

AONB MANAGER'S REPORT

26th MARCH – 24th OCTOBER 2009

Work during this period has principally consisted of:

- Helen Phillips visit to the AONB.
- Site visits (having a nose-about to see what's going on in the AONB).
- Staff Appraisals.
- NAAONB budget planning, Job Descriptions and CEO succession process.
- Submitting the final 2008/09 grant claim to Natural England.
- Sending the final version of the Management Plan to Defra, following adoption by the Local Authorities.
- Tackling backlog of emails.
- Various days of Annual Leave.
- NAAONB CEO recruitment.
- NAAONB Conference 2009 – organisation and attendance.
- Production of the final version of the AONB Management Plan.
- Planning application responses, etc.
- Project development – rhododendron control, Howsham Hall gates and lodges, milepost repairs.
- NAAONB Conference 2010 – initial venue organisation.
- Assisting with production of the AONB Newsletter.

MEETINGS

- 27th March – NYCC/landlord, re. storage of PRoW materials at Wath.
- 2nd April – JAC Meeting.
- 7th April – Heritage Unit meeting, Northallerton.
- 14th April – Richard Flinton (Director of NYCC BES).
- 14th April – SDF Steering Group.
- 14th April – Appraisal.
- 15th April – LEADER Support Group, Helmsley.
- 20th April – AONB Partnership Group meeting, Appleton-le-Street.
- 28th April – CAN DO Steering Group, Helmsley.
- 6th May – AONB Team Annual Action Programme meeting.
- 12th May – LEADER Support Group, Helmsley.
- 13th May – PLB, to discuss Management Plan production, Annual Report, Newsletter and update of banners, Swinton.
- 17th June – Malton & Norton SCTS meeting, Kirby Misperton.
- 17th June – Wath Court Tenants meeting.
- 19th June – Ranger Team 3 Liaison meeting, Helmsley.
- 25th June – Site inspections for NE grant claim.
- 17th July – JAC site visit.

- 23rd July – CAN DO Steering Group, Helmsley.
- 29th July – meeting re upgrading of Ampleforth Valley footpath to bridleway, Northallerton.
- 30th July – LEADER Support Group, Helmsley.
- 30th July – SEA monitoring meeting.
- 12th August – AONB Team Annual Action Programme meeting.
- 8th September – LEADER Support Group, Helmsley.
- 10th September – Core Funders Group.
- 21st September – Lime & Ice meeting, Helmsley + site visit to Boltby Scar.
- 29th September – NYMNP/HHAONB/NYCC Highways Liaison meeting, Helmsley.
- 14th October – Native Woodland Development Officer Steering Group, Helmsley.

Monthly project update meetings with Liz and Mark Antcliff.

Monthly AONB Team meetings.

NAAONB

- 1st April – NAAONB meeting with Huw Irranca-Davies (Defra Minister), London.
- 2nd/3rd April – Northern AONBs Group meeting, Solway Coast.
- 6th April – Chairman's Governance Group meeting, Birmingham.

- 22nd April – NAAONB Board meeting, Birmingham.
- 29th June – 1st July – NAAONB Conference emergency planning visit, Coleraine, Northern Ireland.
- 3rd July – CEO shortlisting meeting, Birmingham.
- 6th – 9th July – NAAONB Conference, Coleraine, Northern Ireland.
- 21st July – CEO interviews, London.
- 22nd July – Board meeting, London.
- 1st – 2nd September – Conference 2010 planning meeting and site visits to potential venues, Kent Downs AONB.
- 15th October – Northern Group AONBs Lead Officers meeting, Nidderdale AONB.
- 16th October – Northern Group AONBs site visit, Nidderdale AONB.
- 19th October – Conference 2010 teleconference.
- 21st October – NAAONB Board meeting, Birmingham.

