

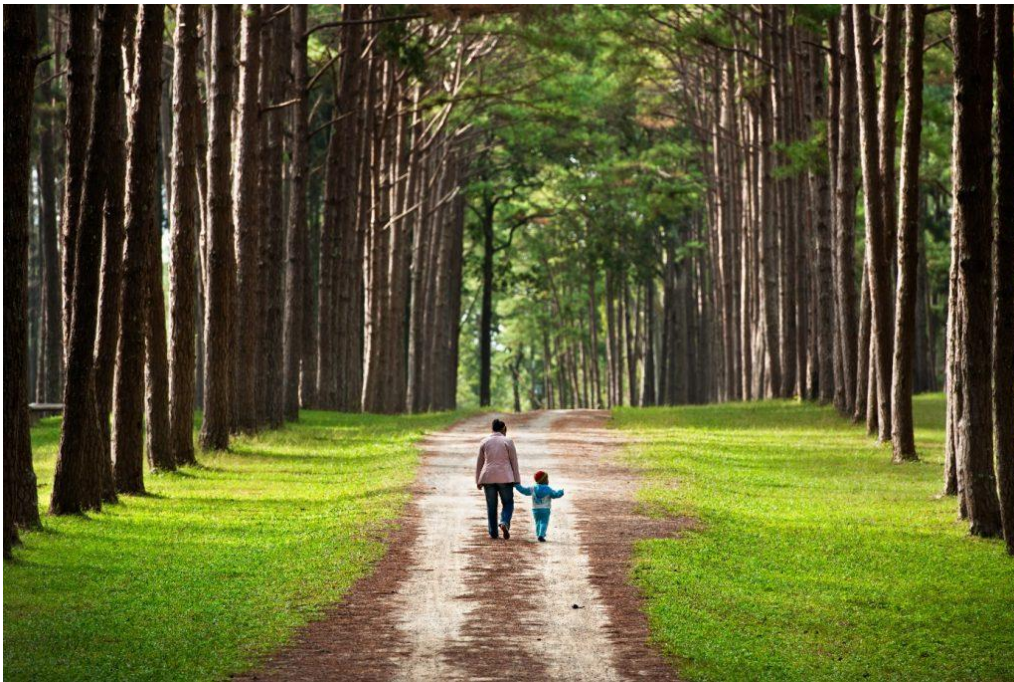


# The Multiple Values of Nature

A Joint Meeting of the British Ecological Society Journal, *People and Nature*, and the Valuing Nature Programme.

2 – 3 March 2020, Bristol, UK

## Delegates' Pre-symposium Information Pack



[#MVN20](#)

[www.britishecologicalsociety.org/events/multiple-values-nature](http://www.britishecologicalsociety.org/events/multiple-values-nature)

## ABOUT BRISTOL

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The home of Blackbeard, Brunel and Banksy, Bristol is one of the UK's most richly historic and cultural cities. While its centre offers a huge array of heritage sites, cafes and bars, the city is also surrounded by the beautiful countryside of Somerset, Gloucestershire and the Cotswolds. Bristol prides itself in supporting independent businesses, and with a great emphasis on sustainability and green ventures, is one of the most ethically and eco-minded UK destinations.

Find more information on the [Visit Bristol](#) website.

## TRAVELLING TO BRISTOL

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Bristol offers visitors easy transport links into the city.

### By rail

Bristol has two major railway stations, Bristol Temple Meads and Bristol Parkway. Both are serviced by [Great Western Rail](#) for travel from London and the South of England. Bristol Temple Meads offers direct routes from Wales, Scotland, Manchester and Birmingham. Although both stations are close to Bristol, Bristol Temple Meads is closest to the venue, so we would recommend travelling here.

If you are travelling by Eurostar to the UK, London Paddington is just 15-minutes from St. Pancras International on the Hammersmith and City or Circle lines on the London Underground. The onward journey to Bristol from London Paddington is then less than two hours by train.

For more information and to book your train tickets in advance for lower cost ticket use [National Rail](#).

