

## Seminar

# Woodland Creation: Growing For The Market

26<sup>th</sup> April 2018

Hexham Auction Mart

The Forestry Commission and the Roots to Prosperity partnership are delighted to be staging this seminar on the morning of 28 February 2018 at Hexham Auction Mart, Hexham starting at 10am and finishing at 1pm with lunch.

Future local and global demand for timber is predicted to rise, yet very little productive woodland has been planted in England over the last 30 years. But things are beginning to change..... In the last few months we are starting to see a renaissance in woodland planting as enlightened investors and owners are beginning to plant again.

This seminar will showcase two of these pioneer woodland creation schemes providing a unique opportunity for learning: Andy Howard will provide an update on the 350ha scheme at Doddington North Moor scheme and Dave Atkinson will tell us about his experience with Liberty Hill. Other speakers include:

- Scottish Agricultural Colleges, authors of the influential Eskdalemuir report, will provide the facts on the economics of agriculture versus forestry
- James Jones, sawmillers will describe current and future markets
- Kate Hawley, FC, will describe the grants available
- Richard Pow, FC, will talk about the regulatory environment.

This Seminar is free of charge and lunch is included but places are limited. To reserve a place please email [yorkshirenortheast@forestry.gsi.gov.uk](mailto:yorkshirenortheast@forestry.gsi.gov.uk) by 13<sup>th</sup> April, noting any dietary requirements.