

**HOWARDIAN HILLS  
AREA OF OUTSTANDING NATURAL BEAUTY  
JOINT ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
4 APRIL 2013**

**AONB ACTION PROGRAMME 2012/13**

**1.0 PURPOSE OF REPORT**

- 1.1 To receive details of progress made on implementing the AONB Management Plan during 2012/13. The Action Programme for 2013/14, incorporating business planning requirements, is covered under a separate Report on this agenda.

**2.0 INTRODUCTION**

- 2.1 At each Spring meeting the JAC considers a report detailing the progress achieved on the Management Plan objectives. The Action Programme contains details of the progress made against the previous year's targets. The Action Programme covering detailed progress against 2012/13 targets is attached as Appendix 1 to this report.
- 2.2 A detailed Red/Amber/Green system has been put in place to monitor progress against annual targets, and analysis shows that 75% of the specific targets were either fully or substantially achieved, 8% were 25-75% achieved, 5% were less than 25% achieved and 12% were not progressed at all. Progress was also achieved against a further 1 Objective for which no specific Targets had been set, with 1 separate action being completed.
- 2.3 Statistically this is a similar performance to that of the previous year, which is pleasing given the various changes in staffing arrangements for the AONB Officer post. Targets where no action was completed were largely those that were overtaken by events, relied heavily on action from partner organisations or were/became lower relative priorities for the AONB Unit.
- 2.4 Targets that we had hoped to achieve progress on included entering details of hedges planted, etc onto a GIS database; fully revising the Local Landscape Priorities in the AONB Management Plan to include the Historic Landscape Characterisation information; and developing a mechanism to assess the condition of non-statutory Local Priority Sites. We have however started some of these tasks and are hopeful of making more substantive progress next year (and indeed completing those that are related to Management Plan review).

**3.0 SUSTAINABILITY**

- 3.1 Achievements this year included:
- Delivery of the Sustainable Development Fund, allocating £10,000 to projects for 2012/13 and £14,500 of advance approval for 2013/14 projects.
  - Calculating the approximate carbon balance of land management in the AONB – c.1.3m tonnes of carbon stored, and sequestering c. 86k tones/yr.
  - 2 Good Life events held, at Amotherby and Gilling.

**4.0 NATURAL ENVIRONMENT**

- 4.1 Achievements this year included:
- 6 SINCS re-surveyed, including a new site at Yearsley.
  - Carrying out 2 workdays with volunteers on 1 SINC.

- Implementing 3 schemes to plant 47 new hedgerow or in-field trees, as a continuation of the initiative started three years ago.
- Managing 8 grassland sites (all SINCs bar one).
- Surveying new and existing sites for knapweed broomrape and recording their locations by GPS.
- Managing 45 Special Interest Road Verges.
- Continuing clearance of rhododendron at Park Wood Fishponds SINC, generally with volunteers and contractor back-up to chip the brash.
- Controlling Himalayan balsam along approx. 5.8km of Wath Beck.
- Continuing to participate in the partnership focussed on the River Rye, to develop a project to tackle Himalayan balsam, river quality and sedimentation on a catchment scale.
- Preparing 2 Farm Environment Plans, and advising 3 other landowners/managers on ELS/HLS.
- Supporting 2 village/school wildlife enhancement projects, at Crayke and Welburn.
- Supporting pilot Geonauts sessions at Amotherby and Ampleforth schools, delivered by the North & East Yorkshire Geology Trust.

## **5.0 HISTORIC ENVIRONMENT**

### **5.1 Achievements this year included:**

- Starting to incorporate the results of the Historic Landscape Characterisation Survey into the AONB Management Plan Local Priorities sections.
- Passing information on the last 3 years of relevant AONB projects to NYCC for entry into the Historic Environment Record.
- Providing basic advice to 4 land managers.
- Supporting excavation of 2 important features in Gilling Castle Park, as part of the Yearsley Moor Archaeology Project.
- Completing work on 7 Local Priority Sites or other historic features. The most significant of these were restoration work to the ha-ha at Gilling Castle, tree clearance from a section of the former Gilling Castle park pale and renovation of guttering at Pond Farm, Crambe (Listed Building at Risk).
- A £2,500 contribution to the Ryedale DC LEADER Small-Scale Enhancements Scheme yielded £31,500 in project spend, on 10 heritage restoration projects in AONB villages.

## **6.0 LOCAL COMMUNITIES**

### **6.1 Achievements this year included:**

- Continuing our involvement with the LEADER Local Action Group.
- Community projects funded in 2 villages, including 1 Village Hall renovation project supported.
- Holding 2 Good Life events, in Amotherby and Gilling.
- Supporting the Ryedale Rural Awards competition and prize-giving event.
- Referring Parish Council enquiries to the Ryedale LEADER Small Scale Enhancements Scheme, to obtain project funding.

## **7.0 AGRICULTURE**

### **7.1 Achievements this year included:**

- Providing HLS/ELS advice to 3 farmers and land managers; preparing 2 Farm Environment Plans for HLS.
- Completing 8 landscape enhancement schemes involving 700m of hedge planting/gapping-up, 10 new hedgerow trees, 40m of field wall restoration and 280m of wall-side scrub removal.

- Submitting responses to planning consultations for 26 new agricultural buildings or infrastructure.
- Preparing Design Guidance on New Agricultural Buildings & Infrastructure.

## **8.0 FORESTRY AND WOODLAND**

### 8.1 Achievements this year included:

- Continuing to fund the Native Woodland Development Officer post.
- Inputting to the Forestry Commission's Woodland Uplift Calculator exercise, which was part of the Government's response to the Independent Panel on Forestry's report.
- Scrutinising 9 Forestry Commission English Woodland Grant Scheme consultations.

## **9.0 DEVELOPMENT**

### 9.1 Achievements this year included:

- Scrutinising 124 development control consultations – full details of Development statistics for the AONB in 2012 are given in a separate Report on this agenda.
- Progressing undergrounding of overhead electricity wires in Bulmer.
- Inputting to the development of the Ryedale Local Development Framework.
- Providing advice on 3 renewable energy schemes, and scrutinising 1 planning consultation.

## **10.0 ROADS, TRANSPORT AND TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT**

### 10.1 Achievements this year included:

- Scrutinising 42 development control consultations.
- Inputting to the Timber Freight Quality Partnership consultation of timber access routes.
- Submitting design guidance for the Howardian Hills AONB, to be included as an appendix in the NYCC Construction Manual.
- Installing 5 renovated traditional direction signs in the Newburgh/Oulston/Yearsley area.

## **11.0 RECREATION, ACCESS AND TOURISM**

### 11.1 Achievements this year included:

- Scrutinising 7 development control consultations.
- Participating in the LEADER area local Distinctiveness project 'Moors and More'.
- Developing a Green Traveller Guide to the Howardian Hills, using some residual Area Tourism Partnership money.
- Developing an Outdoors leaflet with the North York Moors National Park and Welcome to Yorkshire, featuring some of our walking and cycling routes.
- A team of at least 4 volunteers working with the NYCC Area Ranger at least 1 day every other week in the AONB on Public Rights of Way maintenance, up until October 2012.
- Inputting to an NYCC mountain bike route leaflet based on Hovingham.
- Working with Castle Howard to publish guides for 2 mountain bike routes at Welburn and Coneysthorpe.
- Comprehensive survey of car parking carried out as part of the Visitors & Users' Survey.
- Litter picking at 'hot-spots' throughout the AONB.

## **12.0 AWARENESS AND PROMOTION**

### 12.1 Achievements this year included:

- Maintaining a neat appearance around the AONB gateway signs.
- Ensuring that outlets had an adequate stock of AONB literature.
- Publishing AONB News and our Annual Report for 2011/12.
- Maintaining the AONB website – 6,550 Visits by 5,388 Unique Visitors. Obtained media coverage via 34 press mentions worth £42,000.
- Hosting a travel writer from The Guardian, who took a 2-day route through the AONB from Kirkham to Crayke.
- Attending the Ryedale Show.
- Holding 1 guided walk and giving 2 evening talks.
- Installing the first 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary log seat, with an accompanying press release and photo. Securing the timber for the remaining benches, asking Parish Councils for suggested locations and exploring different methods of installation.
- Completing a comprehensive Visitors & Users' Survey.
- Holding 3 Junior Ranger Club sessions throughout the year, with 39 children attending.
- Completing Round 2 and starting Round 3 of the LEADER and Heritage Lottery Fund-supported Rural:Urban Schools Twinning Project, completing 15 Round 2 visits and 8 Round 3 visits.
- Achieving volunteer assistance for 9 tasks or projects, worth at least 139 days or £12,300.

