



MINUTES

Meeting:	National Park Authority
Date:	Friday 18 September 2015 at 10.00 am
Venue:	The Board Room, Aldern House, Baslow Road, Bakewell
Chair:	Cllr Mrs L C Roberts
Present:	Mr P Ancell, Mrs P Anderson, Mrs F Beatty, Cllr P Brady, Cllr C Carr, Cllr D Chapman, Cllr A R Favell, Cllr C Furness, Cllr D Greenhalgh, Mr Z Hamid, Cllr Mrs N Hawkins, Cllr Mrs G Heath, Mr R Helliwell, Cllr H Laws, Cllr Mrs C Howe, Ms S Leckie, Cllr J Macrae, Cllr S Marshall-Clarke, Cllr A McCloy, Ms S McGuire, Cllr C McLaren, Cllr Mrs K Potter and Cllr Mrs N Turner
Apologies for absence:	Cllr D Birkinshaw, Mrs E Sayer, Cllr Mrs J A Twigg, Cllr F J Walton, Cllr G Weatherall and Cllr D Williams.

102/15 CHAIR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

Members received an update on the Moors for the Future European LIFE programme funding bid and Ash dieback in the Peak District.

103/15 URGENT BUSINESS

There was no urgent business to report.

104/15 MEMBERS DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

105/15 DRAFT STRATEGIC FRAMEWORK: 2016-2019 (SF)

The Chief Executive, Sarah Fowler, introduced a report prepared following consultation with three nominated members and a members' financial planning day held on 24 July. The report asked members to approve the strategic framework for the three years from 2016/2017 to 2018/19 and authorise implementation.

Sarah expressed her gratitude to Authority Members and Members of the Senior Management in developing the proposals to this stage.

It was noted in implementing the proposals the Authority would be asked to consider a revised Corporate Strategy for 2016-2019 in December 2015 and a full budget report in February 2016.

During the discussion some Members expressed concerns about the areas which had been given strategic certainty and suggested alternative approaches. In response it was noted that the proposals had to be looked at in the context of the budget proposals where strategic certainty had been given to services which would deliver a sustainable income and full cost recovery.

Members also made suggestions about minor amendments to the text to provide greater clarity. The Chair assured Members that, where appropriate, these would be taken on board.

The officer recommendation was moved, seconded, put to the vote and carried.

RESOLVED:

To approve the draft strategic framework set out in Appendix 1 of the report.

The meeting was adjourned from 10.55pm to 11.00am following consideration of this item.

106/15 FINANCIAL PLANNING: 2016-2017 BUDGET PROPOSALS (RMT/RMM)

The Director of Corporate Resources, Ruth Marchington, introduced a report asking the Authority to approve the budget proposals for 2016/2017. If approved this would allow the Authority to start implementing measures to deliver savings anticipated in the 2016/17 budget before the start of the financial year commencing on 1 April 2016. It was confirmed that a full budget report responding to this steer would be prepared by the Chief Finance Officer and considered by the Authority in February 2016.

In introducing the report Ruth confirmed that comments made by Members at the recent financial planning workshop had been incorporated into the proposals. It was also noted that nationally the Chief Executives and Chairs of National Park Authorities were lobbying government to obtain the powers to open up access to additional income and therefore mitigate against the impact of reductions in the Defra grant.

The officer recommendation was moved, seconded, put to the vote and carried.

RESOLVED

- 1. To approve a programme of reductions in Defra funded activities in five review areas, as detailed in Appendix 1, amounting to £464k to be implemented by 1 April 2016.**
- 2. To approve plans to achieve an increase in net income and reductions in input costs in areas given strategic certainty, as detailed in Appendix 1, amounting to £138k to be implemented by 1 April 2016.**

Cllr Mrs N Hawkins left the meeting at 11.35am following consideration of this item.

107/15 EXEMPT INFORMATION S100 (A) LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972

RESOLVED:

To exclude the public from the meeting during consideration of Agenda Item No 9 to avoid the disclosure of Exempt Information under S100 (A)(4) Local

Government Act 1972, Schedule 12A, Paragraph 1 "Information relating to any individual" and Paragraph 4: "Information relating to any consultations or negotiations, or contemplated consultations or negotiations, in connection with any labour relations matter arising between the Authority or a Minister of the Crown and employees of, or office holders under, the Authority".

PART B

SUMMARY

The Committee determined the following item, full details of which are in the exempt minutes:

108/14 Fit for Purpose Organisational Design - Outcome of Consultation on the Leadership Team Review (SF)

The meeting ended at 12.20 pm