FUTURE MEETINGS

- 27th October – CAN DO meeting, Helmsley.
- 5th November – JAC meeting.
- 5th November – SDF Steering Group.
- 12th November – CE Electric – DPCR5 planning meeting, Northallerton.
- 12th November – AONB Team Annual Action Programme meeting.
- 26th November – SDF Panel, Helmsley.
- 27th November – Natural England Landscape Conference, York.
- 1st December – LEADER Support Group, Helmsley.
- 2nd December – NYCC Change & Improvement workshop, Selby.
- 3rd December – SDF Steering Group, Helmsley.
- 11th December – Ranger Team 3 Liaison meeting, Helmsley.
- 15th December – Core Funders Group.
- 17th February – AONB Team Annual Action Programme meeting.
- 23rd February – Native Woodland Development Officer Steering Group, Helmsley.
- 4th March – Hambleton DC Committee Briefing, Northallerton.
- 23rd March – NYMNP/HHAONB/NYCC Highways Liaison meeting, Helmsley.
- 25th March – JAC meeting?

Monthly project update meetings with Liz and Mark Antcliff.

Monthly AONB Team meetings.

6-weekly NYCC NET meetings.

FUTURE NAAONB

- 11th February – NAAONB Board meeting, London.

SITE VISITS

- 11th May – Tour of AONB to look at past projects, future projects, building development, etc, etc.
- 13th May – Proposed 18m wind turbine site, Grimston.
- 13th May – Planning application site visit, Coulton.
- 20th May – Planning application site visit, Skewsby.
- 23rd June – Transformer installation options/repairs to Gatehouses, Howsham Hall.
- 23rd June – Proposed 5-caravan site, Coneysthorpe.
- 11th August – Tour of AONB to look at building development, gateway signs, felling applications, planning applications (2), etc, etc.
- 11th September – Planning application site visit, Brandsby and bridleway route diversions, Gilling.
- 16th September – Fencing problems, Cawton Bank and planning application site visit, Yearsley.
- 25th September – Transformer installation options, Howsham Hall/Mill.
- 1st October – Rhododendron control work, Yearsley Moor plantation.
- 19th October – Wiganthorpe Park wall and stone suppliers, to assess topstones options.

FUTURE SITE VISITS

PROJECTS

- **31st March – Helen Phillips (CEO Natural England) visit to Howardian Hills.**
- **29th May – Sent Adopted Management Plan to Defra.**
- 29th May – Submitted Natural England final grant claim.
- **July – Interviewing for new NAAONB CEO.**
- **September/October – published final printed version of Management Plan, CD, etc**
- SEE SEPARATE TABLE FOR LIST OF PROJECTS GRANT AIDED

FUTURE PROJECTS

- **30th October – distribute final printed Management Plan/CD copies, etc. Upload final versions to AONB website.**

CONSULTATIONS

- SEE SEPARATE TABLE FOR FULL DETAILS OF CONSULTATIONS RECEIVED.

PROMOTION/PUBLICITY/ INTERPRETATION

- Updating of AONB display banners.
- Preparation and publication of Annual Report 2008/09.
- 26th July – Stand at National Parks Week launch, Danby (theme - 60th Anniversary of National Parks, Etc Act).
- 28th July – Ryedale Show.

FUTURE PROMOTION/PUBLICITY/ INTERPRETATION

- 14th November – Lime & Ice site visit, Yearsley Moor.

TRAINING

- 7th April – update on new Appraisal documentation, Northallerton.
- 12th May – FWAG Farm Walk; Fryup Dale – Reducing Diffuse Pollution.
- 15th September – Stress Management, Northallerton.
- 7th October – RFS/Woodland Trust PAWS Restoration event, Sproxton.
- 13th October – Management Course, Easingwold.
- 15th October – NAAONB Planning workshop, York.
- 23rd October – Management Course buddy meeting.

FUTURE TRAINING

- 28th October – Management Course, Easingwold.
- 9th November – Attendance Management course, Northallerton.
- 11th November – Management Course, Easingwold.
- 24th November – Management Course, Easingwold.
- 9th December – Management Course, Easingwold.
- 7th January – Management Course, Easingwold.
- 20th January – Management Course, Easingwold.
- Meetings with Management Course buddy, between each session.

MISCELLANEOUS

- Long weekends of Annual Leave, April & May.
- 30th April – Team Appraisals.
- 16th July – Appraisal, 1-to-1.
- 6th October – Appraisal, 6-month review.
- 3rd November – Team Appraisals, 6-month.

FUTURE MISCELLANEOUS

- 1st – 9th February – Skiing.