

August 1995

Dear ANDREW COVE

Friends of the Earth Scotland Annual Conference on Scotland's Environment 1995

Towards a Sustainable Scotland

I am writing to invite you to attend the above conference which takes place in Dunfermline on 7 November 1995.

Each year Friends of the Earth Scotland organises a conference on a key issue facing Scotland's environment. In previous years we have had very well attended events which addressed the Earth Summit and Local Agenda 21; transport planning; and last year, the threat and challenge of local government reorganisation.

These conferences are particularly aimed at decisions takers and practitioners in local government, and the agencies which work with them such as local enterprise companies, government agencies, professional consultants and academics.

This year we are confronting the issue of sustainable development and will be taking the opportunity to present the results of research which we feel will have far reaching impact upon planning in Scotland. As you will see from the enclosed leaflet we have attracted interesting keynote speakers.

However we are also very keen to ensure that the experience of delegates contributes to the debate. Therefore we will, in addition to the contributions from people like Sara Parkin and others, be organising a panel of professionals in Scotland to respond to the findings of the research and there will be ample opportunity for delegates to respond as well.

We hope that you will want to take part, and I look forward to welcoming you on the day.

Yours sincerely,



Kevin Dunion
Director.



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10.00am ~ 4.30pm
7 November 1995

Carnegie Hall
Easter Court
Dunfermline



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Towards a sustainable Scotland

Since the Earth Summit we are all meant to be striving towards sustainable development. But what is it? Do we fully understand the scale of change necessary; Will it make an appreciable difference to our lives? Will it cost jobs or create many more.

Friends of the Earth Scotland has just completed a major research project involving local authorities, enterprise companies and academic institutions to define the long term targets for a sustainable Scotland.

The findings will be presented at this conference but key indications are:

- A limit to global warming emissions below that which will cause significant climate change, means Scotland would have to reduce carbon dioxide emissions by 24% by 2010.
- To reduce the impact of mining extraction and processing of raw materials, a 20 % reduction in consumption of primary metals, chemical and building materials would be required by 2010.
- We can make reductions and maintain our quality of life. Domestic energy emissions could be cut by 50% and yet the warmth of homes can still be increased.

This conference will

- Identify the targets we need to set for Scotland if we are serious about moving towards sustainability.
- Illustrate the benefits - financial, health, employment as well as environmental which can be secured from a change in resource use patterns
- Consider the European and wider international perspective, which will impact upon our planning for sustainability.
- Explore the social and economic situation in Scotland to see whether we can move from here to sustainability.

Who should attend?

The benefits of a sustainable development agenda will only be secured with the engagement of many sectors of Scottish society. Within Local authorities we need to involve key decision takers in planning, transport, housing, waste management, economic development and tourism. In addition enterprise companies, central government departments, industry and business, and academia will all want to contribute to this debate.

Key Speakers

Sara Parkin, leading green commentator in Europe, on how to present the agenda for change.

Mallini Mehra, Friends of the Earth International, on how sustainability is about more than cleaning up our own backyard.

Speaker from the **European Commission** on the European strategies and directives driving us towards sustainability.

Harald Bayer environmental mayor of Wuppertal, Germany.

and

Kevin Dunlop, Friends of the Earth Scotland will present the findings of the European Commission/Scottish Natural Heritage funded research project "Towards a Sustainable Scotland"

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7 November 1995

Carnegie Hall, Easter Court, Dunfermline
Delegate Registration

Institution

Name

Address

Town

Postcode

Please reserve _____ place/s

I enclose cheque payable to Friends of the Earth Scotland for £

Please send an invoice to the above address value £

Local authorities/statutory bodies/private sector: £95, National voluntary organisations: £45, Local organisations: £15

Fee includes documentation, lunch and refreshments. Closing date for registration 31 October 1995

DOCUMENTATION: if you are unable to attend the conference but wish to receive copies of the conference documentation please tick the box above, complete the registration form and return it to FoE Scotland with your cheque. The fee for documentation is £15 (inc.P+P)

BOOKING CANCELLATION FEES

Less than 2 weeks: 100%

2-4 weeks: 50%

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