### By air

We encourage delegates to consider travelling by low-carbon routes where possible. However, if this is not possible, Bristol has a large international airport, with quick and easy travel to and from the city. A regular bus service, the [Airport Flyer Express](#), has two services into Bristol city centre.

The A1 service operates every 10 minutes at peak times to key locations including Bristol Airport, Bristol Harbourside, Brunel's SS Great Britain, Wapping Wharf, Bristol Temple Meads and Bristol Bus Station.

The A2 operates between Bristol Airport and Bristol city centre (Lewins Mead) via Bedminster every half hour between 3.30am and midnight and takes 30 minutes to reach the city centre.

More information is available at [bristolairport.co.uk/to-and-from-the-airport](http://bristolairport.co.uk/to-and-from-the-airport)

### By car

Bristol is situated at the intersection of the M4 and M5 motorways, so is easily accessed from all areas of the UK. The journey from London takes approximately 2.5 hours, 2 hours from Birmingham and 3.5 hours from Manchester.

Useful tools to plan your journey by road are [The AA](#) and [The RAC](#).

### By coach

Bristol Bus Station is situated on Marlborough Street, near Broadmead shopping centre.

[National Express](#) runs services from across the country to Bristol's bus and coach station in the city centre, including regional bus services.

[Megabus](#) runs coaches to Bristol from a number of different destinations around the UK including Exeter, Plymouth, Cwmbran, London, Swansea and Newcastle. They have four drop off points: Bond Street in the city centre, Emersons Green Sainsbury's, Longwell Green Aspects Leisure Centre, and Bristol Airport.

## TRAVELLING WITHIN BRISTOL AND TO THE VENUE

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### Venue addresses

We The Curious  
One Millennium Square  
Anchor Road  
BS1 5DB

### By train

Bristol Temple Meads train station is a 20-minute walk from We The Curious, or a 15-minute bus ride with the number 73, 349 or X39 buses from the outside the station.

### By bus

Most buses in Bristol are provided by FirstBus. Tickets can be purchased online, through the app, or with contactless on the bus. Plan your route and find more information [on their website](#).

### By bike

Bristol is the UK's first Cycling City, acknowledging the city's growing status as one of Europe's most bike-friendly destinations. There are cycle routes on almost all its major roads, and there are plenty of places to lock up your bike, over 300 cycle parking spaces and public free-to-use bike pumps.

There is plenty of choice for hiring a bike if you don't bring your own, including:

[Bristolbicycles](#)

[Bristol Cycle Shack](#)

[Blackboy Hill Cycles](#)

Electric bikes are also available at [Bristol Bike Hire](#).

Find a route at [betterbybike.info/](http://betterbybike.info/)

### By foot

Due to its high proportion of pedestrian-only areas and hidden streets, Bristol is well-suited to walking. Find routes at [travelwest.info/walk](http://travelwest.info/walk) or [walkit.com](http://walkit.com).

If you'd like to download a map before you set out, you can find one [free on Visit Bristol](#).

### By car

If you are travelling to Bristol by car please be aware that the city centre is very busy, particularly in rush hour, and much of it is one-way. A rough map of parking spots can be found on [the Visit Bristol website](#) and electric car charging can be found on [Bristol.gov](#).

### By taxi

There are hundreds of licensed [Bristol Blue taxis](#) in the city which can be caught by either hailing (by

holding up your arm or waving to a taxi with its light illuminated), waiting at a taxi rank or using the BRAXI app.

Available on both [Google Store](#) and [Apple Store](#), BRAXI is very similar to other taxi hailing apps, however drivers are licensed by Bristol City Council, so you are directly supporting local people.

Other private hire companies include:

**V Cars Bristol:** 01179 25 26 26 or [online](#)

**AATaxis:** 0117 955 5000 or [online](#)

## THINGS TO DO: ICONIC BRISTOL

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### **Llandoger Trow**

This pub, just off Queen Square, is said to have been where author Daniel Defoe met Alexander Selkirk, a sailor marooned on Juan Fernandez Island and rescued by pirate Woodes Rogers. Selkirk became the inspiration for Defoe's book *Robinson Crusoe*. Queen Square itself sits by the harbour and remains much as it was hundreds of years ago when it was linked to pirates and privateers.