## **13.0 IMPLEMENTATION**

### 13.1 Achievements this year included:

- The Sustainable Development Fund had a budget of £20,000. It was again delivered with technical assistance from the North York Moors National Park Authority.
- Utilising the Defra Single Pot funding arrangements to ensure maximum leverage of funds into the AONB.
- The CAN DO Partnership's Lime and Ice Project continued with the Yearsley Moor archaeology project. Underspent HLF money was drawn-down to fund excavation work on a section of the Gilling Castle park pale and the site of a mill.
- The partnership with the National Park Authority and Forestry Commission to employ a Native Woodland Development Officer continued.
- Obtaining substantial leverage from our contribution to the Ryedale LEADER Small Scale Enhancements Scheme (£31,500 of projects for a £2,500 contribution).
- Obtaining a contribution from the Hambleton DC Natural Environment Grant Scheme for rhododendron clearance work on a SINC near Yearsley.
- Participating in continuing partnerships focussed on the River Rye (Himalayan balsam control; reducing channel sedimentation) and the northern/eastern segments of the AONB (B-Lines project).
- Developing a Reserves Strategy to utilise our resources most efficiently in delivering Management Plan Objectives and practical conservation projects.
- Liz Bassindale returned from Maternity Leave in September 2012, with Francesca Pert having moved to a new job at the beginning of August 2012. Rebecca Thompson seconded from North York Moors National Park Authority for 1 day per week from November 2012, to backfill reduction in Liz's hours.

## **14.0 AONB MANAGEMENT PLAN**

14.1 Achievements this year included:

- Revising the invite lists, contacting 60-70 stakeholders and arranging dates for the 8 Management Plan review Topic Groups.

## **15.0 NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR AONBs**

15.1 Achievements this year included:

- Co-hosting the national AONB Conference in York.
- Attending 2 Northern AONBs Group meetings and 1 seminar.
- Attending the NAAONB AGM and the Northern AONBs Chairmens' meeting.

## **16.0 RECOMMENDATION**

It is recommended that:

- a) The progress made to date with implementing the Management Plan be noted;
- b) the achievements against Targets for 2012/13 be noted.

## HOWARDIAN HILLS AONB ACTION PROGRAMME

2012/13

The crosses indicate any specific periods during which the activity is likely to be undertaken.  
Targets that have an 'on-going' nature have no time period allocated.

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| <b>AONB's contribution to climate change adaptation/mitigation, and impacts of climate change</b><br>SF1.1 Carbon balance of land use activity in the AONB.<br>SF1.2 Map of green infrastructure.<br>SF1.3 Gather information on the impacts of climate change on the AONB's Special Qualities.   | ~ Calculate the carbon balance of rural land use in the AONB, using figures from the CALM assessments.<br>~ Continue to enter JAC-funded activity onto GIS map layers.<br>–            | XXXXX        | XXXXX       | XXXXX     | XXXXX     | ~ Completed. Carbon stock of c.1.3m tonnes; annual sequestering of c.86k tonnes.<br>~ Paper files being rationalised as a separate exercise, which reduces shelf space and will assist subsequent digitisation. |
| <b>Promote sustainability, and support projects</b><br>SF2.1 Ecosystem approach to guide consultation responses and assess projects.<br>SF2.2 Publicise tips on sustainable living.<br>SF2.3 Demonstrate examples of good sustainability.<br>SF2.4 Support projects using Sustainable Development Fund (SDF).<br>SF2.5 Environmental policy for the JAC's own activities. | –<br>~ Maintain and update the AONB website page as necessary.<br>–<br>~ Continue to operate the SDF as a separate funding pot, to support innovative and best practice projects.<br>– | XXXXX        | XXXXX       | XXXXX     | XXXXX     | ~ Good Life events held in Amotherby, Gilling in April & May '12. Fliers taken to Ryedale Funding Fair Nov '12.<br>~ Achieved.  |

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| <b>Knowledge of wildlife resources and possible climate change impacts</b><br>NE1.1 Rolling programme of SINC monitoring.<br>NE1.2 Detailed surveys of specific habitats or species.<br>NE1.3 Assist farmers, land managers and communities with monitoring wildlife.<br>NE1.4 Research climate change resilience of key AONB habitats.<br>NE1.5 Digitise Phase 1 maps of the AONB. | ~ Assist with NYCC monitoring survey, as necessary.<br>~ Include Foss Spring Mire in 2012 SINC survey programme.<br>~ Feed actions achieved in the AONB in 2011/12 into BARS.<br>-<br>-                 | XXXXX        | XXXXX<br><br>XXXXX | XXXXX              |                    | ~ Land ownership information provided. 5 sites surveyed.<br>~ Achieved – surveyed in summer '12.<br>~ List completed but issues with inputting data into BARS II database.   |
| <b>Key nature conservation sites</b><br>NE2.1 Maintain and update a register of key sites.<br>NE2.2 Protect best sites through designation.<br>NE2.3 Resist development proposals that may affect key sites.<br>NE2.4 Ensure farmers and landowners are aware of the existence of sites.  | ~ Continue with work with NYMNP and RDC on Heritage Trees.<br>~ Carry out survey of Newburgh Park.<br>~ Assess Foss Spring Mire for SINC status.<br>~ Respond as necessary, via JAC consultations.<br>- | XXXXX        | XXXXX              | XXXXX<br><br>XXXXX | XXXXX<br><br>XXXXX | ~ Not progressed.<br>~ Survey of Newburgh Priory Park being pursued. Transfer to 2013/14.<br>~ Information on habitats provided to Natural England for BD2020 strategy.<br>~ Being assessed by SINC Panel, following survey. Site size below 0.25ha minimum though.<br>~ Comments submitted in 1 planning consultation response. |
| <b>Local participation in nature conservation sites</b><br>NE3.1 Local involvement with monitoring and management of wildlife.  | ~ Carry out management works with volunteers on 3 SINC's.   |              | XXXXX              |                    | XXXXX              | ~ Work carried out adjacent to Park Wood Fishponds SINC x 2.   |

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| <p><b>Implementation of Local BAP targets for woodland habitats</b></p> <p>NE4.1 Management of Local Priority Sites.</p> <p>NE4.2 Extension and buffering of Local Priority Sites.</p> <p>NE4.3 Restoration of Plantations on Ancient Woodland Sites.</p> <p>NE4.4 Creation of new native woodland/wood pasture/species-rich hedges/individual trees.</p> <p>NE4.5 Creation of wet woodland and marshy grassland.</p> | <p>~ Continue rhododendron/Western hemlock control works in Park Wood Fishponds and Piper Hill Plantation SINC.</p> <p>~ Encourage via EWGS/ESS consultations and advice of Native Woodland Development Officer.</p> <p>~ Encourage via EWGS consultations and advice of Native Woodland Development Officer.</p> <p>~ Plant 25 new individual in-field and hedgerow trees.</p> <p>~ Encourage via EWGS/ESS consultations and advice of Native Woodland Development Officer.</p> |              |             | XXXXX     | XXXXX          | <p>~ Chipping of rhododendron brash x 3, adj to Park Wood Fishponds SINC; Removal of Western Hemlock from bankside adjacent to Park Wood Fishponds SINC. 2 volunteer task-days completed adjacent to Park Wood Fishponds SINC.</p> <p>~ No relevant schemes.</p> <p>~ 9.2ha restored in 3 locations, including Coneysthorpe Banks and Ox Carr &amp; Ben Woods SINC.</p> <p>~ 57 individual trees planted: in major schemes at Yearsley, Crambe, Dalby; as part of hedge planting schemes at Stearsby, Welburn, Brandsby, Oswaldkirk.</p> <p>~ No relevant schemes.</p> |
| <p><b>Implementation of Local BAP targets for grassland habitats</b></p> <p>NE5.1 Management of Local Priority Sites.</p> <p>NE5.2 Extension and buffering of Local Priority Sites.</p> <p>NE5.3 Special Interest Road Verges.</p> <p>NE5.4 Restoration of grassland and lowland heath.</p> <p>NE5.5 Creation of new grassland habitats.</p>  | <p>~ Continue to facilitate conservation management of grassland SINC and other sites, by grazing or other means.</p> <p>~ Encourage via ESS consultations and advice to farmers &amp; land managers.</p> <p>~ Carry out management works on 40 SIRVs.</p> <p>~ Control Western hemlock and rhododendron on Grimston Moor and Piper Hill Plantation SINC.</p> <p>~ Encourage via ESS consultations and advice to farmers &amp; land managers.</p>                                | XXXXX        | XXXXX       | XXXXX     | XXXXX<br>XXXXX | <p>~ 8 sites grazed, at Coulton (3), Cawton (2), Terrington (2), Bulmer.</p> <p>~ Appleton-le-Street Churchyard SINC managed.</p> <p>~ Field above Cawton Bank surveyed as part of HLS FEP.</p> <p>~ 45 SIRVs cut, Mar '13.</p> <p>~ Decided to leave Grimston Moor another year, to let seedlings come up a bit more.</p> <p>~ Supported HLS application at Crayke.</p> <p>~ Advice provided to landowner at Yearsley.</p> <p>~ Advice provided to schemes at Welburn School, Kirkham. Buglife's B-Lines project successful with bid for SITA funding.</p>            |



