

Due Diligence Panel's Assessment and Scoring 7 March 2019

Proposer	Panel's Assessment, Score and Recommendations for Mitigating Action
Interested party:	YORKSHIRE WATER Funding for printing of first Miles Without Stiles handbook and design and publication of the second handbook
Assessment of proposal against 1-6 in process criteria	
1. Contribution to achieving corporate plan section	No issues identified – Miles without Stiles is a National Park brand reflected in the Authority's Corporate Strategy. SCORE 10
2. Fit with PDNPA brand values section	No issues identified – The promotion of Miles without Stiles through the publication of a handbook fits with our corporate priority outcome of encouraging diverse audiences into the National Park. SCORE 10
3. Motive of interested party section	No issues identified – Yorkshire Water is a significant landowner in the PDNP and has submitted a planning application at Langsett for cycle trial and potential future Miles without Stiles accessible route which is being dealt with by the Regulatory arm of the Authority. Going forward the Panel would expect Yorkshire Water to give clear notification of any future planning applications to the Access Team so that they can highlight in advance any potential conflict of interest. SCORE 10
4. Identity and financial check section	No issues identified SCORE 10
5. Environmental credentials section	Satisfactory – some issues but not insurmountable – noted that Yorkshire Water are considered one of the poorest performing water authorities regarding effluent in rivers but considered good regarding their contribution to access and recreation which is pertinent in relation to this initiative. SCORE 5
6. Conflict of interest/impact on Authority's reputation section	No issues – aware of planning applications in progress but acknowledge they are separate to this proposal. The Access Officer is to ensure any Yorkshire Water promotion by the Authority regarding the donation does not refer to ongoing or future planning applications by the company. The Panel were assured that future communications will be more about engaging with people and noted there is no joint communications policy with Yorkshire Water and such plans for the future. SCORE 10
Conclusions on whether appropriate to develop a relationship with interested party	The Panel agreed to support funding from Yorkshire Water for the printing of the first Miles without Stiles handbook and for the design and publication of the second handbook for a period up to 5 years with the Access Team and Fundraising Team bringing any issues of concern back to the Panel.

Scoring: Score out of 10

10 = no issues

1= prohibitive issues meaning cannot proceed whatever the value of other scores

5= satisfactory – some issues but not insurmountable

0= difficult to make judgement from information provided- more information needed