

# The Peak District National Park Management Plan Progress Report April 2021

Appendix 2

Intention	Action	Milestones and Dates	Future Actions	RAG
Intention 1.1 (sponsoring partner): Reduce the effects of climate change on the special qualities	Undertake a climate change vulnerability assessment on the special qualities of the National park & produce a mitigation/adaptation plan setting out priority actions. Seek resources to implement priority actions.	Vulnerability assessment produced in 2020.	Establish / determine delivery partnership 2021.	
		Identify mitigation actions & priorities 2020-2021.	Start implementing mitigation / adaptation plan	
	Seek support from DEFRA and BEIS to establish a working assessment of all emissions arising in the National Park	Cut National data to the National Park boundary including all land based emissions. 2020.		
	<b>Sustainable Transport</b>  Initiate an ambitious low carbon rural transport scheme that is environmentally and economically sustainable	Research programme launched May 2020		
		2023 target for emission reduction from car borne traffic identified August 2020		
		Project plan published August 2020		
		Pilot scheme launched April 2021		
		Phase 1 sustainable transport scheme launched April 2022		
	<b>Peatland restoration</b>  Seek to expand current work programmes to match the ambition required to achieve 50%	Establish costings and opportunities to expand the currently planned work  Identify funding and partnership arrangements.		

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<i>Intention 1.1 Continued</i>	Peak District moorlands in good (grade 6) condition.	Agree our ambition for future sustainable management for restored peatlands 2020/21		
	<b>Grasslands for carbon.</b> Support Regenerative Agriculture for soil health and carbon retention.	Identify the benefits of livestock as part of a sustainable upland farming system with particular reference to grassland.	Explore and deliver in 21/22.	
		Explore opportunities for agroforestry/ wood pasture in the Peak District.		
		Encourage use of carbon tools, which take emissions, sequestration and permanent storage in to account. Update the Peak District Carbon Management Tool in 2020.		
		Explore revising the Carbon Management Tool with partners to make it more user friendly and more widely available in 2021.	As above	
		Promote discussion on the future of upland meat production. Improve routes to market and market presence for stock reared solely on grasslands managed for public goods e.g. carbon	Promote discussion on this topic in 2021/22.	
	<b>Integration of more trees into the landscape</b>	2020 Undertake opportunity mapping to identify optimal locations and methods of establishing more trees in the landscape		

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Intention 1.1 <i>Continued</i>		2020 Clarify the carbon implications of different woodland and tree management options	As above. Explore further improvements to the Peak Carbon Tool so that a more user-friendly version on the website can be made available.	
		2020/21 Identify new actions to deliver expanded tree cover in line with our assessment.	Develop action to go beyond the stated target if this appears feasible following the opportunity mapping	
Intention 2.1 (sponsoring partner): Secure funding for future land management to benefit all	Describe a future support system for the Peak District National Park, which will deliver a full range of public goods, using the White peak as an example.	Develop an acceptable support package proposal by 2019/20.	To have a new support package available from 2024.  <i>The new Agriculture Bill and policy statement provides a planned timescale of 2025 to have new environmental land management arrangements in place.</i>	
Intention 2.2 (supporting partner): Ensure that the management of upland moors delivers environmental, social & economic Benefits	That the proposals from the Moorland Working Group are implemented. These will focus on:  1. Fire risk 2. Visitor engagement 3. Resilient sustainable moorland 4. Moorland birds	Land Managers Forum sub group to be established to focus on resilient sustainable moorland (Sponsor NE).		
		Bird survey in 2018 to confirm population trends.		
		To review the work of the Bird of Prey initiative and implement effective measures to address bird of prey issues 2019		