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| <p><b>Implementation of Local BAP targets for wetland habitats</b></p> <p>NE6.1 Management of Local Priority Sites.</p> <p>NE6.2 Extension and buffering of Local Priority Sites.</p> <p>NE6.3 Restoration of sites that have declined in interest.</p> <p>NE6.4 Creation of new habitat.</p> | <p>~ Manage birch at Terrington Carr SINC.</p> <p>~ Encourage via ESS consultations and advice to farmers &amp; land managers.</p> <p>–</p> <p>~ Encourage via ESS consultations and advice to farmers &amp; land managers.</p> <p>~ Continue input to initiative on breeding waders in Coxwold/Newburgh area, with preparation of 1 FEP.</p>   |              | <p>XXXXX</p> <p>XXXXX</p>              | <p>XXXXX</p> |              | <p>~ Work completed summer '12.</p> <p>~ Cawton Fens surveyed as part of HLS FEP.</p> <p>~ Supported HLS application at Terrington Carr SINC.</p> <p>~ Land adjacent to Foxfoot Hay SINC surveyed as part of HLS FEP.</p> <p>~ Wet grassland habitats created near Byland as part of HLS agreement.</p> <p>~ Preparation of HLS FEP for land at Byland. Application prepared by RSPB.</p>  |
| <p><b>Implementation of Local BAP targets for important species</b></p> <p>NE7.1 Management of key sites for specific species.</p> <p>NE7.2 Restoration or creation of sites.</p> <p>NE7.3 Local Target Areas and co-ordinated management measures.</p>                                       | <p>~ Manage grassland for knapweed broomrape at Amotherby Lane SINC.</p> <p>~ Investigate old quarry adjacent to Swinton Lane population of knapweed broomrape.</p> <p>~ Record locations of principal knapweed broomrape colonies using GPS.</p> <p>~ Carry out formative pruning of black poplar at Stonegrave, to develop a tree form and also cuttings material.</p> <p>~ Encourage via ESS consultations and advice to farmers &amp; land managers.</p> <p>~ Continue input to initiative on breeding waders in Coxwold/Newburgh area, with preparation of 1 FEP (see NE6.4).</p> <p>~ Continue to support the Campaign for the Farmed Environment, encouraging use of options to benefit farmland bird species.</p> |              | <p>XXXXX</p> <p>XXXXX</p> <p>XXXXX</p> | <p>XXXXX</p> | <p>XXXXX</p> | <p>~ Site cut, autumn '12; new knapweed plants inspected and growing well.</p> <p>~ Achieved Autumn '12 - 1 new spike found.</p> <p>~ Completed Autumn '12; downloading awaited. Data to be sent to N &amp; E Yorkshire Ecological Datacentre.</p> <p>~ Tree assessed – some formative pruning is possible to create a better shape.</p> <p>~ No relevant schemes.</p> <p>~ Contributed to grant bid for River Rye corridor, based on Alcatloe bat presence at Helmsley.</p> <p>~ See NE6.4</p> <p>~ Events advertised on AONB website; Agents event attended Dec '12.</p> |

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| <p><b>Invasive non-native species</b></p> <p>NE8.1 Monitor location and abundance.</p> <p>NE8.2 Targeted management efforts.</p>  | <p>~ Survey Wath Beck main channel, to monitor efficiency of 3 years' work to control Himalayan balsam.</p> <p>~ Participate in the Revitalising the River Rye project, to survey and control Himalayan balsam in whole catchment (see IM1.1).</p> <p>~ Monitor condition of Piper Hill Plantation and Park Wood Fishponds SINC, following work to control rhododendron.</p> <p>~ Re-cut the length of Wath Beck corridor that was cut in '09, '10 &amp; '11 (Himalayan balsam).</p> <p>~ Participate in the Revitalising the River Rye project, to survey and control Himalayan balsam in whole Rye catchment (see IM1.1).</p> <p>~ See FW6.4 for actions to control rhododendron and Western hemlock.</p> | <p>XXXXX</p> <p>XXXXX</p> | <p>XXXXX</p> <p>XXXXX</p> | <p>XXXXX</p> |              | <p>~ Survey not carried out. Density assumed to have reduced, as follow-up work reduced in cost again. Contractors reported new patch by Swinsey Carr Wood SINC.</p> <p>~ See IM1.1.</p> <p>~ Spraying completed at Park Wood Fishponds SINC in late summer '13 and appears to be working.</p> <p>~ Achieved, Jul '12. 5.8km stretch cut.</p> <p>~ See IM1.1.</p> <p>~ See FW6.4.</p> |
| <p><b>More sympathetic management of farmland</b></p> <p>NE9.1 Target sites for entry into the Higher Level Stewardship Scheme.</p> <p>NE9.2 Encourage participation in the Entry Level Stewardship Scheme.</p> | <p>~ Provide advice to farmers &amp; land managers, as appropriate.</p> <p>~ Complete 2 FEPs for land in the AONB.</p> <p>~ Continue to work with the Campaign for the Farmed Environment, to encourage participation.</p>  | <p>XXXXX</p>              | <p>XXXXX</p>              | <p>XXXXX</p> | <p>XXXXX</p> | <p>~ Advice provided to landowners/managers at Grimston, Ampleforth, Barton-le-Street.</p> <p>~ FEPS completed for farms at Hovingham, Byland.</p> <p>~ Relevant information/events posted to AONB website; attended Agents briefing event Dec '12.</p>   |
| <p><b>Implementation of Local BAP targets for wildlife within villages</b></p> <p>NE10.1 Raise awareness and assist communities with creating and managing areas for wildlife.</p>                              | <p>~ Work with Ampleforth Millennium Green group on potential project.</p>  | <p>XXXXX</p>              | <p>XXXXX</p>              |              |              | <p>~ Project didn't proceed.</p> <p>~ Advice provided for schemes at Welburn School, Crayke School.</p>   |
| <p><b>Important geodiversity sites</b></p> <p>NE11.1 Develop a network of RIGS.</p> <p>NE11.2 Manage sites identified as RIGS.</p> <p>NE11.3 Resist development proposals.</p>                                  | <p>~ Assist with NEYGT and NYGP survey programmes, as necessary.</p> <p>~ Respond as necessary, via JAC consultations.</p>  |                           |                           |              |              | <p>~ No survey programme proposed, as far as is known.</p> <p>~ Geology Trust Geonauts pilot schemes at Amotherby and Ampleforth schools supported with SDF.</p> <p>~ No relevant applications.</p>   |

