16. PROGRAMME AND RESOURCES PROGRAMMES 2024-25

1. Purpose

1.1 For Members to approve the programme themes for the Programmes and Resources Committee for 2024-25.

2. Context

2.1 The Programmes and Resources Committee was established on 5 July 2019 where it was agreed that it will have an oversight of 3-4 programmes for the year that help deliver the actions of the Authority (minute reference 30/19). The specific purpose is to monitor the development and implementation of key programmes and projects identified annually by the Authority. This includes approving any decisions in relation to these programmes and projects in accordance with the financial values set out in Standing Orders. Members have approved the themes and work programme for the Programmes and Resources Committee on an annual basis at Authority since July 2019.

3. Proposals

- 3.1 As agreed at the September 2023 Authority meeting, each of the National Park Management Plan aims has been presented at a Programmes and Resources Committee. The covering reports can be accessed using the following links.
 - Climate Change
 - Landscape and Nature Recovery
 - Welcoming Place
 - Thriving Communities
- 3.2 The proposal is to present the four National Park Management Plan aims to Programmes and Resources Committee in the same order as the previous year. This will enable a full year's progress on delivery to each aim to be presented. Therefore, the proposed order of programmes for the Committee for 2024-25 is as follows.
 - Climate Change September 2024
 - Landscape and Nature Recovery December 2024
 - Welcoming Place January 2025
 - Thriving communities April 2025

4. Recommendations

- 1. The approved themes of Programmes and Resources align to the National Park Management Plan aims.
- 2. The approved forward work plan for the Programmes and Resources Committee meetings for 2024-25 are:
 - Climate Change September 2024
 - Landscape and Nature Recovery December 2024
 - Welcoming Place January 2025
 - Thriving communities April 2025

5. Corporate Implications

a. Legal

Pursuant to sections 5 and 11A of the National Parks and Access to the Countryside Act 1949, the Authority must deliver to the statutory purposes and statutory duty, respectively, when carrying out its work. Monitoring the Authority's progress against the aims and objectives set out in the National Park Management Plan and Authority Plan will enable appropriate scrutiny and safeguard legal compliance.

The National Park Management Plan and the Authority Plan are compliant with the Authority's duties in relation to equality, diversity and inclusion. Specific projects presented to the Programmes and Resources Committee will identify and address any adverse equality impacts on a case by case basis for consideration prior to approval.

b. Financial

There are no financial implications associated with the proposals outlined in this report. All expenditure associated with the four programmes is allocated through setting the 2024-25 budget and specific approvals outside of this report.

c. National Park Management Plan and Authority Plan

The programme themes are fully aligned to the National Park Management Plan and Authority Plan aims. The reports presented to Programmes and Resources Committee provides Members with further information on delivery to each of the aims.

d. Risk Management

There are no risks associated with the proposals outlined in this report.

e. Net Zero

This report doesn't directly contribute to meeting net zero. However, climate change is one of the four aims of the National Park Management Plan, so it would provide Members with further information on what we are delivering to achieve net zero for the Authority and National Park.

6. Background papers (not previously published)

None.

7. Appendices

None.

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