

Ash Dieback: are you ready? online training event 26 February 2021, 10.00am

Introduction

This training event was one of a series organised by the Community Woodlands Association between January and March 2021. Ash Dieback is a widespread, highly destructive fungal disease that affects European Ash. It causes leaf loss and canopy decline. Over time the disease may kill the tree, or provide opportunities for often opportunistic disease-causing organisms, such as honey fungus. Dead and dying trees can pose severe risks along footpaths and at road edges, as dead and dying trees and branches may become brittle and fall. Jon Stokes (Director of Trees, Science and Research for the Tree Council) gave a presentation to discuss how to deal with the problems of ash dieback and the management options for woodlands affected by it. The event was an opportunity to find out how to identify and assess the condition of ash trees and consider management options in community woodlands.

Presentation

Delegates	Organisation (where known)
Jon Stokes	Tree Council
Amanda Calvert	CWA
James Davidson	Aberdeen Council
Gemma Jennings	Urban Roots
David Glass	Dunnet Forestry Trust
Nick Marshall	Duddingston Field Group
Clare Russell	Dartford Council
Steven Gray	Aberdeen Council
Lucy Cooke	Kinlochleven Community Trust
Elspeth Coutts	West Stormont Woodland Group
Andrea Fisher	Children's Wood, Glasgow
Amos Higgins	Cambusbarron Community Development Trust
Isobel Knox	Dunbar Community Woodland Group
Jamie Sims	
Michael Scullin	Scalpay, Lewis
Hugh Clarke	Argyll & the Isles Coast & Countryside Trust
Dominic Marjoram	
Paul Comacchio	Newton Stewart
Casey-Jo Zammit	Isle of Gigha
Fiona Chalmers	Future Woodlands Scotland
Mike Steele	Nith Valley LEAF Trust

Jon's presentation is available at: https://youtu.be/Ugul0Ae8f50