

Conserving geodiversity in a changing climate

Theme 4 Conserving and managing our geodiversity

Objective 7 To maintain and enhance our geodiversity through the management of sites, areas and wider landscapes.

The successful and thought provoking seminar convened by the Geoconservation Commission of the Geological Society of London and the UK Conservation Agencies on 'Conserving Geodiversity in a Changing Climate' was held at the University of Chester in June 2009. Organisations from across the UK met to discuss the shared principles needed for conserving geodiversity in a changing climate – what are the threats to geodiversity from climate change and how do we adapt?

This has led to a raised awareness of the importance of and need for adaptive management for geodiversity. The research has continued and a paper [Conserving Geodiversity Sites in a Changing Climate: Management Challenges and Responses](#) outlining the key findings has been published. There is also a continued commitment for joint working across the UK conservation agencies.

This was the first UK-wide initiative to be endorsed by the UKGAP.