

Invitation to the following event at the APF 2018

DEFRA's Consultation on cleaner domestic burning solid fuels and wood

Worried about how the proposals outlined in this consultation will affect your business? What the proposals may mean financially? Want to air your concerns and views? Haven't had time to read it and want to know more?

Then make a mark in your diary for this event. You will be able to ask questions and detail how it may affect your business. It is extremely important to air your concerns now during this consultation period. Attending this meeting will allow you to feedback to DEFRA but you can also put in your own response by following this link. The session at the APF will specifically focus on wood fuels and may touch on other forms of biomass and solid fuels.

Where: Confor Marquee at the APF 2018 at Ragley Estate **When:** 10:30-12:00 Friday September 21st

Programme

10:30 to 11:00: Outline of the consultation and research behind the proposals of the consultation.

11:00 to 11:15: Outline from White Horse Energy and Elcombe Firewood on how this will affect their businesses. Discussion on practicalities around ensuring firewood moisture content is less than 20% and potential changes to your business, concerns on how to fund the changes and timescales.

11:15 to 11:30: Certification requirements, Cost implications. Retailers vs Producers potential conflict. Other forms of biomass and manufactured smokeless fuels.

11:30 to 11:45: Enforcement and practicalities

11:45 to 12:00: Summary and close.

Each of these sessions will be a short presentation with time for feedback from the audience.

Speakers include: Andrew Heald from Confor, Amanda Marshall from Ready to Burn, Helen Bentley-Fox from Woodsure, Stuart Fitzgerald from White Horse Energy and Steve Ellis from Elcombe Fire & Wood

If you are unable to attend but still would like to ask questions, please email your question before 4pm on 20th September and we will include it in the minutes of the debate which will then be emailed to you following the meeting. These questions can be emailed to info@woodsurre.co.uk with 'DEFRA's Consultation on Solid Biofuels' in the Subject line.