PEAK DISTRICT NATIONAL PARK AUTHORITY

EXISTING APPOINTMENT PRINCIPLES

- 1. Democratic process remains essential.
- 2. Any Member should continue to be eligible to stand for election for any post and all Members should continue to have the opportunity to vote for their preferred candidates.
- 3. The chosen system should foster confidence, unity and trust within the Authority.
- 4. All Members should be assumed to be equally committed to the objectives of the National Park, and to have a contribution to make across the full range of the Authority's work.
- 5. All Members should be considered equally for all appointments but need to maintain the overall balance between different categories of members.
- 6. Anyone holding office should be seen to act on behalf of all Members in the interests of the Authority, and not be allied with one particular group or interest.
- 7. All appointments should be time limited with a stipulated maximum continuous period of holding any one office to four continuous terms.
- 8. Responsibility of nominated members to demonstrate to colleagues their interest and potential.
- 9. Responsibility of nominated members to show that they understand what will be required of them.
- 10. That we should strive to achieve a similar balance across Member Representatives and outside body appointments if possible although it is recognised this may not always be achievable and the main aim is to appoint members who have demonstrated interest and potential.
- 11. That newly appointed members will not be considered for Chair or Deputy/Vice Chair position in their first year of office.