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| <b>Assistance to farmers and land managers</b><br>NE12.1 Assist with applications to grant schemes.<br>NE12.2 Flexible package of assistance.<br>NE12.3 Demonstrate 'best practice'.<br>NE12.4 Skills training initiatives.  | ~ See NE9 and FW2.<br>~ See appropriate Objectives above.<br>-<br>-   |              |             |           |           |   |
| <b>Knowledge of the cultural heritage of AONB</b><br>HE1.1 Historic Landscape Characterisation survey.<br>HE1.2 Revise the Local Landscape Priorities, after HLC survey.<br>HE1.3 Research projects.<br>HE1.4 Regular surveys of built heritage.<br>HE1.5 Recording local history and traditions and passing information to the HER.<br>HE1.6 Annual forum to discuss research and priorities. | ~ Revise the relevant sections in the AONB Management Plan.<br>~ See HE3.2.<br>~ Participate in update of Castle Howard Historic Estate Management Plan, as appropriate (see HE4.4).<br>~ See HE3.2.<br>~ Pass information on 2009/10 - 2011/12 projects to HER Officer.<br>- |              | XXXXX       | XXXXX     | XXXXX     | ~ Data obtained from NYCC HER Officer. Some initial trial work completed.<br>~ See HE4.4<br>~ Completed.  |
| <b>Statutory protection</b><br>HE2.1 Input to Heritage Protection Review.  | ~ As necessary, dependent upon any revival of legislative process.  |              |             |           |           | ~ Legislative framework not progressed by Government.   |
| <b>Local participation in cultural heritage sites</b><br>HE3.1 Local involvement in monitoring and management of cultural heritage features.<br>HE3.2 CAN DO 'Lime and Ice' Project.   | ~ Carry out management works with volunteers on 2 sites.<br>~ Continue input to Yearsley Moor Archaeology Project.<br>~ Participate in other Lime and Ice initiatives being delivered in the AONB.  | XXXXX        | XXXXX       | XXXXX     | XXXXX     | ~ Supported excavation work carried out by YMAP volunteers on mill and park pale in Gilling Castle Park.<br>~ Management work carried out on Gilling Castle Park pale.<br>~ See HE3.1 above.<br>~ Attended launch of new Lime & Ice exhibition at Sutton Bank Visitor Centre. |

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| <p><b>Preserve AONB's historic heritage</b></p> <p>HE4.1 Historic landscape conservation and management advice.</p> <p>HE4.2 Encourage entry into agri-environment schemes.</p> <p>HE4.3 Heritage Partnership Agreements.</p> <p>HE4.4 Conservation/management plans for Historic Parks and Gardens.</p> <p>HE4.5 Flexible package of assistance.</p> <p>HE4.6 Demonstrate 'best practice'.</p> <p>HE4.7 Skills training initiatives.</p> | <p>~ Provide advice to farmers &amp; land managers, as appropriate.</p> <p>~ See NE9 above.</p> <p>~ Address management issues on 5 SMs at High or Medium Risk.</p> <p>~ Install kerbing to protect long barrow at Grimstone.</p> <p>~ Participate in update of Castle Howard Historic Estate Management Plan, as appropriate.</p> <p>~ Participate in preparation of Newburgh Priory Estate Plan, as appropriate.</p> <p>~ Utilise RDC LEADER scheme for works in AONB villages.</p> <p>~ Carry out management or repair works on 5 Local Priority Sites or historic features.</p> <p>~ Use AONB resources in partnership with NYCC/RDC LEADER SSES to carry out works on 1 Listed Building at Risk.</p> <p>~ Commence conservation works on the Gate Lodges at Howsham Hall.</p> <p>~ Carry out management works to conserve former deer park pale at Gilling Castle.</p> <p>~ Publicise National Heritage Training Group courses on AONB website.</p> | <p>XXXXX</p> <p>XXXXX</p> <p>XXXXX</p> <p>XXXXX</p> <p>XXXXX</p> <p>XXXXX</p> <p>XXXXX</p> <p>XXXXX</p> <p>XXXXX</p> <p>XXXXX</p> | <p>XXXXX</p> <p>XXXXX</p> <p>XXXXX</p> <p>XXXXX</p> <p>XXXXX</p> <p>XXXXX</p> <p>XXXXX</p> <p>XXXXX</p> <p>XXXXX</p> <p>XXXXX</p> | <p>XXXXX</p> <p>XXXXX</p> <p>XXXXX</p> <p>XXXXX</p> <p>XXXXX</p> <p>XXXXX</p> <p>XXXXX</p> <p>XXXXX</p> <p>XXXXX</p> <p>XXXXX</p> | <p>XXXXX</p> <p>XXXXX</p> <p>XXXXX</p> <p>XXXXX</p> <p>XXXXX</p> <p>XXXXX</p> <p>XXXXX</p> <p>XXXXX</p> <p>XXXXX</p> <p>XXXXX</p> <p>XXXXX</p> | <p>~ Advice provided to land managers at Grimston, Coulton, Newburgh, Hovingham.</p> <p>~ Comments submitted on 3 relevant planning applications.</p> <p>~ Round Barrow at Hovingham included in FEP.</p> <p>~ No progress.</p> <p>~ Site meeting held with EH; generic SMC form being developed; kerbing options being explored.</p> <p>~ Draft plan scrutinised.</p> <p>~ 10 projects funded in AONB. £31,500 project spend for £2,500 contribution.</p> <p>~ Work completed on Local Priority Sites at Wiganthorpe (x 2 sites), Gilling Castle (x 2 sites), Skewsby, Crambe. Work on other sites/features at Crayke; mileposts.</p> <p>~ Pond Farm, Crambe – volunteers completed work on gable end and privy. Guttering repairs supported with AONB grant.</p> <p>~ No progress. Letter sent by RDC to owners.</p> <p>~ Western hemlock regeneration cleared by volunteers on 1 task.</p> <p>~ As and when received.</p> <p>~ Conservation course at Pond Farm circulated to potential attendee.</p> |

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| <p><b>Assist local communities with projects</b></p> <p>LC1.1 Lobby Government on rural issues.</p> <p>LC1.2 Pass information from community/consultation events to the relevant organisation/ agency.</p> <p>LC1.3 Innovative service delivery mechanisms.</p> <p>LC1.4 Encourage Parish Plans.</p> <p>LC1.5 Implementation of identified projects.</p> <p>LC1.6 Link communities to advice on funding.</p> <p>LC1.7 AONB Village Forum.</p> | <p>~ As necessary, via input to NAAONB consultations.</p> <p>~ Continue to attend Development Officers' meetings.</p> <p>~ Monitor proposals for further changes to the network of rural Post Office services.</p> <p>–</p> <p>~ Liaise with RAY &amp; other organisations.</p> <p>~ Restore 4 village name signs.</p> <p>~ Liaise with RAY &amp; other organisations.</p> <p>~ Promote LEADER/AONB funding for village enhancement works.</p> <p>~ Contribute to any advice events held in AONB villages.</p> <p>~ Continue to invite Parish Councils to the AONB Partnership Group meeting.</p> | <p>XXXXX</p>              | <p>XXXXX</p>              | <p>XXXXX</p> | <p>XXXXX</p> | <p>~ No relevant consultations.</p> <p>~ Attended meetings, every 6-8 weeks.</p> <p>~ Hovingham believed to have been scoped for a mobile service.</p> <p>~ RAY project developed for 13/14.</p> <p>~ Good Life events held – Amotherby, Gilling, Village Hall projects at Appleton-le-Street (Amotherby); participated in Ryedale Rural Awards judging.</p> <p>~ Scackleton village group steered to Ryedale LEADER SSES for 2013.</p> <p>~ Good Life events in Amotherby, April '12; Gilling, May '12. Meet The Funder event – Nov '12. Shared a stand at Ryedale Show.</p> <p>~ Passed Amotherby Church inquiry to RDC.</p> <p>~ No events held.</p> <p>~ Achieved, April '12.</p> |
| <p><b>Government support mechanisms for sustainable farm and rural business development</b></p> <p>AG1.1 Lobby on the development of rural support mechanisms and agri-environment schemes.</p> <p>AG1.2 Funding for the Howardian Hills AONB.</p> <p>AG1.3 Promote rural support mechanisms to farmers and landowners.</p>   | <p>~ As necessary, via NAAONB consultations. In particular, monitor developments in new CAP proposals.</p> <p>~ Ensure that the AONB is included as a Target Area within relevant strategies/Schemes.</p> <p>~ As opportunities arise. See also NE9 above.</p>  |                           |                           |              |              | <p>~ Input via NAAONB to renewal of State Aids Notifications, CAP reform lobbying of MEPS.</p> <p>~ CAN DO area initially included in LNP as a Priority Area.</p>   |
| <p><b>Conservation advice and assistance</b></p> <p>AG2.1 Provide specialist advice within the AONB.</p> <p>AG2.2 Flexible package of assistance for small-scale conservation projects.</p> <p>AG2.3 Demonstrate 'best practice'.</p> <p>AG2.4 Skills training initiatives.</p>   | <p>~ Provide advice to farmers &amp; land managers, as appropriate.</p> <p>~ Assist 5 landscape conservation projects with AONB funding.</p> <p>~ Start 1 new major stone wall restoration project.</p> <p>–</p> <p>~ Participate in any events arising from the Revitalising the River Rye project.</p>  | <p>XXXXX</p> <p>XXXXX</p> | <p>XXXXX</p> <p>XXXXX</p> | <p>XXXXX</p> | <p>XXXXX</p> | <p>~ 2 HLS FEPs prepared; Advice provided to farmers at Gilling, Oswaldkirk, Yearsley.</p> <p>~ Schemes completed at Cawton, Oulston, Brandsby (x 3), Stearsby, Oswaldkirk, Welburn. 700m of new hedge/gaps replanted. 40m of stone wall rebuilt; 280m of wall cleared of scrub.</p> <p>~ Schemes completed at Brandsby, Oulston. Another scheme at Brandsby started.</p> <p>~ See IM1.1.</p>   |