### **[Clifton Suspension Bridge](#)**

Clifton Suspension Bridge's spectacular setting on the cliffs of the Avon Gorge has made it the defining symbol of Bristol, drawing thousands of visitors a year just to stroll across for views of the ancient Avon Gorge, elegant Clifton and the magnificent city beyond. There are plenty of cafes and pubs nearby in which to relax afterwards.

### **Banksy walking tour**

The work of the world-famous street artist can be found all over the city. The poignant social commentary his art depicts has been sold for hundreds of thousands of pounds, but you can see much of it for free on the streets of Bristol. A self-walking tour can be [downloaded here](#) and you pass many cafes and restaurants on your way.

## THINGS TO DO: GREEN BRISTOL

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Bristol has a long association with the green movement, and sustainability. There are many things to do along this theme when you visit.

### **Visiting nature**

**[University of Bristol Botanical Gardens](#)** (*Open daily 10:00-16:00, £7 adult*)

Over 4,500 species of plant in five acres, including local and rare native species, tropical and subtropical, and an evolution collection.

**[Arnos Vale Cemetery](#)** (*Open Mon-Fri 08:30-16:30; Café open 09:00-16:30; FREE entry*)

A secret world of 45 acres, free entry to the Victorian, Arcadian landscape that acts as a haven for biodiversity in the city.

**[Windmill Hill city farm](#)** (*Open daily 09:00-17:00; FREE entry*)

Explore farming of local produce, animals, café and activities.

[Ashton Court](#) (Open daily 08:00-19:15; FREE entry)

Just 10 minutes from the city centre, Ashton Court covers 850 acres of woods and grasslands, with a deer park and stunning views across the city.

### **Food and drink**

[Source café](#) (Open daily 08:00-15:30)

Local food from small producers, Source upholds the principles of Slow Food movement of good, clean and fair food.

[Friska](#) (Open weekdays 07:00-17:00, Sat 08:00-17:00 and Sun 09:00-16:00)

This friendly eat-in or takeaway restaurant is a great place to pop out and grab a healthy lunch. Waste is recycled, composted or incinerated so it doesn't end up in landfill. Friska also supports two local charities – Deki and FRANK water – and if that's not enough, 100% of their electricity comes from renewable sources!

[Poco Tapas bar](#) (Open daily 09:00-01:00)

Poco sources as much of their produce as they can from within a 50-mile radius of the restaurant. Almost 90% of the ingredients are sourced from the UK, with the remainder imported ethically from fair non-air freight sources. They were named 'Business of the Year' by the Sustainable Restaurant Association in both 2016 and 2019.

### **THINGS TO DO: NEAR THE VENUE**

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[M Shed](#) (Open 10:00-17:00 Tues-Sun, closed Mon; FREE entry)

Colourful exhibits detailing history of the city and its people in a 1950s' dockside transit shed.

[Bristol Museum & Art Gallery](#) (Open 10:00-17:00 Tues-Sun, closed Mon; FREE entry)

Archaeology, geology and art including fossils, a Romany caravan and artwork by local artist Banksy.

