

Analysis of feedback forms RSVP conference 13th October

51 forms received

Q1. How do you rate the conference? 1 = worst, 5 = best

Result: 96% respondents scored the event a 4 or 5 with 53% giving the conference the highest score of 5

Q2. Has the conference helped you learn about the importance of hedges, verges and watercourses in the Shropshire landscape?

Result: 61% said the conference helped a lot, 29% said the conference helped a bit and 14% said they already understood the importance.

Q3. Will you take action to try and promote the restoration of hedgerows, road verges and watercourses as a result of the conference?

Result: 63% said they would take action with 29% saying they already were taking action

Q4. Before the conference, were you aware of any of the following organisations or projects?

Result: 59% knew about RSVP, 47% Marches Meadow group, 22% Wilder Marches, 98% Shropshire Wildlife Trust, 45% stepping Stones, 14% Hedgeline, 20% Trees outside woodlands & 33% Severn Trent

Q5 What best describes who you are representing today?

Result: 35% Parish Councils, 10% Town Councils, 4% County Council, 4% Environmental NGO, 22% community environmental group, 12% landowners, 12% interested citizens & 8% other

Suggested topics for the future – have been grouped into themes

1. Help with developing town & Parish Climate Action plans
2. Help with public / councillor engagement tools / tool box / practical advice
3. Case studies / site visits
4. Species introduction/ action plans
5. Flood management / resilience workshops for councils
6. Water pollution mitigation/ citizen science
7. Right to grow / local food security
8. More knowledge on changing farming practices/ rewilding
9. Development of seed banks

Positive comments received – thank you!

- *“Well organised and enjoyable”*
- *“Really good day”*
- *“Best conference to date”*
- *“I learnt a lot more about things I already knew about. Networking during breaks was really useful”*
- *“We found it so interesting and your speakers were able to answer a lot of questions we as a Parish council were looking for.*
- *The opportunity to meet similar interested councillors and gain the information we need to help protect our verges and meadows is so valuable”*
- *“I really enjoyed the conference at Montford stimulating and very informative”*