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| <b>Sustainable alternative farm enterprises</b><br>AG3.1 Positive approach to planning control.<br>AG3.2 Participation in regional climate change mitigation schemes.<br>AG3.3 Local climate change adaptation schemes.   | ~ Respond as necessary, via JAC consultations.<br>~ Encourage, as opportunities arise.<br>-  |              |             |           |           | ~ No objection to 3 projects in planning consultation responses.<br>~ Initiatives being monitored.  |
| <b>New farm buildings and infrastructure</b><br>AG4.1 High standards of design, siting and landscaping measures.<br><br>AG4.2 Produce basic design guidance.  | ~ Respond as necessary, via JAC consultations.<br><br>~ Produce guidance and circulate to District Councils.   | XXXXX        | XXXXX       | XXXXX     |           | ~ 26 cases. Comments submitted on 20 proposals; Objections or Serious Reservations with 3 proposals. 10 schemes Approved; 12 schemes Approved with suggested amendments/Conditions; 4 Decisions pending.<br>~ NYMNP Design Guide used as a template. Discussed at Oct '12 JAC; amended version prepared for Apr '13 JAC approval. |
| <b>Woodland management proposals</b><br>FW1.1 Consultation procedure between JAC and Forestry Commission.<br>FW1.2 Encourage 'continuous cover' schemes.  | ~ Maintain, and respond to JAC consultations as necessary.<br>~ As appropriate, via JAC consultations.   |              |             |           |           | ~ 9 consultations on specific woodland management/planting schemes received.<br>~ No relevant schemes.  |
| <b>Multi-objective approach to woodland management</b><br>FW2.1 Management in accordance with the UK Forestry Standard.<br>FW2.2 Use of the English Woodland Grant Scheme and Environmental Stewardship Scheme.<br>FW2.3 Encouragement to achieve UKWAS certification.  | ~ On-going.<br>~ As opportunities arise.<br>-  |              |             |           |           | ~ No relevant schemes.<br><br>~ No relevant schemes.  |
| <b>Local provenance trees and shrubs</b><br>FW3.1 Susceptibility of native trees and shrub species to climate change.<br>FW3.2 Planting stock of appropriate provenance.<br><br>FW3.3 Incorporation of natural regeneration.<br>FW3.4 Work with local forest nurseries. | -<br><br>~ Respond as necessary, via JAC consultations.<br><br>~ Respond as necessary, via JAC consultations.<br>~ Propagate a further batch of black poplar cuttings at Castle Howard Tree Nursery. |              |             |           | XXXXX     | ~ Will have been used as part of 9.2ha of PAWS restoration schemes.<br>~ Local provenance oak used for in-field and boundary tree planting schemes (see NE4.4).<br>~ No relevant schemes.<br><br>~ Not progressed – donor tree at Stonegrave needs pruning to make cuttings material more accessible.                             |

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| <b>Alternative markets for timber products</b><br>FW4.1 Encourage small-scale woodfuel heating systems and develop a woodfuel market.<br>FW4.2 Use of timber in local industries.<br>FW4.3 Demonstrate on-site processing equipment.  | ~ Respond as necessary, via JAC consultations.<br>–<br>–   |              |                |                |                | ~ Sycamore included in 1 relevant replanting scheme, specifically for woodfuel.   |
| <b>New woodland</b><br>FW5.1 Use forestry grant procedures to advise on siting and design.<br>FW5.2 Promote the availability of advice and grant aid schemes.   | ~ Respond as necessary, via JAC consultations.<br>~ As opportunities arise, using Native Woodland Development Officer as appropriate.  |              |                |                |                | ~ No relevant schemes.<br>~ Input made to FC Woodland Uplift Calculator exercise.<br>~ No relevant schemes.<br>~ Supported Native Woodland Development Officer post and utilised for woodland advice.                   |
| <b>Grant incentives to achieve Management Plan Objectives</b><br>FW6.1 Grant incentives for annual PAWS restoration tasks.<br>FW6.2 Grant incentives for specific priority work, in line with the Regional Forestry Strategy.<br>FW6.3 'Scoring system' for new woodland.<br>FW6.4 Flexible package of assistance for small-scale conservation projects.<br>FW6.5 Continue Native Woodland Development Project. | –<br>~ Monitor the prioritisation of regional funding, to maximise opportunities for AONB land managers.<br>–<br>~ Carry out management work to control Western hemlock and rhododendron on FC land.<br>~ Continue financial support for Project, ensuring satisfactory input to AONB initiatives. | XXXXX        | XXXXX<br>XXXXX | XXXXX<br>XXXXX | XXXXX<br>XXXXX | ~ No relevant schemes.<br>~ Work carried out Park Wood Fishponds SINC (x 2).<br>~ Achieved. Organisation and delivery of in-field/boundary tree planting projects; monitoring of FC Register on behalf of AONB Manager. |
| <b>Demonstrate best practice/ skilled workforce</b><br>FW7.1 Local demonstration sites/events.<br>FW7.2 List of local contractors.<br>FW7.3 Promote woodland training courses and apprenticeships.  | –<br>–<br>–  |              |                |                |                |   |

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| <p><b>New development</b></p> <p>D1.1 Appropriate policies in all relevant Plans and Strategies.</p> <p>D1.2 Consultation arrangements.</p>   | <p>~ Monitor all new Policies and Strategies, submitting comments individually or via the NAAONB as appropriate, to ensure that the national significance of the AONB is safeguarded.</p> <p>~ Input to development of the Ryedale LDP, as necessary.</p> <p>~ Input to NAAONB responses on the National Planning Policy Framework, as necessary.</p> <p>~ Maintain, and respond to JAC consultations as necessary.</p>   | XXXXX        | XXXXX       |           |           | <p>~ 5 relevant consultations scrutinised and comments submitted where appropriate.</p> <p>~ Modifications document scrutinised, Feb '13.</p> <p>~ No further input required.</p> <p>~ 124 consultations received from NYCC, RDC, HDC or external agencies/contractors.</p>  |
| <p><b>Design of new development/ management of existing buildings</b></p> <p>D2.1 Rural Design standards.</p> <p>D2.2 Village Design Statements.</p> <p>D2.3 Guidance on sustainable building restoration techniques.</p> <p>D2.4 Conservation Area appraisals.</p> <p>D2.5 Assist with works identified in Conservation Area appraisals.</p> | <p>~ Input to development of the Ryedale LDP, as necessary (see D1.1).</p> <p>~ Publicise National Heritage Training Group courses on AONB website (see HE4.7).</p>   | XXXXX        | XXXXX       |           |           | <p>~ See D1.1.</p> <p>~ See HE4.7.</p> <p>~ Supported HDC initiative to carry out new survey of Listed Buildings to identify those at Risk.</p>  |
| <p><b>Mitigation of intrusive features</b></p> <p>D3.1 Local enhancement works to mitigate intrusive features.</p> <p>D3.2 Undergrounding of electricity cables.</p> <p>D3.3 Undergrounding telephone cables.</p> <p>D3.4 Resist increases in light or noise pollution.</p> <p>D3.5 Litter and fly-tipping.</p>                               | <p>~ Continue to attend Liaison Group meetings.</p> <p>~ Encourage implementation of at least 1 scheme in the AONB.</p> <p>~ Continue to liaise with BT Openreach over burying cables, both at Dalby and for new electricity cable undergrounding schemes.</p> <p>~ Respond as necessary, via JAC consultations.</p> <p>~ Continue litter clearance at car parks throughout the AONB.</p> <p>~ Report fly-tipping incidents to the District Councils, as necessary.</p> | XXXXX        | XXXXX       | XXXXX     | XXXXX     | <p>~ Attended meeting in Sept '12.</p> <p>~ Crayke completed; Bulmer at Wayleaves stage.</p> <p>~ Discussions continuing over scheme at Dalby.</p> <p>~ Joint project at Bulmer to be discussed.</p> <p>~ Comments submitted in 4 relevant planning consultation responses.</p> <p>~ Completed, ending Dec '12.</p> <p>~ No incidents noted.</p> |
| <p><b>Small-scale quarrying for local uses</b></p> <p>D4.1 Support appropriate planning applications.</p> <p>D4.2 Supplies of suitable stone for drystone wall restoration.</p>   | <p>~ As appropriate, via JAC consultations.</p> <p>~ Monitor development proposals and approach owners where appropriate in order to obtain suitable stone.</p>   |              |             |           |           | <p>~ No relevant applications.</p> <p>~ New farm building at Brandsby did not yield stone.</p> <p>~ Minerals LPA approached to use stone from small quarry at Scackleton to repair Wiganthorpe Park Wall. Not ruled to be de minimis.</p>  |



