

Annual Conference 2010

Rural Futures in a time of change – policy and practice

Thursday 23 September

Time:

9.30am–4.00pm

Venue:

Slaugham Manor
Conference Centre
Slaugham
West Sussex
RH17 6AJ
(off A23 near Handcross)

Price:

£42 (inc. VAT)
Includes a
local produce lunch

Booking:

Please fill in the
attached booking form
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Keynote speaker:

- **Francis Maude MP**, Minister for the Cabinet Office on the Civil Society and the challenges for rural communities (agreed subject to parliamentary agenda)

Responses regarding local policies and issues from:

- **Cllr Louise Goldsmith**, Leader of West Sussex County Council
- **Becky Shaw**, Chief Executive of East Sussex County Council
- **Jeremy Leggett**, Chief Executive of Action in rural Sussex
- **South Downs National Park Board** (tbc)

PLUS...

- networking, information and ideas sessions
- 12 community displays reflecting community initiatives and projects
- information stands

Consultations on rural priorities, a response to the Civil Society proposals

Workshops and presentations on range of issues –

- rural community buildings and assets
- infrastructure – housing, broadband, transport
- services for older people,
- young people and families
- rural business and employment
- role of town and parish councils and the power of well-being

Demonstrations of websites and tools for rural communities

AirS Services – an update on the services and support provided by AirS