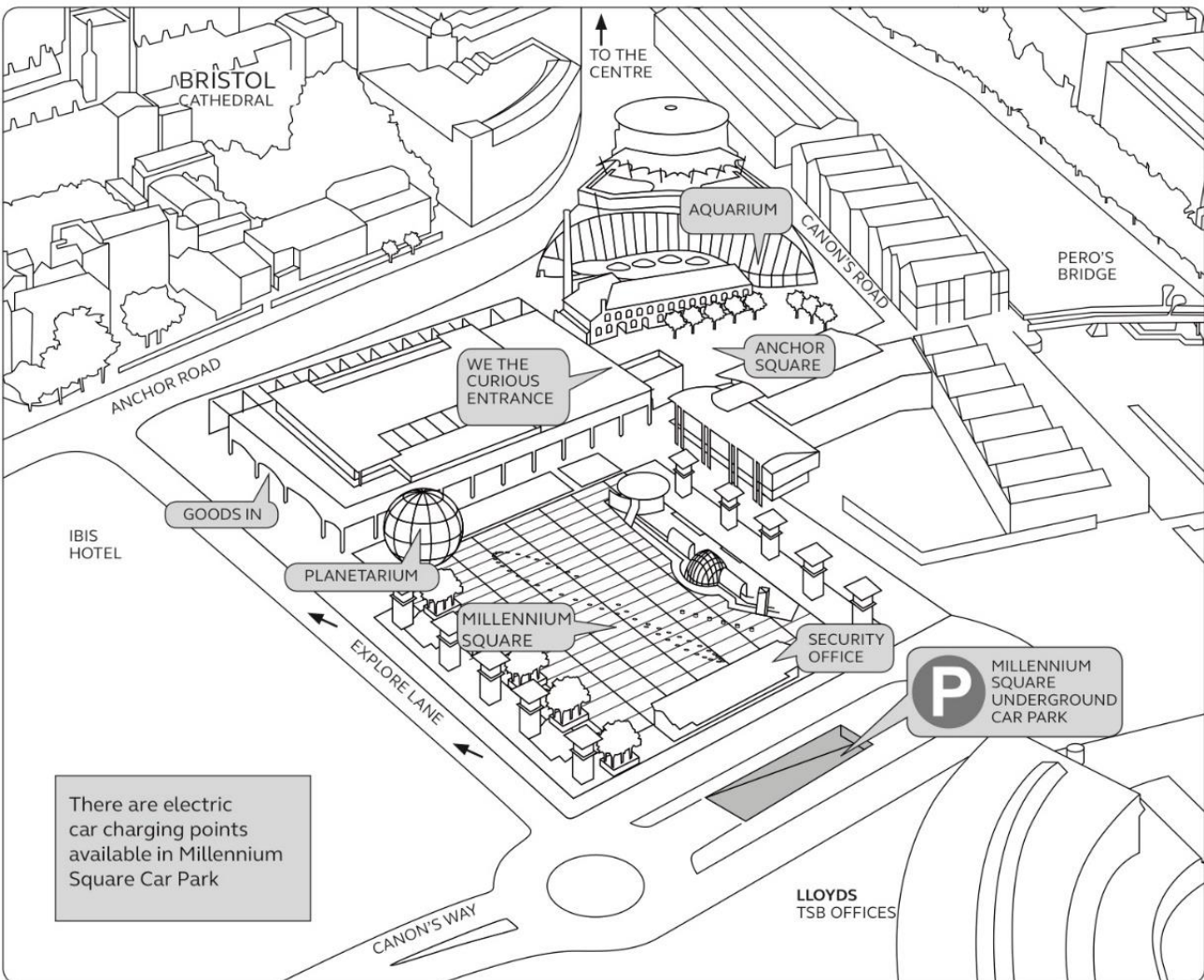
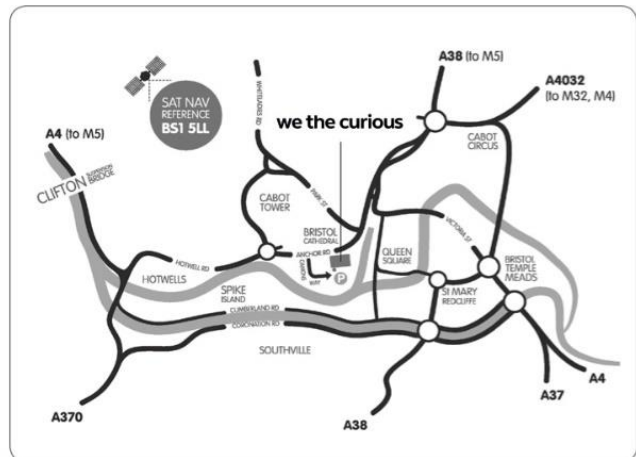
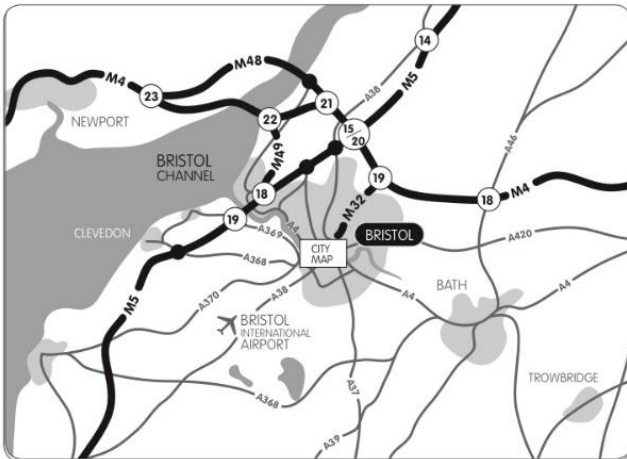
[No. 1 Harbourside](#) (Open daily 11:00-23:00)