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| <b>Renewable energy installations</b><br>D5.1 Advice and guidance on appropriate technology and installations.<br><br>D5.2 Support appropriate proposals.<br><br>D5.3 Promote benefits of appropriate renewable energy and demonstrate examples of 'best practice'.   | ~ Provide advice to applicants and agents on suitability of proposals.<br><br>~ Input to development of the Ryedale LDP, as necessary (see D1.1).<br>~ Respond as necessary, via JAC consultations.<br>~ Consider including case study of wind turbine at Lodge Field Farm, Gilling in AONB News 2012. | XXXXX        | XXXXX       | XXXXX     |           | ~ Advice provided to farmers/residents/groups at Husthwaite, Gilling, Grimston.<br><br>~ See D1.1.<br><br>~ No objections to 1 relevant application.<br><br>~ Decided not to include it. |
| <b>Business and diversification opportunities</b><br>D6.1 Signposting to Business Link.<br>D6.2 Encourage local businesses via the CAN DO Partnership.  | ~ As appropriate.<br>~ Participate in any new rural tourism initiative that may stem from the Rural Economy Growth Review (see RA2.2).   |              |             |           |           | ~ See RA2.2  |
| <b>Re-use of redundant farm buildings</b><br>D7.1 Support appropriate proposals to re-use farm buildings.   | ~ Respond as necessary, via JAC consultations.   |              |             |           |           | ~ No objections to 3 relevant applications.  |
| <b>Modern communications technology</b><br>D8.1 Broadband and mobile phone installations.<br>D8.2 Liaise with Local Authorities and network operators.  | ~ Respond as necessary, via JAC consultations.<br>~ Obtain annual roll-out plans from District Councils.   |              |             | XXXXX     |           | ~ No relevant applications.<br><br>~ Not pursued.  |
| <b>Local needs/affordable housing</b><br>D9.1 Local Housing Needs Surveys.<br>D9.2 Further develop and adopt measures.<br>D9.3 Promote potential benefits of Local Needs housing.   | -<br>-<br>-  |              |             |           |           |  |
| <b>Solutions to traffic routing problems</b><br>RT1.1 Full-movement interchange at the A64/B1257 junction.<br><br>RT1.2 Weight restriction on the Castle Howard Avenue.<br><br>RT1.3 Investigate freight traffic issues in the AONB.<br><br>RT1.4 Freight Quality Partnerships, to address any issues identified. | ~ Monitor associated development proposals and input as necessary.<br><br>-<br>-<br><br>~ Scrutinise the Timber FQP consultation, inputting if appropriate.  |              |             |           |           | ~ No relevant new proposals.<br><br><br>~ Information on timber wagon access points provided to Timber Freight Quality Partnership consultation.   |

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| <b>Traffic and driver behaviour issues</b><br>RT2.1 Gather information on traffic speeds.<br>RT2.2 Regular programme of speed-checks in problem locations.<br>RT2.3 Local events to examine and address issues.  | ~ Obtain data on traffic speed monitoring carried out in AONB villages.<br>~ Obtain data on police traffic speed checks carried out in AONB villages.<br>-   |                            |                                 |                                 | XXXXX<br><br>XXXXX              | ~ 1 temporary check carried out - Ampleforth; 1 permanent check (B1257, Broughton Road, Malton).<br>~ Information awaited.   |
| <b>Sustainable modes of transport</b><br>RT3.1 Identify transport service, infrastructure and accessibility improvements.<br>RT3.2 Implementation of identified measures via SCTs.<br>RT3.3 Promote the availability of alternative transport services.<br>RT3.4 Workplace Travel Plans.<br>RT3.5 Development of next Local Transport Plan.                    | ~ Continue input to implementation of SCTs for Malton and Easingwold, as necessary.<br>-<br>-<br>~ Respond as necessary, via JAC consultations.<br>-   |                            |                                 |                                 |                                 | ~ No action needed.<br><br><br>~ No relevant applications.   |
| <b>Maintain character of rural road network</b><br>RT4.1 Liaison arrangements between the JAC and highway authority.<br>RT4.2 Design guidance for road signage, etc in the AONB.<br>RT4.3 Identify and reduce road sign 'clutter'.<br>RT4.4 Inventory of historic 'roadside furniture'.<br>RT4.5 Maintenance and restoration of historic 'roadside furniture'. | ~ Maintain, and respond to JAC consultations as necessary.<br>~ Contribute to on-going development of NYCC Construction Manual.<br>~ Rationalise signs where possible as part of traditional direction sign restoration programme.<br>~ Check that features have been recorded in National Street Gazetteer.<br>~ Restore 5 traditional direction signs. | XXXXX<br><br><br><br>XXXXX | XXXXX<br><br>XXXXX<br><br>XXXXX | XXXXX<br><br>XXXXX<br><br>XXXXX | XXXXX<br><br>XXXXX<br><br>XXXXX | ~ 42 consultations received (included in total shown in D1.2 above).<br>~ Attended meeting April '12. HHAONB Appendix prepared & submitted Feb '13.<br>~ 2 cycleway signs removed from traditional direction signs, as part of restorations.<br><br>~ All assets, including historic signs, have been photographed and recorded by NYCC on the NSG.<br>~ Restored signs installed at Husthwaite, Newburgh, Oulston, Yearsley (2); see also 2011/12.<br>~ Enquiry from PC about sign restoration at Terrington. |
| <b>A64 Trunk Road</b><br>RT5.1 Monitor future proposals and provide comments.  | ~ On-going, with involvement as and when necessary.  |                            |                                 |                                 |                                 | ~ Comments submitted on 1 scheme at High Hutton.   |
| <b>Sustainable recreation activities</b><br>RA1.1 Monitor sustainability of recreational activities in the AONB.<br>RA1.2 Use planning policies to encourage appropriate recreational developments.  | -<br><br>~ Respond as necessary, via JAC consultations.  |                            |                                 |                                 |                                 | ~ 7 cases. Comments submitted on 6 proposals; Objections or Serious Reservations with 0 proposals. 5 schemes Approved; 1 scheme Refused; 1 Decision pending.   |

