

Transforming the way we eat, farm and care for our natural world

Come along to our series of talks

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Wednesday 2nd July

10:00Drop in: Story shack – farmer- 12:00storytelling surgery session

- Olivia James, Soil Association
- Dan Morrell, Soil Association

Are you a regenerative or organic producer? In this one-to-one storytelling session, experts will help you uncover your values and purpose, connecting people to more than just your produce.

11:00Sow what? How Exchange-11:50Market shares the cost of
more sustainable farming

- Chair: Emily Norton, Soil Association Exchange
- Ben Makowiecki, Lloyds Banking Group
- David White, Hawk Mill Farms
- Louise Rezler, Soil Association Exchange

Join Emily Norton and a panel to explore Exchange Market, a farmer-led scheme tackling carbon emissions. It pays farmers for reducing emissions and improving environmental outcomes, sharing costs across the supply chain, and aligning with best practices.

13:30Unpacking the opportunity-14:20in the organic market

- Chair: Carolyn Coxe, Soil Association
- Anne Rees, Abel & Cole
- John Taylor, Pollybell Farm
- Sophie Kirk, Soil Association Certification

Discover organic market trends and consumer insights. Hear about new supply chain opportunities with Abel & Cole, tips for integrating organic produce into arable rotations and explore the future challenges and rewards of organic with those shaping its direction.

15:00Serving up sustainability:-15.50The public sector journey
to agroecology

- Ruth Galpine, Soil Association
- Ben Peel, Equilibrium Markets
- Amy Morgan, University of Bristol

How is the government aim of 50% local ϑ higher environmental quality public food going to be delivered? What are the opportunities for agroecological producers and suppliers? Hear about new tech-enabled pilot opportunities, from Soil Association and EM.

16:00Seeing the whole picture:-16:50Towards accuratefood ecometrics

- Chair: Brendan Costelloe, Soil Association
- Catherine Chong, CLEAR
- Harriet Bell, Riverford Organic Farmers
- Fabia Bromovsky, Sustainable Food Trust

Are current food ecometrics effective? As demand for environmental measurement grows, robust data is vital. This session explores creating consistent, accurate, accessible metrics that truly capture the impact of regenerative and agroecological practices.

Thursday 3rd July

10:00The future of soil science:-10:50Al powered tools for
soil management

- Chair: Josiah Judson, Soil Association
- Hélène Iven, Digit Soil
- Bridget Emmett, UK Centre for Ecology and Hydrology
- Ichsani Wheeler, Open Geo Hub

Discover how AI revolutionises regenerative land management with digital twins and novel lab-free measurement tools. Learn how projects like AI4SoilHealth predict soil health, enabling proactive strategies. See practical demos and discuss AI's future in agriculture.

12:00Can you dig it? Practical-12:50tips to get to know your soil

Mark Palmer, Soil Association Exchange

Join Soil Association Exchange to explore the living world of soil. This session will show farmers how to improve soil health on their farms and provide tools for simple on-farm tests to better understand their soil.

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