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**From:** John Thompson <johnthom86015@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** 24 August 2021 12:34  
**To:** Fowler Sarah  
**Cc:** Rhodes Mike; Crowder Ruth; Smith Sue  
**Subject:** Re: Defra Response to Landscapes Review

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message.**

Very helpful and much appreciated thank you Sarah

Mike - can that be included please as a Matter Arising?

Very best wishes

John

On Tue, 24 Aug 2021 at 12:30, Fowler Sarah <[Sarah.Fowler@peakdistrict.gov.uk](mailto:Sarah.Fowler@peakdistrict.gov.uk)> wrote:

Hi John

My summary would be:

On 24 June 2021 the Secretary of State for Defra gave a written statement to Parliament in response to the Landscapes Review Report, which was published in September 2019. The statement is high level and sets out the importance of protected landscapes for nature's recovery, responding to the climate emergency and to enhance public access and as places where people live and work. The government intends to work with National Park Authorities, AONBs and others as it consults on fuller proposals later in the year. It also announced that Natural England is considering the designation of new AONBs (Yorkshire Wolds and Cheshire Sandstone Ridge) and extensions to the Surrey Hills and Chilterns AONB. The statement can be seen here: [Written statements - Written questions, answers and statements - UK Parliament](#). National Parks England (who speak up for all 10 English National Parks) has responded, with a statement from Andrew McCloy (who has just taken on the role of Chair of National Park England). The response can be seen here: [Landscapes review - government response: National Parks England](#)

The announcement includes a new funding programme to support farming in protected landscapes, which will be overseen by National Park Authorities and AONB bodies and will run from mid-2021 to April 2024. The 2021-22 Budget Report presented to the Authority meeting in February indicated this funding was being considered for us. Sue Fletcher, Head of Landscape, has provided a fuller report on this Farming in Protected Landscapes (FiPL) programme for discussion and approval at the Authority meeting next week. Details of this scheme are now live on our website [here](#).

This is an important moment for us all who work in National Parks and AONBs. It recognises our role, both locally and nationally, in supporting nature, climate, people and places. Our focus will be on engaging constructively, locally and nationally, as this develops into fuller proposals for consultation, with of course an early opportunity for input from Members. We are also keen that as a network of protected landscapes we use this moment to show the way to how we can be a greener, healthier, more resilient and connected nation.

Many thanks

Sarah

Please use e-mail in the first instance to contact me as I am working from home for some days during the week.

My PA can be contacted on [belinda.wybrow@peakdistrict.gov.uk](mailto:belinda.wybrow@peakdistrict.gov.uk)

The Peak District National Park continues to be well cared for by our passionate staff. In these unprecedented times, however, some of our public services are being impacted so do keep an eye on our website for the latest information.

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Hi Mike

One for Matters Arising at LAF on 9th Sept please. Anything to add please Sarah?

Best wishes

John

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