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| <p><b>Promote AONB in a sustainable way</b></p> <p>RA2.1 Gather information on visitor numbers, activity, etc.</p> <p>RA2.2 Work with Area Tourism Partnership to provide information for visitors.</p> <p>RA2.3 Work with local Tourism Associations.</p> <p>RA2.4 Initiatives to enable Under-Represented Groups to enjoy the AONB.</p> <p>RA2.5 Initiatives to promote health benefits of outdoor recreation in the AONB.</p> | <p>~ Repeat basic monitoring of car park usage during summer.</p> <p>~ Conduct a follow-up Visitors and Users Survey (see AP1.6).</p> <p>~ Participate in any new rural tourism initiative that may stem from the Rural Economy Growth Review.</p> <p>~ See RA2.2 above.</p> <p>~ Deliver the schools twinning project between schools in the AONB and York/Hull (see AP2.3).</p> <p>–</p>  | <p>XXXXX</p> <p>XXXXX</p> <p>XXXXX</p> <p>XXXXX</p>              | <p>XXXXX</p> <p>XXXXX</p> <p>XXXXX</p> <p>XXXXX</p>              | <p>XXXXX</p> <p>XXXXX</p> <p>XXXXX</p>              | <p>XXXXX</p> <p>XXXXX</p> <p>XXXXX</p>              | <p>~ Completed as part of Visitors &amp; Users Survey contract.</p> <p>~ See AP1.6.</p> <p>~ Meetings held with RDC, Castle Howard, Welcome to Yorkshire, Green Traveller.</p> <p>~ Contributed to LEADER area Local Distinctiveness project.</p> <p>~ Photos and text provided for Green Traveller Guide to HHAONB.</p> <p>~ Outdoor booklet being progressed with NYMNP, Welcome to Yorkshire and Castle Howard.</p> <p>~ See RA2.2.</p> <p>~ See AP2.3 below.</p>   |
| <p><b>Recreational management measures</b></p> <p>RA3.1 Small-scale recreation management works.</p>   | <p>–</p>  |  |  |   |   | <p>~ No relevant schemes.</p>  |
| <p><b>Management of the PRow network</b></p> <p>RA4.1 Maintenance of path furniture.</p> <p>RA4.2 Regularly monitor path condition.</p> <p>RA4.3 Rectify identified problems, including seasonal overgrowth and ploughing/cropping.</p> <p>RA4.4 Prioritised programme for cutting seasonal undergrowth.</p> <p>RA4.5 Community involvement in path monitoring and maintenance.</p>  | <p>~ Continue with minor improvement works as they are identified.</p> <p>~ Ensure that any new/diverted paths are completed to the same standard as rest of network.</p> <p>~ Continue Condition Survey of the AONB, utilising AONB Volunteers.</p> <p>~ Bring issues to the attention of the NYCC Countryside Ranger, as necessary.</p> <p>~ Monitor the NYCC seasonal cutting programme and liaise with NYCC Countryside Ranger as necessary.</p> <p>~ Use AONB/NYCC volunteers to tackle identified maintenance issues.</p> <p>~ Train 2 more volunteers in path Condition surveying.</p> | <p>XXXXX</p> <p>XXXXX</p> <p>XXXXX</p> <p>XXXXX</p> <p>XXXXX</p> | <p>XXXXX</p> <p>XXXXX</p> <p>XXXXX</p> <p>XXXXX</p> <p>XXXXX</p> | <p>XXXXX</p> <p>XXXXX</p> <p>XXXXX</p> <p>XXXXX</p> | <p>XXXXX</p> <p>XXXXX</p> <p>XXXXX</p> <p>XXXXX</p> | <p>~ On-going.</p> <p>~ Comments submitted on path diversion scheme at Kirkham.</p> <p>~ Trained volunteer fell ill, so no further survey work completed.</p> <p>~ Issues passed on, when received by AONB Unit.</p> <p>~ First cut poor, partially due to wet season and heavy growth.</p> <p>~ NYCC volunteers not working regularly in AONB after October '12, following Ranger Service re-organisation.</p> <p>~ Not achieved, due to volunteer illness and changed priorities after Ranger Service re-organisation.</p> |

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| <b>Definitive Map</b><br>RA5.1 Definitive Map review for the Ryedale District.<br>RA5.2 Identify existing route and status anomalies and lobby for action.  | –<br>~ Continue to pursue upgrade of footpath to bridleway at Ampleforth.<br>~ Complete work on bridleway route issues at Slingsby, as part of a wider package of rationalisations on the Castle Howard Estate.                              |              |             |           |           | ~ Landowner no longer interested in proceeding.<br>~ NYCC progressing one Agreement to deal with 10/15 route anomalies on the whole Estate. |
| <b>Improvements to PRoW network</b><br>RA6.1 Encourage creation of new access routes/areas.<br>RA6.2 Support appropriate Public Rights of Way route alterations.  | ~ As opportunities arise.<br>~ Continue to pursue upgrade of footpath between Gilling and Ampleforth Station to bridleway status.<br>~ Progress route re-alignments/creations /extinguishments at Howsham, Ampleforth, Slingsby & Hovingham. |              |             |           |           | ~ See RA5.2 above.<br>~ Ampleforth scheme being progressed; see RA5.2 re. Slingsby and Hovingham.   |
| <b>Path usage issues</b><br>RA7.1 Encourage path improvements via management measures.<br>RA7.2 Monitor use of footpaths by horse riders, cyclists, etc.<br>RA7.3 Make advisory signage available for control of dogs, shutting gates, etc. | ~ Respond as necessary, via JAC consultations.<br>–<br>~ As requested.   |              |             |           |           | ~ Comments submitted on 2 relevant Forestry Commission consultations.   |
| <b>Open Access in FC woodland</b><br>RA8.1 Low-key works on freehold Forestry Commission land.<br>RA8.2 Dedication of leasehold Forestry Commission land.<br>RA8.3 Assist in negotiations on leasehold sites as appropriate.                | –<br>~ Monitor, and input as appropriate, to any FC consultation on future management of the public forest estate.<br>~ As necessary.  |              |             |           |           | ~ Independent Panel on Forestry report and Government response scrutinised.<br>~ No current cases.  |

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| <p><b>Guided routes</b></p> <p>RA9.1 Identify appropriate routes.</p> <p>RA9.2 Identify linkages via road verges and encourage appropriate cutting regimes.</p> <p>RA9.3 Publish and distribute guide leaflets.</p>   | <p>~ See AP2.1</p> <p>~ Continue to develop circular off-road cycle route from Hovingham, in partnership with NYCC.</p> <p>–</p> <p>~ Publish and distribute/upload Hovingham Ridges Ride cycle route leaflet.</p> <p>~ Publish and distribute/upload 2 further cycle route leaflets.</p> <p>–</p> <p>~ Install laminated copy of Nunnington leaflet map at Caulkleys Bank (see AP2.4).</p>  | <p>XXXXX</p> <p>XXXXX</p> <p>XXXXX</p>              | <p>XXXXX</p> <p>XXXXX</p>              | <p>XXXXX</p> <p>XXXXX</p> | <p>XXXXX</p> <p>XXXXX</p> | <p>~ Leaflet completed and available on NYCC website.</p> <p>~ See RA9.1 above.</p> <p>~ PDFs of Sustrans cycling leaflet (3 routes) now uploaded to AONB website.</p> <p>~ Outdoor booklet being progressed with NYMNP, Welcome to Yorkshire and Castle Howard.</p> <p>~ Welburn routes being progressed in partnership with Castle Howard.</p> <p>~ Completed.</p>   |
| <p><b>Bus routes and other transport services</b></p> <p>RA10.1 Enhancements to public/community transport and Moorsbus networks.</p> <p>RA10.2 Explore options for park-and-ride at larger tourist attractions.</p>  | <p>–</p> <p>–</p>  |   |  |                           |                           | <p>~ Routes within the AONB remain unaltered after the latest NYCC review.</p>   |
| <p><b>Informal car parking facilities</b></p> <p>RA11.1 Carry out appropriate management works.</p> <p>RA11.2 Continue discussions to improve parking facilities at Kirkham Priory.</p> <p>RA11.3 Investigate the use of village car park and toilet facilities by recreational visitors.</p> | <p>~ Continue grass cutting regime at Badger Bank.</p> <p>~ Continue programme of litter clearance at car parks throughout the AONB.</p> <p>~ Encourage management of parking area at Bell Bottom Wood, Coneysthorpe, to maximise space available.</p> <p>~ Ensure refurbished Kirkham Priory car park is appropriately maintained.</p> <p>– (Completed)</p> <p>~ Encourage Appleton-le-Street Village Hall to develop their ideas for walker/cyclist accommodation, as part of refurbishment works.</p> | <p>XXXXX</p> <p>XXXXX</p> <p>XXXXX</p> <p>XXXXX</p> | <p>XXXXX</p> <p>XXXXX</p> <p>XXXXX</p> | <p>XXXXX</p> <p>XXXXX</p> |                           | <p>~ Completed.</p> <p>~ Completed, ending Dec '12.</p> <p>~ Usage of car parks monitored Aug '12 as part of Visitors &amp; Users Survey (see RA2.1).</p> <p>~ Agreed by Estate but not yet implemented. To be pursued in 2013/14 as part of Estate's aim to promote areas away from main house.</p> <p>~ Not achieved.</p> <p>~ Enquiry from Terrington VH for SDF funding for replacement external toilet.</p> |

