

**ANNUAL RESEARCH SEMINAR
SATURDAY 25TH FEBRUARY 2012**

Venue: Slapton Village Hall
Chair: Dr David Stradling, WWCT

To register please call 01548-580685 or email reserve.sl@field-studies-council.org

9.30 *Arrival and coffee*

10.00 *Welcome and introduction - **Andy Pratt (Head of Centre)***

Session 1

10.10 *Constant effort bird ringing – Slapton Ley pilot project 2011*

Nik Ward, Slapton Bird Observatory

10.30 *The River Harbourne flood alleviation scheme: an evaluation of its professed status as 'the future of flood defence schemes'*

Kayleigh Wyatt, Nottingham University

10.50 *Potential changes to habitats and species adaptation in the event of a breach in Slapton Line.*

Clare Morris, Slapton Line Partnership

11.10 *Coffee*

Session 2

11.30 *The swallow roost at Slapton Ley NNR - Is it in decline?*

Dennis Elphick, Devon Bird Watching & Preservation Society

11.50 *The role of student-authored podcasts in fieldwork learning*

Dr Chris Ribchester, Dr Ruth Healey and Prof Derek France, Chester University

12.10 *Discussion*

12.30 *Lunch*

Session 3

13.30 *An examination of community perceptions of coastal change around the Slapton Line*

Dr Tim Kurz & Prof Patrick Devine-Wright, Exeter University

13.50 *OPAL water survey results: national, regional and Slapton Ley*

Prof Neil Rose, University College London

14.10 *Re-establishment of the Large Blue butterfly in south-west Britain*

Adrian Spalding, Joint Committee for the Reestablishment of the Large Blue Butterfly

14.30 *Discussion*

15.00 *Close*

