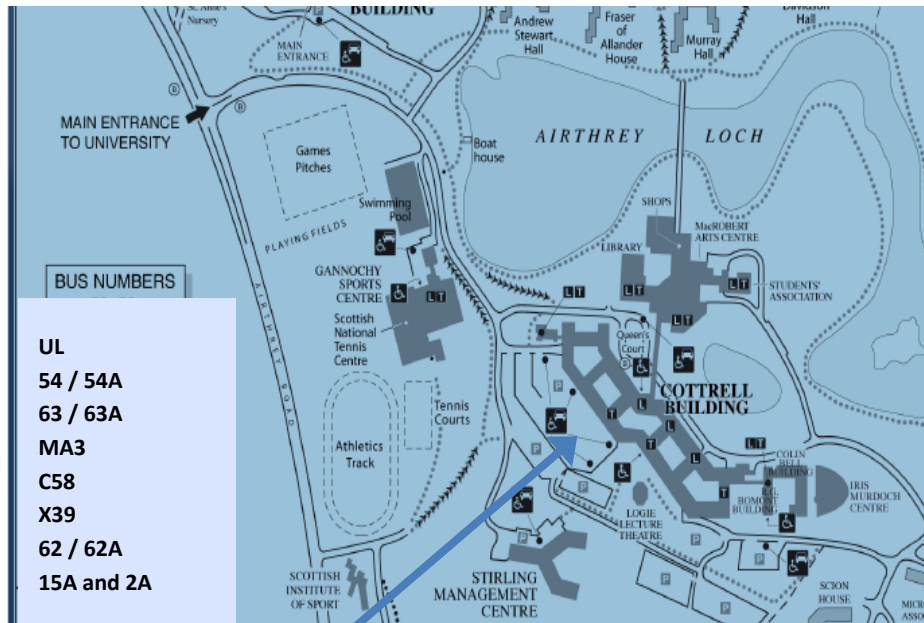


## What is the Conference about?

This year, *FNH* is linking with the *Friends of the Ochils* in presenting a conference in celebration not only of the Ochil Hills but also the *Friends of the Ochils* on their 25th anniversary of the founding of the charity. The Ochils are a distinctive landmark in both the Forth Valley and Strathearn, signalling 'home' as they come into view. They stand apart from the Highlands, geologically and historically, an upland landscape that is more intimate than the mountains to north and west, a special place. The conference will explore what makes them special, from aspects of their historical evolution, how they continue to be used, to how they might best be used and managed in the 21<sup>st</sup> century.

## Where is the conference held?

Stirling University campus has free parking and excellent bus services from Stirling town centre and the railway station. Main venue is the Cottrell Building - enter from car park opposite Logie lecture theatre or via Queens Court and follow signposting.



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## The Ochils - A Special Place

Stirling University  
Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> November 2018

**The Ochils - A Special Place  
Lecture Theatre Cottrell A3, Stirling University**

9:00 – 10:00 Registration – Cottrell Lecture Theatre A3 Foyer  
9:30 – 10:00 Displays & Book Sales  
10.00 Welcome (Richard Tipping: FNH Conference Convenor)  
10.05 Introduction to the Day (Stuart Dean, Friends of the Ochils)  
10.10: A Special Place (Drew Jamieson, Friends of the Ochils)

**Session 1: What Makes the Ochils Special ? The Historic Landscape (Chair: Richard Tipping)**

10.30 Dumyat, Forteviot and Pictland (Murray Cook, Stirling Region Archaeologist)  
10.55 The Hillfoots and the Industrial Revolution (Susan Mills)  
11.20 - 11.45 Refreshments, Displays & Book Sales  
11.45 Old Woodlands and New Forests (John Gallacher, Ecologist, UPM Tilhill Forestry)  
12.10 Field Systems, Cultural Soils and New Forests at Jerah  
(Clare Wilson, University of Stirling)  
12.35 Discussion  
12.45 Annual General Meeting (FNH Chair)  
12.55 Launch of FNH Journal Volume 41 (Murray Dickie: FNH Journal Editor)  
13.00 – 14.00 Lunch

**Session 2: What Makes the Ochils Special ? Traces of the Natural World (Chair: Stuart Dean)**

14.00 Welcome Back and Introduction (Stuart Dean: Friends of the Ochils)  
14.10 Plant Habitats and Challenges in the Ochil Hills (Alistair Godfrey & Liz Lavery)  
14.35 Habitat Change and Bird Life in the Ochils (David Jarrett, British Trust for Ornithology)  
15.00 - 15.25 Refreshments, Displays & Book Sales

**Session 3: Ways forward**

15:25 Flood Risk and Natural Flood Management of the Uplands (Heather Forbes, SEPA)  
15.50 Enjoying the Ochils: recreation and inspiration (Bob Aitken, independent)  
16.15 Coming together: Fragmented Responsibilities and Community Partnerships  
(Paul Roberts, SNH)  
16.40 Discussion  
16.55 – 17.00 Conclusion and Thanks: Conference Ends

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