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AMENDED SUPPLEMENT TO AGENDA ITEMS 2 AND 10



Meeting: **National Park Authority**

Date: **Friday 5 July 2019**

Time: **10.00 am**

Venue: **The Board Room, Aldern House, Baslow Road, Bakewell**

SARAH FOWLER
CHIEF EXECUTIVE

AGENDA

1. 2019 Statements Received for positions of Chair and Deputy Chair of the Authority (*Pages 5 - 8*)
2. 2019 Statements for Positions of Chairs and Vice Chairs of Committees (*Pages 9 - 12*)
3. 2019 Statements for Positions of Member Representatives and Outside Body Appointments (*Pages 13 - 16*)

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To: Members of National Park Authority:

Chair: Cllr A McCloy
Vice Chair:

Cllr D Chapman
Cllr J Atkin
Mr J W Berresford
Cllr P Brady
Cllr M Chaplin
Cllr C Furness
Cllr A Hart
Mr R Helliwell
Cllr B Lewis
Cllr C McLaren

Mr P Ancell
Cllr W Armitage
Cllr D Birkinshaw
Cllr C Carr
Cllr C Farrell
Mr Z Hamid
Cllr Mrs G Heath
Cllr I Huddleston
Mr J Macrae
Cllr Mrs K Potter

Cllr Mrs L C Roberts
Cllr R Walker
Cllr B Woods

Mr K Smith
Cllr G D Wharmby

Other invited Members: (May speak but not vote)

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Natural England

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Agenda Item 2

2019 Statements Received for Positions of Chair and Deputy Chair of the Authority**Chair of Authority:**

Cllr Andrew McCloy

I am standing as Chair of the Authority for a second term and with your support I will continue my approach that is based on fairness, openness and valuing the contribution of every member. In return I expect that all members will work together for the good of the National Park and show the necessary collaboration and commitment to make it happen. A good example of this has been the work of the member-led Governance Review working group over the last year, which has helped further improve the role and contribution of members and the effective functioning of the Authority. I look forward to carrying on with this positive and reforming agenda.

The National Park Authority will face a number of challenges in the year ahead, not least from the ongoing uncertainty over Brexit and its potential impact on farming and land management in the National Park. Julian Glover's review of National Parks and AONBs is due to report in the autumn and we will respond constructively to its findings. But regardless of what the report might say, as Chair I intend to ensure that the National Park Authority makes progress in a number of key areas, including:

- a renewed focus on providing local needs affordable housing across our resident communities, showing more urgency and imagination in its delivery
- more encouragement for landowners to sustainably manage moorlands that are healthy and biodiversity-rich, including putting more pressure on those that are not responding
- identify ways for the National Park to better connect with external and culturally diverse audiences, especially from our neighbouring cities
- begin a serious, joined-up conversation about the role of transport in the National Park and in particular explore ways to influence more sustainable visitor travel

However, one area in particular that I will continue to personally focus on is climate change. It is of such fundamental consequence for us all - especially protected areas like National Parks - that it will ultimately impact on everything we do. There has to be a cultural shift across the whole of the National Park Authority so that we face up to the implications for the National Park and adapt accordingly; but at the same time also develop a wide-ranging suite of mitigation measures that are informed, ambitious and in step with our many and diverse partners. If we get our approach to tackling climate change right it will deliver for the landscape and biodiversity, as well as the long term resilience of our communities. It is for us as Authority members to start showing real political leadership over climate change and to start doing it now.

Deputy Chair of Authority:

Cllr David Chapman

For the past four years I have been the Deputy Chair of this Authority.

During that time I have gathered a wealth of experience in many aspects concerning the management of this Park of which I consider the holder of this position must be in possession and my involvement has been, amongst others:

Attendance at both Planning and ARP committees, Chair of the Land Managers Forum and Moors for the Future Partnership, member for Europarc and the National Park Management Advisory Group and member representative for Enforcement.

I consider my role to be particularly important from the situation of support for the Chair and also in sharing the weight of responsibility which the holder of that office must take in the running of this organisation which manifests itself not only locally but on a national scale where I have established contacts and friendships with Chairs and Chief Executives of all other UK National Parks, thus enabling me to seamlessly step in to meetings and commitments when our Chair is unable to attend.

I can be confident in stating that both Chairs with whom I have had the privilege of being Deputy have found my support and assistance of considerable value in sharing what is, particularly during recent times, a heavy work load.

Although a large part of the remit of this position is as back up for the Chair I am also very aware that this support must also extend to fellow members and just as importantly to our officers and I consider that I always have and always will take this responsibility very seriously.

