time** - Allotments and sustainability.

**12.15 NETWORKING LUNCH**

**AFTERNOON SESSION Chaired by Sarah Boyack MSP**

13.15 **Report from Parliament** – Sarah Boyack MSP Scottish Parliament  
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13.30 **Reports from associations across Scotland:** Auchmuty Fife, Dundee, Moray,  
Shetland, Falkland, Aberdeen, Dunoon

14.30 **New allotment strategies** – Fife, Glasgow

14.45 **Workshops: leaders from relevant organizations and Scottish Allotments**

1. Acquiring land outwith Councils – *Trusts, Leases, rules and agreements*
2. Site maintenance – models of cost and management – *water, skips, communal composting, boundary fences, site inspections, maintenance communal areas and toilets*
3. Organic planting for food throughout the year- *produce, orchards, coppices*
4. Local community involvement in supporting worm composting.

**15.45 TEA AND NET-WORKING**

**16.00 FOR SAGS MEMBERS ONLY: A.G.M. Scottish Allotments and Gardens Society**  
Followed by visit to Dunblane Allotments and get-together in local hostelry.

*Note: Attendance at the Conference is free but a donation of £5 for coffee and lunch would be appreciated.*