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Intention 3.1 (sponsoring partner): Establish monitoring at a landscape scale	We will have agreed and established a system of monitoring at a landscape scale encompassing landscape, wildlife and cultural heritage.	Establish the objectives of monitoring in 2018.		Red
		Produce a robust methodology for monitoring in 2019.		
Intention 3.2 (sponsoring partner): Develop a White Peak partnership	We will have a White peak Partnership that is delivering agreed priority actions.	To be set as work progresses through the partnership steering group and wider partners.		Green
Intention 3.3 (sponsoring partner): Maintain existing landscape scale delivery	Develop a clear long term vision, plan and have funding in place for the Dark Peak and South Pennines to 2050.	Undertake long-term monitoring to inform the plan.	<p>The percentage of blanket bog in the Dark Peak and South Pennines in improved ecological condition;</p> <p>30% of Blanket Bog across the Southern Pennines to be in state 6 by 2050</p> <p>90% of Dark Peak Blanket Bog moved out of state 2 by 2023, (bare peat to be revegetated)</p> <p>25% of the Southern Pennine Blanket bogs to be moved out of state 2 by 2023.</p>	Green
		Start planning for the water industry's Asset Management Plan 7 delivery in 2020-2025.		
	Develop a clear future plan and funding to develop and continue landscape scale delivery on the South West Peak.	Put in place phase 2 arrangements for the partnership by end of December 2021.		Green

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Intention 4.1 (sponsoring partner): Overcome physical barriers to access	Create a programme to develop a sustainable visitor economy that encourages the Peak District National Park to be a welcoming place for all.	Develop a partnership approach to integrated visitor hubs/ gateways to embrace accessibility for all to the National Park whilst supporting responsible visiting and reducing impact of visitors.		
		Produce and adopt Recreation Hubs Supplementary Planning Document Adopted SPD 2020.		
		Develop a brand led approach to the promotion of the Peak District National Park linked to the development of a high quality sustainable tourism industry.		
Intention 4.2 (sponsoring partner): Overcome perceived barriers to access	A consistent message that all partners use that encourages more under represented groups to visit the National Park. To enable all marketing bodies to target the full potential audience and working within and in the local communities to encourage them to visit.	Assess what we offer against the potential optimum demand and amend where sustainable	Set targets for the % increase in under-represented audience to be achieved by 2023.	
Intention 5.1 (sponsoring partner): Balance opportunities for enjoyment with conserving a fragile environment	As part of a reviewed brand refresh the countryside code in partnership that all partners promote and disseminate consistently and coherently.	Partner event to analyse issues to be dealt with by the code by 2019.		

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Intention 5.2 (sponsoring partner): Ensure shared responsibility	Review and develop current arrangements for event management in the Peak District.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Improve Pre Event Communication.</li> <li>2. Overhaul the events notification system to make it more effective and efficient.</li> <li>3. Develop Peak District specific best practice guidelines to aid event's organisers.</li> <li>4. Work with Natural England to improve the consents process.</li> <li>5. Seek evidence of the extent of community and environmental impact within the National Park.</li> </ol>	To monitor events that take place as lock down eases and their impact on what we expect to be a very busy National Park.	
Intention 5.3 (sponsoring partner): Develop an awareness and understanding of the benefits of the Peak District National Park	Utilising the valuable work of Inspired by the peak District and the Peak District Environmental Quality Mark, consider a revised approach to the promotion of the Peak District brand so we establish a provenance which is coherent and effective at promoting the link between business development, the special qualities and the unique offer of the Peak District National Park.	Convene a group to explore potential by the end of 2019.		
Intention 6: Supporting thriving and sustainable communities and economy	Define what is meant by thriving and sustainable communities, in the context of the National Park management Plan.	Definition produced and agreed by 2020	NPA officers to continue to refine first version of State of Communities report in order to inform meeting with PPPF when this is rescheduled.	
Intention 6.1 (supporting partner):	Work with providers to improve broadband and mobile connectivity across	Obtain data on future predicted gaps in mobile and broadband provision.		

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Improve access to services	the National Park in line with the UK's Next Generation Access (NGA) standards.	Work with suppliers to find imaginative solutions for the final 5%. For example, community fibre partnerships.		
Intention 6.2 (sponsoring partner): Support the provision of locally needed housing	Work through the National Park Management Plan Advisory Group Housing Sub-Group to address the local need for appropriate housing in the National Park	Establish a new estimate of strategic housing need.		
		Define the opportunities for meeting affordable housing need through exception sites, brownfield and enhancement.		
Intention 6.3: Enable local businesses to thrive in a way that is compatible and wherever possible enhances the special qualities of the Peak District National Park	Assist the development of businesses in conjunction with relevant bodies. Linking business support, grant aid, planning and economic development.	Convene a group to explore potential by the end of 2019 and take forward action.		

The End.