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AGENDA ITEM No. 2

MINUTES

Meeting: National Park Authority Special Meeting

Date: 31st July 2009 at 10.00am

Venue: Aldern House, Bakewell

Chair: Mr N Bajaria

Present: Mrs A Ashe, Clr T Bagshaw, Miss P Beswick, Clr Mrs J Bevan,

Mr R Clarke, Clr Mrs T Critchlow, Clr A Favell, Prof J Herbert, Ms S Leckie, Mr G Nickolds, Mr C Pennell (for Clr A Marchington),

Mrs K Potter, Mr R Priestley, Clr G Purdy, Mrs L C Roberts, Clr Mrs J A Twigg, Clr Mrs D Ward, Clr Mrs J Wharmby.

Apologies for absence: Mr C J Bowell, Mr C Carr, Ms P Coleman, Clr Mrs H M Gaddum,

Clr A Marchington, Clr Mrs M Stockdale, Clr Ms D Wilde.

59/09 CHAIR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Chair welcomed Ilaria Rigatti of the Parco Naturale Adamello Brenta, Northern Italy, who is seconded to the Authority for 3 weeks.

The Chair informed Members that there will be a Special Authority Meeting before Planning Committee on Friday 18 September 2009 to consider an application relating to Tearsall Quarry. This will take place at the Agricultural Business Centre in Bakewell. A site visit for all Members is scheduled for Thursday 17 September 2009.

60/09 URGENT BUSINESS

The Chair stated that one item of urgent business would be heard following Item 5.1 on the Agenda.

STRATEGY AND DEVELOPMENT

61/09 4.1 PEAK DISTRICT NATIONAL PARK LANDSCAPE STRATEGY AND ACTION PLAN (A.5912/JC)

The Head of Environment, Heritage and Recreation Strategy introduced the Plan. Jonathan Porter of CountryScape and the Authority's landscape architect, Garrie Tiedeman, then gave a joint presentation.

The Chair emphasised that the Plan is part of a range of strategies available to the Authority to implement the National Park Management Plan.

During the debate Members suggested some amendments to the text which officers undertook to include in the final version.

A motion to amend Recommendation 1 was moved, seconded and carried in the vote.

RESOLVED:

- 1. That the attached Landscape Strategy and Action Plan be approved as a framework for action to deliver a wide range of National Park outcomes particularly for natural beauty with partners.
- 2. That authority to make any changes arising from Members' comments be delegated to the Director for Strategy and Development in consultation with the Member Representative for Natural Beauty.
- 3. That the Authority, through the lead officer and Member Representative, works with lead partners to ensure their contributions to this Action Plan.
- 4. That the Strategy and Action plan informs the Authority's Corporate Priorities, with the level of contribution by the Authority to the Action Plan being annually determined through the Annual Performance and Business Planning process.
- 5. That the Authority notes that the process for monitoring the Action plan will be through the National Park Management Plan Annual Monitoring Reporting to Audit and Performance.

The Chair brought forward Item 5.1 to be followed by the urgent business Item 2.1.

CORPORATE RESOURCES

62/09 5.1 UPDATE TO THE MANAGING CHANGE POLICY (A.12/DU)

The meeting considered a report on updating the Managing Change Policy.

RESOLVED:

- 1. That the updated Managing Change Policy at appendix 1 in the report be approved
- 2. That the new policy takes immediate effect

URGENT BUSINESS - CORPORATE RESOURCES

63/09 2.1 AMENDMENT TO STANDING ORDERS (SO/RMM)

This report proposed changes to Standing Orders to increase the number of staff who can attest the sealing of legal documents.

RESOLVED:

1. That with effect from 3 August 2009 paragraph 1.32 of Part 1 of Standing orders be amended as detailed in the report to allow the Democratic Services Manager to attest the sealing of documents in the absence of the Chief Executive and Director of Corporate Resources.

STRATEGY AND DEVELOPMENT

64/09 4.2 NATURAL ENGLAND/PEAK DISTRICT NATIONAL PARK AUTHORITY LOCAL JOINT ACTION PLAN (A.9454/JC)

Mr C Pennell declared a personal interest as a Board Member of Natural England and took no part in the vote.

Prof Lynne Crowe (National Board Member) and Maddy Jago (Regional Director) of Natural England, gave their presentation and answered questions from Members.

RESOLVED:

- 1. That the Authority welcomes, approves, signs and supports the implementation of the 3 year Local Joint Action Plan between Natural England and the Authority shown at Appendix 1 in the report.
- 2. That the Authority delegates powers to the Chief Executive to approve any future changes and delegates review of progress to senior officers of both organisations on an annual basis to integrate with the business planning cycles of both organisations.
- 3. That a full review of the Local Joint Action Plan takes place in autumn 2011 with a view to continuing or modifying the agreement by July 2012.

The meeting adjourned at 12:50pm and reconvened at 1.20pm.

Chair: Mr N Bajaria

Present: Mrs A Ashe, Miss P Beswick, Mr R Clarke, Clr A Favell,

Prof J Herbert, Ms S Leckie, Mr G Nickolds,

Mr C Pennell (for Clr A Marchington), Mrs K Potter, Mr R Priestley,

Clr G Purdy, Mrs L C Roberts, Clr Mrs J A Twigg,

Clr Mrs J Wharmby.

STRATEGY AND DEVELOPMENT

65/09 4.3 PEAK DISTRICT NATIONAL PARK DRAFT RECREATION STRATEGY AND ACTION PLAN (A.702/JIM)

The Chair stated that following consultation on this draft document, the Member Representative will determine whether it should come back to committee.

RESOLVED:

- 1. That the Recreation Strategy and Action Plan attached as appendix 1 to the report be approved by the Authority as the framework for action to deliver National Park outcomes for recreation with partners.
- 2. That the Authority agrees that further comments from Members, partners and stakeholders on the draft document be addressed in the final version with authority delegated to the Director of Strategy & Development to make such changes in consultation with the Member Representative for Recreation.

- 3. That the Authority, through the lead officer and Member Representative, works with lead partners, user groups and facility providers to ensure their contributions to this final Action Plan.
- 4. That the final Strategy and Action Plan informs the Authority's Corporate Priorities, with the level of contribution by the Authority to the Action Plan being annually determined through the Annual Performance and Business Planning Process.
- 5. That the Authority notes that the process for monitoring the final Action Plan will be through the National Park Management Plan Annual Monitoring Reporting to Audit and Performance Committee.

The meeting finished at 2.05pm.