

# Positive money supporter retreat 2016

## Why are we going away?

For the last two years Positive Money has organised a weekend away in the Lake District for staff and supporters. Over the course of the weekend there will be workshops and activities tackling big questions around how to build the Positive Money campaign and create a healthy, resilient and growing network. This weekend is a great way to feed your ideas into the Positive Money campaign, get to know other Positive Money supporters, staff and directors, discuss ideas - and get out into the country side!

The core aims of the weekend are to:

- Build trusting relationships across Positive Money
- Develop Positive Money leaders across the UK
- Build power and momentum within the Positive Money network
- Have some time for reflection on self, on Positive Money, on the wider context

This will be a fun, relaxed and informative weekend that will provide an opportunity for us to get to know one another, exchange ideas and build a shared vision for the future of Positive Money.

## Who will be there?

Members of the Positive Money team and the board of Directors along with approximately 25 active Positive Money supporters from across the country. This weekend is for people who want to play an active role in building the Positive Money campaign and keen to take a leadership role within the network. Attendees from the supporter retreat 2014 are not eligible to apply.

## Where and when is it taking place?

The weekend is being hosted at the [University of Cumbria](#), in Ambleside, The Lake District. The workshops will mainly take place in the Institute for Leadership and Sustainability, Charlotte Mason Building, University of Cumbria, Rydal Road, Ambleside, Cumbria LA22 9BB.

We are asking attendees to arrive into Ambleside at around **2.30pm on Friday 9<sup>th</sup> September**. The weekend will draw to a close at **3pm on Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> September**.

We will have a welcome session on Friday afternoon and dinner together in the evening. Throughout Saturday and for first part of the day on Sunday there will be workshops and activities.

We will also ensure that there is also time to take in the beautiful countryside and get lots of fresh air.

## How much will the weekend cost?

The retreat is **FREE** to active Positive Money supporters. However, you will be expected to cover travel, accommodation and refreshment costs over the weekend.

We have **approximated** that the weekend will cost £200 on the basis of the following expenses:

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- Accommodation £50
- Travel £50
- Dinner on both nights £50
- Taxi £10 (this will be less if people share taxis and we will endeavour to organise lift shares)
- Lunch and snacks over the weekend £40

**This is an approximate amount.** The cost of the weekend will depend on where you are travelling from, if you are able to travel in a group, if you opt to eat out - and the amount of food/drink you consume! The on-campus accommodations have a kitchen.

## Where will we stay?

There are cottages available on the University campus. Rates are below.

<b>Bedroom Rates (per room per night)</b> Single bedrooms, with shared kitchen facilities, inc linen and towels	<b>£25.00</b>
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There are also several backpacker hostels in the village of Ambleside, such as [Ambleside Hostel](#).

## How do we get there?

Ambleside is in the county of Cumbria, in the centre of the Lake District National Park. The closest stations are Windermere and Oxenholme.

Ambleside is:

- 4 hours by train to Windermere from London Euston (via Oxenholme)
- 2½ hours by road from Glasgow/Edinburgh
- 2 hours by road from Manchester, also train connection to Windermere from Manchester Airport
- 20 miles by road from M6 Motorway (junction 36)

Oxenholme is on the main line from London. There are connecting trains from Oxenholme to Windermere, a taxi from Windermere costs £12. If people are arriving at a similar time we will organise taxis from the train station to the hostel. Or you can get the 555 bus - or cycle!

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