



## Invasive Weeds Symposium

Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> October 2006

The Eden Project, Bodelva, St Austell, Cornwall  
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### Programme

- 9:00 Delegate arrival/registration
- 9:45 Welcome from Dr Dylan Bright and Tim Smitt
- 9:50 James Paice MP, Shadow Secretary of State for Agriculture and Rural Affairs
- 10:00 Prof. Max Wade – Alien weeds: Past, Present and Future
- 10:20 The Cornwall Knotweed Forum
- Colin Hawke: History of the Forum
  - James McFarlane: Present work of the Forum
  - Carol Williams: The Future
- 11:20 **Coffee**
- 11:45 Mark Prout - 'Waterwaysnet' Surveying a River Catchment
- 12:10 Olaf Booy - Giant Hogweed: A Bigger, Nastier Invader
- 12:35 Phil Rusted - Thurlow Countryside Management - A Commercial perspective
- 1:00 **Buffet Lunch**
- 2:00 Richard Shaw - Using natural enemies to combat invasive weeds:  
The Case for Japanese Knotweed
- 2:25 Robert Tanner - The Potential for the Natural Control of Himalayan Balsam
- 2:45 Trevor Renals - The Environment Agency
- 3:10 Mark Spencer - Spanish Bluebells: Is Hybridisation a threat?
- 3:35 OPEN DISCUSSION – Chair: Dr Dylan Bright

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