Steven Andrews



Steven Andrews has come to World Heritage from a background in research and teaching (University of Aberdeen, CASP [Cambridge], University of Exeter, University of the Highlands and Islands). Having spent extensive periods investigating the past environments of East Greenland and northern Scotland he developed an affinity with wild and beautiful landscapes and the need to preserve them for future generations. Growing up on the fringes of the Flow Country, the World Heritage project coordinator role which he took up in February 2021, has provided a great opportunity to raise awareness and help protect one of the very special environments that Norther Scotland contains.

Steven's presentation on 'The Flow Country: The UK's Next World Heritage Site and its Role in Fighting Climate Change' will introduce the site, where it is, what it is and why it's there? The importance of this very special ecosystem will then be considered with respect to the role it plays in the fight against climate change. In particular the threats to peatlands will be examined, alongside what we can do to restore damaged areas, and how we can monitor the health and recovery of these systems.