



SOS - Safeguarding our Swifts

Property Managers, developers, architects, planners and citizens working together to keep swift nest sites in our towns, cities and villages.

Tuesday 24th May 2016, Battleby Conference Centre

Who is it for?

Anyone with an interest in preserving or creating effective swift nest sites in refurbished and new buildings, or with a responsibility for the biodiversity duty. Including local authorities (planners, housing departments), building developers, architects. All those who can act to ensure that the protection of swift nest sites is maintained and design ideas are shared and developed.

What is it about?

This event, part of Scotland's Year of Innovation, Architecture and Design, is about sharing experiences of saving swift nest sites. Swifts are reported to have declined generally and in Scotland by 42% between 2011 and 2012. This is largely due to the impact of building renovation on swifts' ability to find nest sites and therefore their ability to breed. This event is an opportunity for all those involved in design, development and construction to learn from others and share their experiences of site management for swift protection.

What will you gain from attending?

Participants will have the chance to learn about the legal requirements relating to swift nest sites and how some architects

and those involved in conservation have approached the issues of retaining existing swift nest sites or creating new ones. Participants will find out about projects and be enabled to share their own experiences.

- Content:** Short presentations, case studies, design activities and discussions. Opportunities to ask questions, share concerns and experiences.
- Times:** The event will start at 1000 (coffee and registration at 0930) and finish at 1600. There will also be an opportunity for any interested participants to join an evening walk with a local community group to view work being done to retain swift nest sites nearby.
- Venue:** Battleby Conference Centre
Battleby
Redgorton
PERTH
PH1 3EW
Tel: 01738 458551
- Organisers:** Scottish Natural Heritage in partnership with Tayside Biodiversity partnership and Concern for Swifts (Scotland)
- Cost:** Standard Price: £50; Student/Senior Citizen/Volunteer: £25
Lunch & refreshments will be provided.
- Payment:** See booking form for payment options. Please note that our preferred option is by credit or debit card. After booking confirmation, please call 01738 458555 with your card details and we shall be happy to process your payment.
- Booking:** To book a place, please complete the booking form which should be returned to sgp@snh.gov.uk as soon as possible, and no later than Friday 1st May 2016; or post to SGP Team, Scottish Natural Heritage, Battleby, Redgorton, Perth, PH1 3EW

Tayside Biodiversity Partnership



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