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## Using Quality Compost in Landscape and Regeneration

The Welsh Soils Discussion Group of the British Society of Soil Science, Institute of Professional Soil Scientists (IPSS) Wales Region and WRAP Cymru (Waste & Resources Action Programme in Wales) are hosting an important training event on the use of quality compost in landscape and regeneration which is FREE to Society Members and just £10 to non Members. The event takes place on **Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> March** at The Works, Ebbw Vale, in Blaenau Gwent and can be counted towards IPSS members' CPD.

Attendees will be introduced to the WRAP Good Practice Guide for the use of BSI PAS 100 Compost in Landscape and Regeneration. We will present the ecological, environmental and commercial benefits of on-site topsoil manufacture using site available materials, quality compost and other imported materials. The transformation of the former Ebbw Vale Steelworks will provide the case study and a visit to the site has been arranged immediately following the presentations.

Details of the event are as follows:

**Venue:** The Board Room, General Offices, Steelworks Road  
Ebbw Vale NP23 6PN

**Directions:** The Works is located off the A4046 on Steelworks Road, which connects to the A467 leading down to J28 of the M4. Trains from Cardiff Central to Ebbw Vale Parkway arrive 31 minutes past the hour and leave Ebbw Vale at 20 minutes to the hour

**Date:** Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> March 2012

**Programme:**

- 10:45 *Registration and Tea/Coffee*
- 11:15 Welcome and Introduction - *Dr Zoë Frogbrook, Environment Agency Wales*
- 11:30 The Works Ebbw Vale Regeneration Project – *Richard Crook*
- 12:00 WRAP Good Practice Guide – *Lance Jones, WRAP Cymru*
- 12:30 Soil design at Ebbw Vale – *Dr Nigel Bending*
- 13:00 *Lunch (tea/coffee will be provided but please bring your own lunch)*
- 13:30 Site visit commences (*car share may be necessary*)
- 14:45 Return to The Board Room for closing discussion
- 15:15 Event concludes

**Attendance for Members' is free (non-Members £10.00) but booking is essential.**

Please register at <http://www.soils.org.uk/event/12/booknow/0> Places are limited and will be allocated on a first come, first served basis. Please wear sturdy shoes and bring a hi-viz vest for the site walk.

We look forward to seeing you.

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