

## Appendix D

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1. Support farms and other rural businesses to achieve national park purposes and enable more farmers and land managers to access advice and reward payments				
Activity	Partners	Milestones	Progress	Comments
1.1 Provide an integrated service via PDLMAS to help farmers and land managers through the complexities of accessing advice and reward payments to support conservation on farmland	<a href="#">Peak District Land Managers Advisory Service (PDLMAS) &amp; Land Managers Forum</a>	A) Complete customer service survey by March 2014 B) Review implications by March 2015	A) Behind schedule	A) Survey has been developed, tested, revised and is now ongoing and should be completed by end of September 2014 - target approx 200

2. Champion and support the development of environmentally orientated products and services that contribute to quality and green experiences				
Activity	Partners	Milestones	Progress	Comments
2.1 Raise awareness and promote EQM to encourage businesses to become award holders	<a href="#">Environmental Quality Mark</a> , Visit Peak District, Business Peak District, National Trust, YHA, all participating businesses	Get 20 - 25 businesses sign up to EQM per year	Changed priorities	Started with 65, and ended with 64 - various businesses lost e.g. planning enforcement, retired (2), some didn't want to pay fee, non-compliances. 12 new ones in the Peak District  One of the directors has left, so half resource has been lost, but costs etc have also been reduced
2.2 Promote 'whole supply chain' models using green environmental products and services	<a href="#">Environmental Quality Mark</a> , Visit Peak District, Business Peak District, National Trust, YHA, all participating businesses	Produce 3 EQM case studies to raise awareness and highlight benefits to other businesses and individuals by March 2014	Changed priorities	Lack of resources, carried forward to March 2015

6. Seek to ensure that the Peak District is connected with fast broadband speeds and coverage, and mobile telephone networks				
Activity	Partners	Milestones	Progress	Comments
6.2 Review of mobile communications in the LDF Development Management Policies	<a href="#">Peak District National Park Authority</a> , LDF Stakeholders	Submission of Development Management Policies including relevant policy on telecommunications by September 2014	In progress with minor revision to timetable	Development Management Policies including those on telecommunications should be finalised by October 2014, to Members for approval November 2014

13. Develop the Peak District in to one of the most Cycle Accessible National Parks in the world				
Activity	Partners	Milestones	Progress	Comments
13.2 Develop & Implement Peak District Cycling Strategy	<a href="#">Peak District National Park Authority</a> and wide range of partners	A) The Peak District Cycling Strategy will be adopted by key partners by March 2014 B) Short term actions delivered 2014-2015	A) Behind schedule B) On track	Cycling Strategy will be adopted October 2014. This has been delayed due to complexity and number of consultation responses

15. Promote the Peak District as one of England's most significant tourism brands, renowned for its sustainability credentials and high quality visitor experience				
Activity	Partners	Milestones	Progress	Comments
15.1 Develop & Implement the Tourism Strategy for the wider Peak District destination	<a href="#">Visit Peak District</a> , Destination Management Partnerships	A) Growth Plan for Visitor Economy presented to LEPs by March 2014 B) Agree Draft Tourism Strategy (Destination Management Strategy) by June 2014 C) Publish Tourism Strategy September 2014 D) Secure funding for Tourism Strategy Activity by March 2015 E) Deliver Tourism Strategy marketing activity by March 2015	A) Complete B) Early draft developed C) Delayed D) Early work with LEPs e.g. on tourism skills E) Delayed	Defer Tourism Strategy - PDNPA and Visit Peak District priorities changed and lack of resources means this will be taken forward at a later date - likely mid 2015
15.4 Identify specific tourism business needs and develop solutions	<a href="#">Visit Peak District</a> , <a href="#">Environmental Quality Mark</a> , <a href="#">Business Peak District</a>	Build on initial consultation with businesses by March 2014, to develop funded responses by March 2015	Delayed	

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16. Enhance recreational opportunities and management at key sites through joint partner approaches				
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16.1 Identify key recreation sites around the national park where recreational experiences and impact need to be managed	<b>Peak District National Park Authority, National Trust</b> , Peak Cycle Links, land owners, water companies, RSPB, National Trust, wildlife trusts	Peak District National Park Authority and National Trust sites mapped and opportunities / needs assessed by Mar 2014	Ongoing but delayed	Gateways - survey work gathering data  Work is in progress exploring Cycle links and trails on National Trust property

17. Encourage visitors and residents to reduce their environmental impact through the choices they make about how they travel to and experience the Peak District, and what they might buy locally				
Activity	Partners	Milestones	Progress	Comments
17.3 Enable Peak District wide marketing of sustainable travel within the national park, making use of existing infrastructure and services	<b>Peak District National Park Authority</b> through Peak Connections, public transport authorities, transport operators, Visit Peak District	A) Peak Connections concept developed by September 2014  B) Seek funding by March 2015  C) Feasibility of a Branded 'Peak District Explorer' bus explored with partners by March 2014  D) Develop Upper Derwent Bus as an attraction by March 2014	A) Behind schedule / priorities changed  B) Behind schedule / priorities changed  C) Ongoing  D) Complete	There is very little resource to deliver the aims and ambitions of the Peak Connections project to improve public transport access and opportunities around the Peak District. This is an area that could do with some significant development, as there is the potential to not only link some of the best attractions, destinations and communities in the Peak District, but also create an attraction in its own right.  We will look to further develop the 'Peak Explorer' bus concept with liveries, further ticketing incentives and links to attractions. In the longer term we could look at more radical and innovative solutions such as hydrogen buses. However, this all needs funding for product development.

