

**Geoparks Ireland Forum
3rd meeting**

AGENDA

The Burren, Ennistymon, Co. Clare, Tuesday 20th October 2009

Afternoon (Orchard Suite, Falls Hotel, Ennistymon)

14.00 **Arrival at the Falls Hotel**

14.15 – 14.30 **Opening (Dr Pat O'Connor, GSI)**

14.30 – 15.50 **Oral presentations (chair: Dr Patrick McKeever, GSNI)**

14.30 – 14.50 The Burren and Cliffs of Moher: a future Geopark? Ms Carol Gleeson
and Dr Ronán Hennessy

14.50 – 15.10 The Joyce Country, Ms Trish Walsh

15.10 – 15.30 The Cooley-Gullion-Mourne Region, Mr Brendan McSherry

15.30 – 15.50 **Tea & Coffee**

15.50 – 16.50 **Oral presentations (chair: Dr Pat O'Connor, GSI)**

15.50 – 16.10 Cherishing Our Heritage: special events at the Marble Arch Caves Global
Geopark, Dr Kirstin Lemon

16.10 – 16.30 The Copper Coast Global Geopark, an update, Dr Mike Sweeney and
Ms Tina Keating

16.30 – 16.50 UNESCO Global Network of National Geoparks, Dr Patrick McKeever

16.50 – 17.30 **Discussion, (chair: Dr Patrick McKeever, GSNI)
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19.00 **Dinner at the Falls Hotel**

Overnight at Falls Hotel

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Morning

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| 7.30 – 8.30 | Breakfast at Falls Hotel |
| 9.00 | Bus departs Falls Hotel for fieldtrip |
| 9.30 – 12.00 | Fieldtrip led by Dr Ronan Hennessy: Doolin Point to Poulcraveen: limestone pavement, littoral karst, and marine erosion, Fisherstreet: Limestone-shale contact and pyritised goniatites (time permitting) |
| 12.00 | Depart Doolin for the Cliffs of Moher |
| 12.30 – 13.30 | Lunch at the Cliffs of Moher Visitor Centre |
| 13.30 – 14.30 | Cliffs of Moher Visitor Centre Visit |
| 14.30 | Bus departs the Cliffs of Moher |
| 15.00 | Arrival at Falls Hotel and close of the Forum |