The ecology and management of deer in wooded landscapes

BES/DI Workshop - Final time table 20th May 2009

09.00am – 09.30am - Registration. Coffee/tea.

09.30am – 10.10am - Welcome & Introduction.

10.10am – 11.10am - Presentations: Impact of deer on woodlands and options for management.

- ➢ 10.10 – 10.30 Relationships between deer densities and their impacts *R. Gill – Forestry Commission*

- ➢ 10.30 – 10.50 Deer impacts on SSSIs – what is the problem and can we solve it? *E. Goldberg - Natural England*

- ➢ 10.50 – 11.10 Impacts and management of deer on MoD estates *R. Rowe & O. Howells - Ministry of Defence*

11.10-11.30 - Coffee/tea

11.30am – 12.30am - Presentations: Effect of landscape structure on deer and opportunities for deer management regimes at a landscape scale.

- ➢ 11.30–11.50 Landscape scale habitat use by sika deer. *A. Uzal, A. Diaz, R. Stillman, S. Walls - Bournemouth University*

- ➢ Responses to landscape scale deer management. *P. Dolman, University East Anglia*

- ➢ 12.10–12.30 Collaborative deer management: perspectives from the Relu project *N. Dandy - Macaulay Institute*

12.30 pm – 2.15 pm - Lunch, field trip and discussion session within the three field trip groups.

The three field trips will be led by National Trust staff and will each address one of the workshop's central themes as detailed below. For each theme the group will generate a bullet point list of aspects that are already well understood and of aspects that we still need to understand better.

- • Theme 1 – Impacts of deer and methods for management and restoration of woods experiencing high densities of deer. Field trip to **King's Wood**.

- • Theme 2 - Effect of landscape structure on deer distribution and their impacts on woods and other habitats. Field trip to **Pipley Woods**.

- • Theme 3 - Challenges and opportunities of establishing deer management regimes at a landscape scale. Field trip to **Knowl Hill**.

2.15pm – 3pm - Discussion Session – Open discussion across all three themes addressed by each field trip group. The aim will be to discuss and add to the bullet point lists generated for each theme.

3.pm – 3.30pm - Coffee/tea & Concluding Session: - What do we understand already, what do we still need to understand and how can we work collaboratively to achieve this new understanding?