22. Conserve and enhance biodiversity by continued action for priority habitats, sites and species within the national park in line with the Biodiversity Action Plan				
Activity	Partners	Milestones	Progress	Comments
22.5 Restore and enhance priority woodlands across the national park, with particular emphasis on cloughs, valley sides and woodlands which are important to birds	<b>Forestry Commission</b> , RSPB, National Trust, wildlife trusts, private landowners; Woodland Trust, Peak District National Park Authority, Environment Agency	A) Create 1200 hectares of woodlands by March 2014  B) Restore 800 hectares of woodland restored by March 2014	A) Ongoing  B) Complete / ongoing	A) Around 720ha has been achieved across the National Park area, much through the Clough Woodland project. 1200ha may have been a slightly ambitious target by March 2014, but the work is ongoing and the project is considered to be successful  B) Depends on definition of 'Restore' - in terms simply of Woodland Restoration grant, around 350ha has been restored, but if we consider restoration to a better condition through thinning and general management, the figure could be considered to be over 1700ha within the Peak District area

24. Conserve important geological features to protect geological diversity interests				
Activity	Partners	Milestones	Progress	Comments
24.1 Develop a Geological Diversity Action Plan to identify and implement priorities for the conservation of important geological features	<b>Peak District National Park Authority</b> , Derbyshire & Peak District Regionally Important Geological Sites Group, National Stone Centre, Sheffield Area Geological Trust, mineral permission holders, other public bodies	Geological action plan complete by Mar 2014	On hold	The Geological Diversity Action Plan remains in development, but has been put on hold as other priorities have taken precedence

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28. Develop a better understanding of carbon use in the national park				
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28.1 Explore the value of carbon management techniques (e.g. carbon budgeting, Carbon Audit of Land Management, upland carbon foot printing) within the national park to find a model(s) on which to base future decisions - revisit action in light of reformed Derbyshire Climate Change Group	<b>Peak District National Park Authority</b> , Environment Agency, water companies, Forestry Commission, Natural England, CLA	Re-establish links between Derbyshire Climate Change Group and National Park Management Plan by 5 December 2013 and revise plan accordingly		This milestone has been achieved, and work is commencing on Climate Change Adaptation reporting to DEFRA  With specific reference to carbon budgeting, we are looking at exploring a business case for carbon budgeting on the PDNPA-owned Warslow Estate - it could be a low carbon demonstration

33. Ensure positive conservation of cultural heritage within the national park				
Activity	Partners	Milestones	Progress	Comments
32.1 Develop and implement practical conservation projects, for example community ownership and maintenance of historic buildings and other heritage assets	<b>Peak District National Park Authority</b> , Early Mines Research Group, National Trust, English Heritage Calver Weir Restoration Project, PDNPA, Heritage Lottery Fund, High Peak, Staffordshire Moorland Councils	A) Deliver Ecton Mine project as part of £26k English Heritage project, which considers designating underground cultural heritage features  B) Calver Weir environmental works complete by Jan 2014  C) Submit World War I project Dec 2013  D) Assess condition of heritage buildings by English Heritage and High Peak And Staffordshire Moorlands District Councils by March 2015		A) Main phase of ecton project delivered, work continues into 14/15 and beyond in partnership with NT, NE, EH  B) Calver weir environmental works extended to 31 July 2014  <b>C) Funding bid was not successful</b>  D) Project completed

36. Use community-led planning to produce plans of action that enable social, economic and environmental needs to be met whilst conserving and enhancing cultural heritage				
Activity	Partners	Milestones	Progress	Comments
35.2 Explore how community-led techniques could assist strategic planning work, such as assessing the capacity for development in villages (linking to neighbourhood plans)	<b>Peak District National Park Authority</b> , <b>Peak Park Parishes Forum</b> , local communities	Work in partnership to develop and test mechanisms to support groups preparing neighbourhood development plans in areas which have cross-planning boundaries - ongoing to March 2014 - this is an activity in itself - 2 neighbourhood area designations - Chapel and Whaley Bridge (cross-boundary) and 1 cross boundary plan (Chapel) due to go to independent examination - ongoing, deal with as they arise  Now there is better joint team working, Community Planning is now embedded in our core service	Complete but ongoing	This ideally requires a new milestone. The Activity itself is effectively a 'complete' milestone too  Work with communities to identify sites for development  Hayfield & Castleton - ongoing with site work done and aim for a capacity assessment. Now engaging with Bradwell and Hathersage (as part of HP Housing Enablement Project)

