
MINUTES

Meeting: **Programmes and Resources Committee**

Date: Friday 4 October 2019 at 10.00 am

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

Chair: Mr Z Hamid

Present: Mr J W Berresford, Cllr C Farrell, Cllr C Furness, Dr J Haddock-Fraser, Cllr Mrs G Heath, Cllr A McCloy, Cllr C McLaren, Cllr P Tapping, Cllr R Walker, Mrs C Waller, Ms Y Witter and Cllr B Woods

Apologies for absence: Cllr B Lewis

1/19 URGENT BUSINESS

The Chair reported that there were no items of urgent business to consider.

2/19 MEMBERS' DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

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Cllr Andrew McCloy declared a personal interest as a member of the Ramblers Association.

3/19 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Eight members of the public were present to make representations to the Committee.

4/19 PROPOSED TRAFFIC REGULATION ORDER AT WETTON HILLS (A76228/SAS)

It was noted that some Members of the Committee had visited the site on the previous day.

Sue Smith, the Rights of Way Officer informed Members that a Section 56 notice had been served on Staffordshire County Council Highways, to reinstate the route. Works had taken place in September 2019 which were now substantially completed and a temporary TRO had been made by Staffordshire County Council to facilitate the works. Members now needed to consider whether these works had an effect on the decision taken in September 2018 to proceed to make a permanent traffic regulation order.

The Officer then went onto introduce the report and informed Members of 4 representations that had been received by the Authority since the report had been published, from Staffordshire County Council, GLASS, Trail Riders Fellowship and the National Trust, which she then went onto summarise.

The following spoke under the public participation at meetings scheme:

Andrew Sebire, Supporter
Andrew Whitehouse, Supporter
Anne Robinson, Friends of the Peak District
Alison Turner, Local Access Forum
Patricia Stubbs, Peak District Green Lanes Alliance
Susan Reiblein, Supporter
Martin Snowdin, Supporter
Phillipa Stupples, Supporter

Members considered that the repairs undertaken by Staffordshire County Council had not changed the character or fabric of the route and that the reason for making a permanent traffic regulation order had not changed. A permanent TRO was needed to preserve the amenity and conserve the natural beauty and character of the route which outweighed the needs of mechanically propelled vehicular users of the route notwithstanding that such a restriction would affect the expeditious and convenient use of the route by mechanically propelled vehicles.

The motion to proceed with the making of a permanent traffic regulation order was moved, seconded, voted on and carried.

RESOLVED:

That Members agreed that the resolution at the ARP Committee meeting on 7th September 2018 is confirmed and the Authority proceeds to make a Permanent Traffic Regulation Order under Section 22 BB(2)(a) Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 that will have the effect of prohibiting use by mechanically propelled vehicles at all time at Wetton Hills (subject to specified exemptions).

Cllr C Farrell and Mrs C Waller left the room at 10.55am and returned at 11.00am

5/19 PROPOSED PLAN FOR THE PROGRAMME AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE'S FORTHCOMING WORK ON THE FOUR AGREED PROGRAMMES (SF)

Sarah Fowler, Chief Executive presented her report to Members to outline the 4 agreed programme areas of the new Programmes and Resources Committee and how those areas would support the delivery of the 2019-24 Corporate Strategy. It also showed which Officer within the Authority would be overseeing those areas, and the indicative timetable.

The 4 agreed programme areas were Climate Change, Landscape Monitoring and Delivery, Volunteering and Visitor Experience and Recreation Hubs.

It was considered that there was a need for a Member led Task and Finish Climate Change Working Group to be set up with Officers, as there was concern amongst Members that the target date of 2050 for being carbon neutral was too far off, and that the Authority needed to work to respond to the climate change challenge, particularly as there were other organisations that had set target dates of 2030.

Sarah Fowler reported that a paper updating Members on the Climate Summit, which was taking place in Buxton on the 15th October, would be presented to the next Programmes & Resources Committee in December, but that the Climate Change Vulnerability Assessment would not be available so would be presented at a future Committee for discussion. The Chief Executive suggested that the next meeting would be an appropriate time to for the

Committee to consider the role, responsibilities and resources for the suggested Climate Change Task and Finish Group.

The Members thanked Officers for the work done so far and noted that as this was a new way of working it would be sensible to keep it under regular review.

The recommendation as set out in the report was moved, seconded, put to the vote and carried.

RESOLVED:

- **That Members approve the proposed approach for Member and Officer engagement into each of the 4 programmes.**
- **That Members approve the proposed programme activity and strategic engagement for 2 of the 4 programme areas – climate change and landscape programmes monitoring and delivery.**

The meeting ended at 11.30 am