

APPENDIX 1

European Site Conservation Objectives for Peak District Dales Special Area of Conservation Site Code: UK0019859 (As at 30 June 2014)

With regard to the SAC and the natural habitats and/or species for which the site has been designated (the 'Qualifying Features' listed below), and subject to natural change;

Ensure that the integrity of the site is maintained or restored as appropriate, and ensure that the site contributes to achieving the Favourable Conservation Status of its Qualifying Features, by maintaining or restoring;

- The extent and distribution of qualifying natural habitats and habitats of qualifying species
- The structure and function (including typical species) of qualifying natural habitats
- The structure and function of the habitats of qualifying species
- The supporting processes on which qualifying natural habitats and the habitats of qualifying species rely
- The populations of qualifying species, and,
- The distribution of qualifying species within the site.

Qualifying Features:

H4030. European dry heaths

H6130. Calaminarian grasslands of the *Violetalia calaminariae*; Grasslands on soils rich in heavy metals

H6210. Semi-natural dry grasslands and scrubland facies: on calcareous substrates (*FestucoBrometalia*); Dry grasslands and scrublands on chalk or limestone

H7230. Alkaline fens; Calcium-rich springwater-fed fens

H8120. Calcareous and calcshist scree of the montane to alpine levels (*Thlaspietea rotundifolii*); Baserich scree

H8210. Calcareous rocky slopes with chasmophytic vegetation; Plants in crevices in base-rich rocks H9180. *Tilio-Acerion* forests of slopes, scree and ravines; Mixed woodland on base-rich soils associated with rocky slopes*

S1092. *Austropotamobius pallipes*; White-clawed (or Atlantic stream) crayfish

S1096. *Lampetra planeri*; Brook lamprey

S1163. *Cottus gobio*; Bullhead

* denotes a priority natural habitat or species (supporting explanatory text on following page)

* Priority natural habitats or species

Some of the natural habitats and species listed in the Habitats Directive and for which SACs have been selected are considered to be particular priorities for conservation at a European scale and are subject to special provisions in the Directive and the Habitats Regulations. These priority natural habitats and species are denoted by an asterisk (*) in Annex I and II of the Directive. The term 'priority' is also used in other contexts, for example with reference to particular habitats or species that are prioritised in UK Biodiversity Action Plans. It is

important to note however that these are not necessarily the priority natural habitats or species within the meaning of the Habitats Directive or the Habitats Regulations.