

## **31<sup>st</sup> August- 1<sup>st</sup> September**

### BSA Climate Change Study Group - Camping Trip and Roundtable at Centre for Alternative Technology, Machynlleth

#### 'Energy Futures for a Zero Carbon Britain'

You are invited to join the BSA Climate Change Study Group on a camping trip to Machynlleth from 31<sup>st</sup> August- 1<sup>st</sup> September. The broad aim of this trip is to get to know each other and to discuss our research. As part of our trip, we will also be taking part in a round table discussion with the co-ordinators of the 'Zero Carbon Britain' project at the Centre for Alternative Technology (CAT). Here we will focus on how sociological approaches can contribute in carving pathways to a sustainable energy future.

We will be staying on a campsite next to CAT, where there are full washing and toilet facilities. We will meet in Machynlleth town centre at 1 pm (venue TBC) on the 31<sup>st</sup> August to walk/catch a taxi to our campsite.

To book a place, please register on the BSA website. The registration cost is £15 for BSA members and £25 for non-members. This will contribute to the cost of tent pitches, an evening meal on the 31<sup>st</sup> September and breakfast on the 1<sup>st</sup> August. Please bring your own tent and camping gear and be prepared to bring your own or buy lunch on the 1<sup>st</sup> August.

If you would like to join us only on the 1<sup>st</sup> September, then please feel free to do so. Email [paddockjr@cardiff.ac.uk](mailto:paddockjr@cardiff.ac.uk) to arrange.

### **Provisional Outline of Activities**

#### **31<sup>st</sup> August**

13.00 - Meet in Machynlleth (venue to be confirmed)

13.00-15.00 - Get to campsite, set up

15.00-18.00 - Out for a walk

18.00 - Campfire and barbecue (covered by BSA)

#### **1<sup>st</sup> September**

9.00 – Breakfast (covered by BSA)

11.00 - Roundtable discussion at CAT with ZCB team

13.00 – Lunch at CAT (at our own cost, so please feel free to bring your own)

14.00 - Concluding thoughts and comments

15.00 - Close

## Preparation

Come prepared to talk for 5 minutes on your research interests in a very informal manner (around a campfire). To prepare for the roundtable, please read the following reports and think of how your work has something to say on any element of these:

- 'Zero Carbon Britain – A New Energy Strategy' available at <http://www.zerocarbonbritain.org/>
- 'Common Cause: The Case for Working With Our Cultural Values' available at: [http://www.wwf.org.uk/wwf\\_articles.cfm?unewsid=4224](http://www.wwf.org.uk/wwf_articles.cfm?unewsid=4224)
- 'Sustainable Energy Without the Hot Air' available at <http://www.withouthotair.com/>

## Outline programme

<b>DATE</b>	
13.00	Arrive at Machynlleth town centre (meeting point to be confirmed)
13.00-14.00	Set up tents, picnic lunch
14.30-17.00	Out for a walk - discuss our research
18.00 onwards	Campfire and barbecue – discuss ZCB ready for roundtable
<b>DATE</b>	
09.00	Breakfast and pack up
11.00	Roundtable at CAT
13.00	Lunch – concluding thoughts
14.00	Close