

## **12.3 OUTSIDE BODY AND CONFERENCE FEEDBACK REPORT**

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| <b>Name of Body</b>  | National Parks England (NPE)  |
| <b>Date of Meeting</b>   | 6 June 2019   |
| <b>Member in attendance</b>  | Andrew McCloy   |
| <b>Supporting Officer</b>  | Sarah Fowler  |
| <b>Issues raised at the meeting of significance to the Authority</b> |   |
| 1.   | <b>Rural Development:</b> NPE has produced a thoughtful and well-argued paper which sets out our vision and ambition for rural development in England's National Parks - see Sarah Fowler's CEO report for more details.  |
| 2.   | <b>Environmental Land Management System:</b> An update was given on progress with developing the planned tests and trials (including the Peak District's White Peak Partnership), in the face of uncertainties over funding and the application process. However, since then NPE's Agriculture and Rural Development Group have had more discussions with Defra and agreement has been reached on a number of points and the outlook is much more positive.   |
| 3.   | <b>Climate Change:</b> I secured agreement from all the Chairs that NPE's current position paper on climate change and National Parks (dated 2006!) should be immediately revised and updated by the All-Parks officer climate change group, working with the NPE national team. I also suggested that given the long term impact of climate change on all National Park landscapes we needed to adopt a louder and more confident collective voice that, amongst other things, showcased some of the pioneering work going on at a local level and brought domestic protected landscapes into the climate change debate. |
| <b>Issues on which the views of Authority Members are sought</b>     |   |
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| <b>Relevant documents such as reports and hyperlinks</b>             |   |
| 1.   | For more details about NPE and its work go to:<br><a href="https://www.nationalparksengland.org.uk/home">https://www.nationalparksengland.org.uk/home</a>   |
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