European dishes made with locally sourced ingredients in a massive waterside space.

[Root](#) (Open 17:30-21:00 Mon and Tues; 12:00-14:00 and 17:30-21:00 Weds-Sat; Sun closed)

Local ingredients feature in a vegetable-focused menu from an open kitchen. Full bar available.

# we the curious location map



## By bicycle

We're located close to the National Cycle Network. We have plenty of cycle parking and a permanent bike pump (for both types of tyre valve) just outside the main entrance.

## By train:

The closest train station is Bristol Temple Meads. From there, We The Curious is a 20 minute walk, a 5 minute taxi ride, a 17 minute ferry ride or a 10 minute bus ride.

## By bus:

The closest train station is Bristol Temple Meads. From there, We The Curious is a 20 minute walk, a 5 minute taxi ride, a 17 minute ferry ride or a 10 minute bus ride. City Sightseeing Bristol run a regular service from Bristol Temple Meads and stop at 19 other stops around the city, including Anchor Road, just outside We The Curious. Please check their timetable before travelling.

**By car:** Sat Nav ref: BS1 5LL

## From M4/M5(N)

Follow the M32 to the end, and follow the city centre signs, then follow signs for the A4 to Anchor Road (or Avonmouth).

## From M5(S)

Exit at Jct 18 and follow the A4 to the city centre, then follow signs for We The Curious.

We The Curious is on Anchor Road with car parking at the end of Canon's Way in Millennium Square's secure underground car park.

## REGISTRATION TIMES

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Monday 2 March	09:00 – 10:00
Tuesday 3 March	09:30 – 10:30

## PRESENTER GUIDELINES

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For those of you presenting either a talk or a poster, [please read the guidelines](#) on the symposium website carefully before preparing your presentation.

## PROGRAMME OVERVIEW

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\* Tea and coffee will not be served at registration on the Monday and Tuesday, however there is a [café located on the bottom floor of We The Curious](#), which serves teas, coffees and snacks, including milks.

### Monday 2 March

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- 09:00 – 10:00 Registration
- 10:00 – 10:30 **Conference welcome**
- 10:30 – 12:45 **Session 1. Balancing multiple values**
- 12:45 – 13:30 Lunch
- 13:30 – 15:30 **Session 2. Values in action**
- 15:30 – 16:00 Tea & Coffee
- 16:00 – 18:00 **Session 3. Beyond the usual suspects in the values of nature**
- 18:00 – 19:30 Poster Session & Planetarium
- 19:30 – 23:00 Conference Dinner, Bristol Aquarium

### Tuesday 3 March

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- 09:30 – 10:30 Registration
- 10:30 – 12:30 **Session 4. Values in action**
- 12:30 – 13:30 Lunch
- 13:30 – 15:30 **Session 5. Beyond the usual suspects in the values of nature**
- 15:30 – 16:00 Tea & Coffee
- 16:00 – 17:45 **Session 6. Balancing multiple values**
- 17:45 – 18:00 Closing Summary**

19:00 – 22:00 Public Debate, Bristol Zoo (doors open 18:45)\*

\*This is a ticketed fringe event.