I sincerely wish to be allowed by you, my fellow members, to continue the privilege of being the Deputy Chair of this Authority which, if elected, I will carry out with the passion and pride which our National Park deserves.

Cllr Chris Furness

Dave has done well as Deputy Chair over the last 4 years, but I feel that the principle of a 4-year maximum tenure for senior positions should be adhered to.

It is very important for the Deputy to support and work well with the Chairman. Andrew and I have similar views and ambitions for the future of the PDNPA and I look forward to working with him to achieve our goals. I have been a Board Member since 2003 (except for a 4-year gap) and have never been so optimistic about its future as I am now.

The post of Deputy Chair does have kudos and I intend to use that to further an initiative which I know Andrew also supports. One of the projects we are working on together is the creation of a Peak District National Park Community Land Trust (PDNPCLT), to acquire land for new affordable housing in communities where there is established local need. This is a model which we have already successfully tried and tested in our home villages of Bradwell

and Youlgrave. We would now like to expand this model to all PDNP communities and Brian Taylor is looking into the practicalities of a PDNPCLT, facilitated by the Authority.

Members who have known me for some time are aware of my concern for our communities within the Park. The cost of houses and the shortage of affordable rented housing is forcing many of our young people and young families out of the Park. They will probably do well wherever they go, but the communities they leave behind suffer from their loss when their dwellings become holiday lets or second homes. The village schools are the indicators of this trend. In Castleton, where only 40% of houses are now residential, I'm told the school population has fallen from around 50 in the 1980s to just 9 now. Eyam school has a similar history with only 10 pupils now.

This problem may not be solvable by simply building new affordable houses. Sometimes it is too immediate for that. Last year I was contacted by a resident whose landlord had told him to look for somewhere else to live as he wanted to sell the house. I later discovered that the landlord was selling twelve tenanted houses, eight of which were short term. If they all had to leave Bradwell it would have a serious impact on school numbers and the economy generally. Over the past year, I have been working with Bradwell CLT (as a Director) to try to purchase these houses to retain them as affordable rented dwellings for local needs in perpetuity. I am pleased to say we have managed to put together a grants and loan package of over £2 million to allow us to acquire these houses and retain the current tenants within the village. I am hopeful that completion will take place later this month.

I am currently Chair of the Communities and Environment Committee at Derbyshire Dales and Chair of the Scrutiny Committee at Sheffield City Region.

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Agenda Item 10

2019 Statements Received for Positions of Chairs and Vice Chairs of Committees**Chair of Programmes and Resources Committee:**

Mr Zahid Hamid

I would like to be considered for the position of Chair of the Authority's new Programmes and Resources Committee for the 2019/20 term.

I have served as a member of this Authority and the previous Audit, Resources and Performance Committee for 6 years since I was appointed a Secretary of State Representative and have taken on additional roles in that time including;

- Lead member for work to engage young people to the Park
- Joint lead for work with Communities
- Member appointments panel
- Due Diligence panel
- Local Joint Committee
- Promoting and Understanding
- Stanage Forum Steering Group
- Charity working group
- Peak District Local Nature Partnership
- Peak District Inspiring Generations Partnership

I feel privileged to be on the Authority and support ongoing work where I can make a positive contribution in developments such as Mosaic, South West Peak, National Park Management Plan and the new PDNP Foundation charity.

Having been elected last year by Members to Chair ARP I would offer my services to help in the smooth transition to the new P&R Committee having the analytical and critical skills and experience required to be a diligent Chair acting in the best interests of the Authority and the National Park. If appointed I would continue to work constructively and diplomatically with Members, staff and the public. Outside of the Authority, I have experience of chairing committees and Boards for over 20 years.

Vice Chair of Programmes and Resources Committee:

Mr James Berresford

I wish to put myself forward for the position of Vice Chair of the newly formed Programmes and Resources Committee, formerly known as the Audit, Resources and Performance Committee.

I believe I would provide much needed consistency as the new committee metamorphoses from its former self. I also feel that the experience I have gained whilst serving on the Governance Review Working Group would help firm up the working practices of the committee as it embraces the new areas of focus as identified by the working group. Similarly, my background in tourism would allow me to input directly into the tourism and engagement policies of the authority. It is anticipated that these will be amongst the principal considerations of the new committee.

