

AGENDA ITEM No. 2

MINUTES

Meeting: Urgent Business Items Sub-Committee

Date: 12.30 pm 2 March 2001

Venue: Aldern House, Baslow Road, Bakewell, Derbyshire.

Chair: Cllr G M Doughty

Present: Mr G R Adams, Cllr T Bagshaw, Mr A Brown, Mrs L Crowe, Mr A D Hams,
Mrs T Heathcote, Cllr J M T Sutcliffe, Cllr Mrs A Western.

Apologies for Absence: Cllr J A Bull

REPORT OF THE ASSISTANT NATIONAL PARK OFFICER – HEAD OF CONSERVATION

16/00 FOOT AND MOUTH DISEASE (A.5601/JJL)

Members considered the report of the Assistant National Park Officer, Head of Conservation, a copy of which is attached, and agreed the recommendations.

RESOLVED:

1. To confirm the actions taken by the Authority in relation to closures and other matters arising from the outbreak of Foot and Mouth Disease.
2. With respect to the outbreak of Foot and Mouth Disease, it is proposed that staff prepare:
 - (i) Advice on what additional action would have to be taken if a suspected or confirmed case occurs in or close to the National Park.
 - (ii) Detailed estimates of the likely implications on the financial and staff resources of the Authority.
3. That the Authority in conjunction with the Association of National Park Authorities should consider how to help to ensure that the economic implications of the continuing outbreak on rural areas is addressed by Government and that that debate should consider the overall direction for the future of the agricultural industry.
4. That authority be delegated to Assistant National Park Officer - Head of Conservation, in consultation with the Chair of the Authority, to take executive action as necessary and to report action to the next meeting of this Committee.
5. That the Authority commends the work done by staff and expresses its confidence in the ability of Officers to cope with this crisis.

Meeting ended at 12.45 pm