42. Support local housing authorities with activity that explores innovative ways to secure funding to enable the delivery of affordable housing				
Activity	Partners	Milestones	Progress	Comments
42.1 Research opportunities for a new approach to affordable housing such as properties on the open market for transfer to social sector, or using existing buildings	<b>Peak District National Park Authority</b>	A) Research complete by Dec 2013  B) Prepare & agree paper with UK national parks to lobby government to consider reinvesting in social housing in national parks	Complete / ongoing	Consider a bid to government for affordable housing delivery

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47. Promote the health and wellbeing opportunities of outdoor activities in the Peak District National Park				
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47.1 Identify projects and funding to explore possibilities for pilot projects and partnerships	<b>Peak District National Park Authority,</b> National Trust, Friends of the Peak District, Social Services, Health and Wellbeing Boards	<p>A) Investigate potential for a Health Innovation Fund bid to provide assisted activities in the national park for urban families - identify possible funding stream from annual Public health plan by March 14</p> <p>B) Identify community projects to promote health benefits of outside activities in a national park setting for older generations by March 14</p> <p>C) Develop link with local universities to provide quantitative studies into benefits of access to nature and repeat visits</p> <p>D) Meet with community based health groups such as Eyam Health Group</p>	Priorities changed	<p>A) The Inspiring Generations group is actively exploring a bid to the European Union's INTERREG funding programme, using this in the longer term to develop a larger nationally funded programme such as Stepping Stones to Nature</p> <p>B) Not explored specifically, but could be encompassed in wider Inspiring Generations group work ambitions, and delivery of Recreation Strategy objectives. We are also widening the Peak District Award.</p> <p>C) Derby Uni have a unit which is researching the benefits of being outdoors - 'Cognitive Ergonomics' - Miles Richardson (assistant head of psychology) - <b>Nature Connectiveness Research Group</b></p>

48. Work in partnership to remove barriers and create equal opportunity of access for all to the national park, developing areas of mutual interest between communities beyond and within the national park to create deeper understanding				
Activity	Partners	Milestones	Progress	Comments
48.1 Develop the Peak District Mosaic Partnership and agree a joint plan of action for interventions and audiences, and seek a wider range of funding opportunities and greater independence	<b>Peak District National Park Authority,</b> National Trust	<p>A) 6 new champions to be recruited in 2013/4 representing new audiences</p> <p>B) 6 new communities represented during 2013/4</p> <p>C) 17 new interventions delivered during 2014/15</p> <p>D) Explore incorporation of MOSAIC as a fully constituted community group by March 2014</p>	<p>A) Complete</p> <p>B) Complete</p> <p>C) 8 interventions so far</p> <p>D) Now September 2014</p>	
48.2 Encourage MOSAIC and the Environmental Quality Mark to foster greater links between communities inside and outside the park	<b>MOSAIC Partnership, EQM Board,</b> community and voluntary sectors	Have established and delivered a cultural food exchange event by May 2014	Cancelled / Postponed	A cultural food exchange took place last year, but this year Champion time fully taken up with constitution

49. Grow the existing and highly committed Peak District volunteer base, to offer additional accessible opportunities, and ensure that learning about the national park is woven into a diverse range of volunteer experience opportunities				
Activity	Partners	Milestones	Progress	Comments
49.2 Widen the age profile of volunteers and provide more gateways for participants	<b>Peak District National Park Authority,</b> Mosaic Partners, Volunteer Centres, National Trust, Wildlife Trusts, RSPB, Youth Hostel Association,	Identify feasibility of pilot project to encourage office based staff to volunteer, working with Severn Trent water and RSPB to identify similar projects by August 2014		Not taken forward as intended. Peak District Award, more events that staff are getting involved with on a voluntary basis e.g. TdF?

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51. Find attractive ways of enabling people of all abilities to build on their understanding of the National Park and take action				
Activity	Partners	Milestones	Progress	Comments
51.1 Widen the reach of the Peak District Award	<a href="#">Peak District National Park Authority</a>	A) Decision on funding of HLF development bid to widen engagement with the award - January 2014  B) Undertake non-visitor and visitor surveys by June 2014  C) Submit Stage 2 application December 2014  D) Deliver 3 awards by July 2014  E) Consider possible multi-generational aspects of the Peak District Award by March 15		Bid was not successful, but award is being widely delivered - something like 350 per year, around 500 done now with more this year. This is for all age groups, there are different types - 10 hrs, 20 hrs, 30 hrs, same certificate, different accompaniment  Intention still there, just trying to work out what to do  E) Ongoing

53. To have a thriving range of charities and trusts that contribute to the special qualities of the national park through partnership working				
Activity	Partners	Milestones	Progress	Comments
53.1 Encourage wider support of individual trusts and charities	<a href="#">Friends of the Peak District</a> , National Trust, RSPB, Wildlife Trusts, Youth Hostel Association, Peak Cycle Links, CVS, Peak Partners for Rural Action, Peak District National Park Authority	Identify baseline of existing support and membership by March 2014	Suggest cancel or review	This hasn't really been delivered - we need a milestone that doesn't affect competition and business sensitivities