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AGENDA ITEM No.

MINUTES

Meeting: Urgent Business Items Sub-Committee

Date: 20 December 2002 9.30 am

Venue: Aldern House, Baslow Road, Bakewell, Derbyshire

Chair: Mr A D Hams

<u>Present</u>: Mr A Brown, Mrs L Crowe, Clr G M Doughty, Mrs T Heathcote,

Clr J M T Sutcliffe, Clr D B Taylor

Apologies for Absence: Mr G R Adams, Clr T Bagshaw, Clr J A Bull,

12/02 URGENT BUSINESS

The Chair agreed to a report from the Assistant National Park Officer-Head of Conservation being tabled for consideration as an exempt item.

13/02 EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC

RESOLVED:

That the public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following item to avoid the disclosure of exempt information under Section 1000 (A) (4) Local Government Act 1972 Schedule 12 A paragraph 7 "Information relating to financial and business affairs".

REPORT OF THE ASSISTANT NATIONAL PARK OFFICER – HEAD OF CONSERVATION PART B URGENT BUSINESS

14/02 STATE AID APPROVAL FOR PAYMENTS TO LAND MANAGERS (A.5689/JJL)

The Head of Conservation reported upon recent guidance received from the Department of Food and Rural Affairs (DERFRA) on the continuation of payments to land managers under the Authority's current schemes.

RESOLVED:

- 1. That the interim arrangements for making payments to land managers under Farm Conservation Agreements, Farm Management Agreements and Access agreements as set out in paragraph 1.9 of the report be continued.
- 2. That a further report be made to Members on all payments once clarification of the appropriateness of negotiating new agreements has been obtained.

REPORT OF THE ASSISTANT NATIONAL PARK OFFICER - HEAD OF CONSERVATION

15/02 THE NEW ENVIRONMENTAL ECONOMY PROGRAMME - APPROVAL OF PROJECTS (A.92748/KJP)

The Sub-Committee were requested to approve three project applications where the level of grant sought exceeds £8,000. The expenditure, although incurred by the Authority initially, will be reimbursed by ERDF.

RESOLVED:

That grant aid be offered to the projects described in the report.

- (i) Peak District Honey. 50% grant up to a maximum £13,581.97.
- (ii) Peak Woodland Creations Ltd. 40% grant up to a maximum £20,000.00.
- (iii) Peak Recyclers. 50% grant up to a maximum of £9,494.25.

All grants to be subject to the standard conditions of the NEE Programme.

Meeting ended 10.00 am.