
MINUTES

Meeting: **Audit Resources & Performance Committee**

Date: Friday 3 March 2017 at 10.00 am

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

Chair: Cllr A McCloy

Present: Mrs P Anderson, Mrs F Beatty, Cllr C Furness, Mr D Greenhalgh,
Mr Z Hamid, Ms S Leckie, Cllr S Marshall-Clarke and Cllr C McLaren

Cllr Mrs L C Roberts and Mr P Ancell
attended to observe and speak but not vote.

Apologies for absence: Cllr F J Walton, Cllr A R Favell, Cllr N Gibson, Cllr Mrs G Heath,
Cllr Mrs N Turner and Cllr D Chapman.

7/17 **MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING HELD ON 20 JANUARY 2017**

The minutes of the last meeting of the Audit, Resources and Performance Committee held on 20 January 2017 were approved as a correct record subject to the following amendments:

Add Mr P Ancell and Cllrs Chapman and Roberts to the list of Members present at the meeting.

8/17 **URGENT BUSINESS**

There was no urgent business to consider.

9/17 **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

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

10/17 **MEMBERS DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

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Cllr A McCloy declared a personal interest in this item as he was a member of the Ramblers Association. He also declared that he had received an email from Mr Will Hewitt.

11/17 **PROPOSED TRAFFIC REGULATION ORDER AT WASHGATE (A76226/SAS)**

Sue Smith, The Access and Rights of Way Officer, introduced the report and summarised a response received on behalf the Peak and Northern Footpaths Society and the Open Spaces Society. She also reported that since the report was published a further 5 objections to motorcycle restrictions had been received and were similar to those reported.

The following spoke under the public participation at meetings scheme:

- Mr M Gallagher, Northern British Bike pre-65 Trials Championship
- Mr A Kind, Auto Cycle Union HQ
- Mr H Cleary, ROW Officer, Manchester 17 MCC
- Mr S Wardle, Leycotes Farm
- Mr G Wood, Individual
- Ms P Stubbs, Peak Horsepower and Peak District Green Lanes Alliance
- Mr C Woods, Individual

In response to Members' queries the Officer stated that evidence had been received regarding the Bemrose Trial and the Reliance Cup Trial but not for the Dave Rowland or Northern Experts Trials. The Officer emphasised that the Authority was not the Highway Authority and therefore not responsible for repairs to the route. The exemption terms could ask for re-instatement works and contribution to these could be via a voluntary working group (which was already in place) or by provision of materials.

If Members were minded to approve a Traffic Regulation Order (TRO) with an exemption for events officers would work with organisers to advise on adopting a pre-cautionary approach and to consider the use along the river. However the exemption could not state that the river could not be used. The Officer reported that she was meeting with the organiser of the Bemrose Trial next week, ahead of their next event.

It was noted that the number of entrants for each event in the draft terms of exemption was limited to 180 as this was the legal maximum allowed. One of the events had already stated that their event was limited to 120.

A motion for a TRO with an exemption, with the terms of exemption limiting events to the 2 named events for the Bemrose Trial and the Reliance Cup Trial, was moved and seconded. A Member requested that a report back on the next motorcycle trial event be made to the Committee, with pictures, but this was not added to the motion. The motion was then voted on and carried.

RESOLVED:

That the Authority proceeds to make a 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 on the Washgate route including the exemption for use by motorcycles in connection with 2 named events, the Bemrose Trial and the Reliance Cup Trial, on such terms as may be required by the Authority.

12/17 MOORS FOR THE FUTURE PARTNERSHIP OPERATIONAL PLAN 2017 - 2018 (SLD/CD)

Chris Dean, Head of Programme Delivery (Moors for the Future), and Sharon Davison, Programme Office Manager, gave a presentation on the Moors for the Future Operational Plan for 2017-2018. They gave a background to the Plan and the Project's

funding and highlighted big achievements from 2016-17 including restoration trajectories monitoring and the community science project. The continued support of Defra, following Brexit, for the MoorLIFE 2020 project was also highlighted. Looking forward to 2017-18 Moors for the Future will be continuing to deliver and grow the Private Lands Partnership and hoping to sustain community science. Members of the Moors for the Future Team were present, with a display of their work, to answer questions from Members outside of the meeting.

Members thanked the Moors for the Future Team for the presentation and for their continued good work. The recommendation to support the Operational Plan and to recommend it to the Moors for the Future Partnership's Strategic Management Group was moved, seconded, voted on and carried.

RESOLVED:

That the Audit Resources and Performance Committee supports the Moors for the Future Partnership Operational Plan 2017-2018 and recommends it to the Moors for the Future Partnership's Strategic Management Group.

13/17 EXTERNAL AUDIT - 2016/17 AUDIT PLAN (A1362/AGM)

John Cornett and Katie Scott from the Authority's external auditors, KPMG, were present at the meeting and John introduced the report of the external audit plan for 2016/17. It was noted that there could be a small increase in the audit fee if any additional work was required.

Members noted the report and the recommendation was moved, seconded, voted on and carried.

RESOLVED:

That the 2016/17 External Audit Plan be considered and acknowledged.

The meeting ended at 12.28 pm