I am also keen to represent the authority, once again on the Marketing Peak District and Derbyshire Local Authority Investor Group. It makes sense to me, to provide a strong voice on this representative body, particularly as the Government have given a new priority to tourism in the light of its recently announced Tourism Sector Deal. It would also be my intention to ensure that the authority gets the best value it can for its subscription to this outside body.

Finally, I would welcome the opportunity of continuing my input into the on-going work of the Governance Review Working Group.

Chair of Planning Committee:

Mr Robert Helliwell

The Peak District National Park Authority is the sole planning authority for land and property within the Peak District National Park. As a planning authority, our role is to control and influence the development of land and buildings within the national park's boundaries. While this is often seen as an obstacle to development, there is a need to look after the special landscape and features that make up the Peak District National Park. There is a need to balance the statutory duties and purposes of the national park, safeguarding the natural environment and existing built heritage, whilst taking into account the needs of individuals, communities, local businesses and the local economy.

I have been on the Planning Committee for four years and have gained a great insight into how the system works. There are always challenges which have to be weighed against policy, but also a degree of common sense approach has to be considered.

As a member living and working in the National Park I have a good knowledge of the geography of the park, knowledge of the biggest business sector in the park - farming, and have been involved with rural businesses and communities within the park for many years. More recently I was involved in the revisions to the Development Management document. Planning meetings can seem daunting to members of the public. I would hope to continue businesses openly, democratically and efficiently.

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2019 Statements Received for Positions of Member Representative**Member Representative for Connecting Young People and Nature:**

Mr Zahid Hamid

This flourishing area of work enables the Authority to remain connected with and relevant to future custodians of the National Park, with a successful schools engagement programme, the reinvigoration of the Youth Rangers model and work with other partners. I would wish to continue to support this great work as the Member Rep and use my links to other possible new audiences.

Member Representative for Landscape and Heritage:

Mr Ken Smith

I wish to put myself forward for this position for two reasons. Firstly, to fulfil the remit of my appointment by the Secretary of State to promote sustainable conservation of Peak District landscapes; secondly, and equally, to promote maintenance and enhancement of the cultural heritage of the National Park, a remit identified by the NPA at the time of my appointment.

While I have only been a Member for just under a year, I have 34 years of experience of managing the cultural heritage of the National Park – the “cultural landscapes” referred to in Para 2.1 of the ENPA report (Appendix 1, Agenda Item 8) – as an officer of the Authority.

Nationally, I have contributed advice and guidance to Historic England as a member of its statutory advisory committee for 6 years to 2015; similarly for the National Trust as a member of its Archaeology Panel for 15 years, to 2014 (I am currently assisting the Trust in development of its Archaeology Strategy); I worked with colleagues from HE and NE in securing the historic environment provision in the first Countryside Stewardship agri-environment scheme, in the subsequent Environmental Stewardship, and at the start of development of the current Countryside Stewardship scheme. I am a Trustee and Chair of Trustees of the Council for British Archaeology, a national educational and archaeological charity that focuses particularly on communities and young people.

I believe that my skills, experience and expertise would benefit this Member Representative role, in addition to the position I seek to maintain on Planning Committee, and would enable me to assist the Authority further to achieve the maintenance and enhancement of the cultural landscapes of the National Park, and their component sites and historic buildings and settlements, amidst the competing demands of issues such as housing provision, job creation, climate change, communities, health and well-being, tourism, diversity and the natural environment. It is these cultural landscapes after all, viewed by so many as just scenery, that contribute so much to the £1.5 billion annual tourism income to the local economy.

I am also seeking to represent Landscape and Heritage on the Local Plan Steering Group, where I believe my experience of plan development and implementation (and cultural heritage) would be beneficial.

Finally, I would welcome the opportunity to continue my input to the work of the Governance Review Working Group.

2019 Appointments to and Reports Received from Outside Body Appointed Representatives

Mr James Berresford

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Mr Zahid Hamid

Peak District National Youth Forum

Still in a development phase and attempting to engage young people to have a voice and dialogue with the Authority. I am happy to continue to be the link with this development as it compliments my Member Rep role (if appointed)

Mr Zahid Hamid

Peak District National Park Foundations

I would wish to continue to be one of the three Member appointed Trustees/Directors of this new fundraising charity in its early and critical development. As a member involved from the earliest thinking about this development, myself and the other two Authority Members offer continuity and stability to the new Independent Trustees.

Mr Zahid Hamid

Stanage Forum Steering Group

Much work has been done by staff and Members to positively support and engage with the Steering Group and wider Forum. I would like to continue my role here especially as we look to the future development of the Authority's North Lees Estate.

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