### Wednesday 4 March

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- 08:30 – 09:30** – Registration
- 09:30 – 12:30** – Horizon Scanning Workshop
- 12:30 – 13:30** – Lunch
- 13:30 – 16:30** – Horizon Scanning Workshop
- 16:30 – 16:45** – Close



### Coronavirus

The conference venue, We The Curious, receives daily updates on the latest government advice regarding the virus. The risk to individuals remains low and the recommended response is largely one of vigilance.

Those that have travelled to the UK from countries with significant coronavirus outbreaks in the last 14 days should be particularly vigilant.

If there is a chance you could have coronavirus, call 111 immediately, even if symptoms are mild.

The main symptoms of coronavirus are:

- a cough
- a high temperature
- shortness of breath

Further information can be found on the [Public Health England](#) website.

## VIRTUAL NATURE DEBATE

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What is the purpose of nature documentaries - great entertainment or vital for saving the planet? [#VirtualNature](#)

### **Venue:**

The Clifton Pavilion  
Clifton  
Avon  
Bristol  
BS8 3HH



### **Doors open: 18:45**

The debate will run from 19:15 – 20:45, followed by a drinks reception.

With audiences in the millions, programs about nature are more popular than ever, and interest in them is growing. But as a virtual experience, what sort of conservation and other impacts can they expect to have?

Come and find out [at our live debate](#) featuring the people who make the programmes we love and the researchers looking into their effects.

### **Speakers**



#### **Tom Heap (Chair)**

Tom Heap presents the journalistic slot on BBC Ones's Countryfile and is the principal voice on the environment series Costing the Earth on BBC Radio 4, covering climate change, insect decline, the impact of a vegan diet and much more.



#### **Professor Julia Jones**

Julia Jones is Professor of Conservation Science at Bangor University. She was the lead author on the paper: "Nature documentaries and saving nature: Reflections on the new Netflix series Our Planet" published by BES journal *People and Nature*.



#### **Mike Gunton**

Mike Gunton is the Creative Director of Factual and The Natural History Unit for BBC Studios. Mike's most recent series includes the record-breaking Planet Earth II and the ground-breaking animal behaviour series Dynasties.



#### **Assaf Shwartz**

Assaf Shwartz is a conservation biologist who specialises in applied research about promoting nature conservation and its well-being benefits. He is the head of the Landscape Architecture Department at the Israeli Institute of Technology.

### **Tickets**

- Standard – £8
- Members and MVN20 delegates – £5
- All tickets on the door – £9

## SOCIAL EVENTS

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### Sunday meet-up

For those arriving into Bristol on Sunday, we have reserved some space at the Christmas Steps pub from 19:30, for an opportunity to meet other delegates ahead of the conference. The Christmas Steps is a historical street of steps in the centre of Bristol, with a long history having been constructed in September 1669, and the pub sits at the bottom of these. The tables are reserved under British Ecological Society and located next to the log fire!

#### Address:

2 Christmas Steps  
Bristol  
BS1 5BS

### Poster Session

The poster session will take place in the Rosalind Franklin Room on Monday 2 March from 18:00 – 19:30.

### Planetarium Showings

We will be offering two 30-minute showings within the Planetarium on Monday night, before the Symposium Dinner. If you would like to join one of these showings free of charge, then please speak to a member of BES staff. Once a session has been fully allocated, we will not be able to accept additional attendees.

### Symposium Dinner

The Symposium Dinner takes place on Monday evening at Bristol Aquarium, across the road from the conference venue. This is a ticketed event. All tickets must be purchased in advance of the meeting. This will include a welcome drinks reception and three course seated dinner. If you have any questions, please ask a member of BES staff on the Registration Desk.

## ATTENDEE INFORMATION

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### Social Media

All attendees are encouraged to join the discussion via social media, so please use the hashtag [#MVN20](#) and follow [@BritishEcolSoc](#) on Twitter to ensure you are part of the conversation.

We understand that some people will not want their research broadcast. We respect that, so have created a 'do not share' image (below) for people to download on our website to add to their poster/talk. We expect that fellow attendees will also respect such a request. We will explain the meaning of the 'do not share' image on social media, our website and in the printed programme. If people do not include the 'do not share' image on their presentation, we will assume they are happy for their research to be publicised openly.



### Photography

There will be a photographer present at the event. Photographs taken may be used for promotional purposes; if you have any concerns or queries regarding this, please come and see us at the Registration Desk.

## **Internet**

**Name:** WeTheCurious Events

**Password:** milleNNium1\$Q

## **Food & Refreshments**

Your registration includes tea/coffee and lunch on both Monday and Tuesday, and drinks at the Poster Session on Monday evening. All catering will be available in the Annexe Rooms during the designated breaks.

## **Badges**

For security and regulation purposes, please ensure **you wear your registration badge at all times throughout the venue.**

## **Mobile Phones**

As a courtesy to speakers and other delegates, we ask that all mobile phones and electronic devices be changed to **silent mode** before entering any session.

## **Cloak Room**

There will be a cloak room located next to the registration desk in the Rosalind Franklin Room.

## **Lost Property**

Please hand in lost property to the Registration Desk, where it will be made available for collection.

## **Smoking Policy**

Please note that smoking is not permitted inside the building.

## **First Aid**

Should you require first aid assistance during the Symposium, please contact a BES team member who will be able to guide you to the appointed first aider.

## **Venue Security & Liability**

Staff will guide guests out of the building to the assembly point. Do not use the lifts. The assembly point is the beetle sculpture on Anchor Square (the cobbled square in front of the main entrance). Staff will inform guests when it is safe to re-enter the building. There are no planned fire alarms during the conference, therefore any fire alarm will be the real thing.

## **Insurance & Liability**

The symposium organisers will not accept liability for personal injury or loss/damage to property/belongings of participants or accompanying persons, before, during or following the symposium, or their stay in Bristol. It is therefore recommended that participants arrange their own personal health, accident and travel insurance.

## **Accessibility within the building**

The car park, venue (including the event space) is fully accessible. The event space is on the second floor, accessible by wheelchair with two passenger lifts. Inside the main room there are two accessible toilets. There are Hearing Loops at the Planetarium ticket desks and in the Rosalind Franklin Room. Guide dogs are welcome.

## **Currency**

Bristol uses the Pound Stirling.

**Electricity Voltage**

220 - 240 Volts, Type G electrical plug with three rectangular prongs.

**Time Zone**

Bristol is currently within GMT (Greenwich Mean Time).

**Disclaimer**

All the best endeavours will be made to present the programme advertised. However, the BES and its partners reserve the right to alter or cancel, without prior notice, arrangements, timetables, plans or other items relating directly or indirectly to the symposium, for any cause beyond its reasonable control. The BES and its partners are not liable for any loss or inconvenience caused as a result of such cancellation. Delegates are advised to take out their own travel insurance and extend their policy to cover personal possessions as the BES and its partners do not cover individuals against cancellation of bookings or theft or damage to belongings. Tours run by third parties may be subject to cancellation should the minimum numbers not be achieved.

**POST-CONFERENCE TOUR *Wednesday 3 March***

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**Leigh Woods**

**Duration:** 09:00-13:30

**Cost:** £10 per person (includes a tour from the park ranger). Don't forget to bring a packed lunch!

**Meeting point:** Bus stop Anchor Road, outside We The Curious

Bus numbers X3 or X4 (destination: Portishead) will take you for 7 stops (approx. 20 minutes) to North Road.

**Destination stop:** North Road

The tour lead will meet you at the North Road entrance to the woods at 09:45 and the tour will begin at 10:00. North Road bus stop is less than a 5 minute walk to Leigh Woods.

**Walks**

The southern part of Leigh Woods was formerly wood pasture and is home to a large number of veteran trees, mainly oak pollards. This area was historically part of the Ashton Court Estate, a Site of Special Scientific Interest (SSSI), to the west. These two sites have one of the largest populations of veteran trees in the South West. Leigh Woods has a range of walks, and your tour guide will take you around the length of the woodland walk, which will take approximately 2 ½ hours.

**CONTACT**

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If you have any questions leading up to the symposium, please do not hesitate to get in touch with the BES events team at [events@britishecologicalsociety.org](mailto:events@britishecologicalsociety.org)