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| <p><b>Water recreation on the Derwent</b><br/>RA12.1 Use planning and other policy controls to discourage recreational use.<br/>RA12.2 Countryside management measures to resolve local recreational issues.</p>  | <p>~ Respond as necessary, via JAC consultations.<br/><br/>~ As necessary.</p>  |  |  |  |  | <p>~ No relevant applications.</p>  |
| <p><b>Forum to discuss recreation, access and tourism issues</b><br/>RA13.1 Hold meetings of the Forum as necessary.<br/>RA13.2 Pass information on issues to North Yorkshire Local Access Forum.</p>   | <p>~<br/><br/>~</p>   |  |  |  |  |   |
| <p><b>Awareness and understanding of AONB designation, importance and role of JAC</b><br/>AP1.1 Maintain the existing AONB 'gateway signs' and seek to install signs on the A64.<br/>AP1.2 Publish and distribute information about the AONB.<br/>AP1.3 Provide information via the Annual Report, Newsletter and website.<br/>AP1.4 Maintain a high public profile in the local media and at shows.<br/><br/>AP1.5 Celebrate the 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the AONB designation (Oct. 2012).<br/>AP1.6 Carry out a follow-up Visitors and Users survey.</p> | <p>~ Ensure 'gateway sign' sites are adequately maintained.<br/>~ Investigate installing 'gateway signs' on the A64.<br/><br/>~ Ensure that TICs and local accommodation providers, shops, etc have adequate supplies of relevant AONB leaflets.<br/>~ Start preparation of a Geodiversity leaflet for the AONB.<br/>~ Publish 2011/12 Annual Report.<br/>~ Publish AONB News 2012.<br/>~ Ensure that AONB website is running properly and is updated each month.<br/><br/>~ Monitor extent and value of media mentions.<br/><br/>~ Attend Ryedale Show.<br/>~ Use AONB display at 3 venues/events.<br/><br/>~ Issue appropriate publicity.<br/>~ Identify suitable sites, obtain permissions and install up to 25 log seats.<br/><br/>~ Develop methodology, identify survey sites, recruit volunteers and carry out Survey.</p> | <p>XXXXX<br/><br/>XXXXX<br/><br/>XXXXX<br/><br/>XXXXX<br/><br/>XXXXX<br/><br/>XXXXX<br/><br/>XXXXX<br/><br/>XXXXX<br/><br/>XXXXX<br/><br/>XXXXX<br/><br/>XXXXX</p> | <p>XXXXX<br/><br/>XXXXX<br/><br/>XXXXX<br/><br/>XXXXX<br/><br/>XXXXX<br/><br/>XXXXX<br/><br/>XXXXX<br/><br/>XXXXX<br/><br/>XXXXX<br/><br/>XXXXX<br/><br/>XXXXX</p> | <p>XXXXX<br/><br/>XXXXX<br/><br/>XXXXX<br/><br/>XXXXX<br/><br/>XXXXX<br/><br/>XXXXX<br/><br/>XXXXX<br/><br/>XXXXX<br/><br/>XXXXX<br/><br/>XXXXX<br/><br/>XXXXX<br/><br/>XXXXX<br/><br/>XXXXX</p> | <p>XXXXX<br/><br/>XXXXX<br/><br/>XXXXX<br/><br/>XXXXX<br/><br/>XXXXX<br/><br/>XXXXX<br/><br/>XXXXX<br/><br/>XXXXX<br/><br/>XXXXX<br/><br/>XXXXX<br/><br/>XXXXX<br/><br/>XXXXX<br/><br/>XXXXX</p> | <p>~ Achieved.<br/>~ Not progressed. Transfer to 2013/14.<br/><br/>~ Achieved.<br/><br/>~ No progress.<br/><br/>~ Published and distributed, Dec '12.<br/>~ Published and distributed, Oct '12.<br/>~ Achieved. Concerted overhaul of out-of-date pages. 6,550 Visits to the website by 5,388 people.<br/>~ 34 press mentions (Good Life events, Lime &amp; Ice exhibition launch, Ryedale Rural Awards, Annual Report, SDF projects, contentious planning applications, 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary seats, LEADER Tourism Network project); Equivalent to £43,239 of advertising space.<br/>~ Feature in Guardian Travel section, following walk &amp; briefing.<br/>~ Achieved; RAY/Rural Arts and NY Ranger sharing stand.<br/>~ Alne Gardening Club talk; Amotherby Good Life; Gilling Good Life; NAAONB Conference; Ryedale Rural Awards; Meet the Funder, Malton; Easingwold Gardening Club talk.<br/>~ Press launch &amp; release and Tweet, Dec '12.<br/>~ 1 seat installed; suggestions for locations invited via AONB Newsletter and letter to Parish Councils; all timber obtained; installation options explored.<br/>~ Completed by consultants Aug '12.</p> |

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| <p><b>Awareness of Special Qualities of AONB</b></p> <p>AP2.1 Information leaflets for individual AONB villages.</p> <p>AP2.2 Annual programme of guided walks and talks.</p> <p>AP2.3 Programme of activities with local schools and communities.</p> <p>AP2.4 Install information boards at suitable sites.</p> | <p>~ See RA9.3.</p> <p>~ Hold at least 3 guided walks or talks.</p> <p>~ Hold at least 2 Junior Ranger Club full-day sessions.</p> <p>~ Deliver the schools twinning project between schools in the AONB and York/Hull.</p> <p>~ Install laminated copy of Nunnington leaflet map at Caulkleys Bank.</p> | <p>XXXXX</p> <p>XXXXX</p> <p>XXXXX</p> <p>XXXXX</p> | <p>XXXXX</p> <p>XXXXX</p> <p>XXXXX</p> <p>XXXXX</p> | <p>XXXXX</p> <p>XXXXX</p> <p>XXXXX</p> <p>XXXXX</p> | <p>XXXXX</p> <p>XXXXX</p> <p>XXXXX</p> <p>XXXXX</p> | <p>~ Alne Gardening Club talk (35), Easingwold Gardening Club (26), volunteers walk to Yearsley Mill after task.</p> <p>~ April '12, June '12; November '12. (39 children).</p> <p>~ 15 x Round 2 visits completed; Teachers workshop held; 8 x Round 3 visits completed</p> <p>~ Completed.</p>  |
| <p><b>Volunteering</b></p> <p>AP3.1 Involve volunteers to assist with delivery of tasks and activities.</p>   | <p>~ Complete at least 1 project per calendar quarter using volunteers.</p>  | <p>XXXXX</p>  | <p>XXXXX</p>  | <p>XXXXX</p>  | <p>XXXXX</p>  | <p>~ Assisting at: Junior Ranger Club (April '12, June '12, Nov '12); Ryedale Show; rhododendron clearance at Park Wood Fishponds SINC x 2; Clearance of Gilling Castle park pale, PRoW maintenance with NYCC Ranger; Rural:Urban Schools Twinning project; Lime &amp; Ice Yearsley Moor project. 9 projects or tasks, worth at least 139 days (£12,350 at SDF volunteering rates).</p> |

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| <b>Funding and partnership mechanisms</b><br>IM1.1 Seek funding to implement Management Plan Objectives.<br><br>IM1.2 Annual meetings of AONB Partnership Group.<br>IM1.3 Partnership arrangements with the North York Moors National Park Authority. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>~ Lobby as necessary, via the NAAONB, to ensure that AONBs are adequately funded by Defra.</li> <li>~ Ensure full utilisation of Defra grant allocation.</li> <li>~ Assist with implementation of CAN DO HLF Lime and Ice Project.</li> <br/> <li>~ Participate in the delivery of the North York Moors, Coast and Hills LEADER initiative, encouraging support for projects within the AONB.</li> <li>~ Access additional resources from County &amp; District Councils, FC, EA, EH, CAN DO, Ryedale LEADER SSES, etc for specific identified projects.</li> <br/> <li>~ Investigate the potential for accessing EH funding for Monuments at Risk.</li> <li>~ Continue to develop a habitat enhancement project for the CAN DO area, based on Alcatloe bat.</li> <li>~ Implement Year 1 of the Revitalising the River Rye project, should Defra/EA funding bids be successful.</li> <li>~ Participate in the B-Lines project, with or without SITA funding.</li> <br/> <li>~ Participate in any new rural tourism initiative that may stem from the Rural Economy Growth Review.</li> <li>~ Investigate the potential for Community Foundations to support AONB projects.</li> <li>~ Monitor, and assist as appropriate, with new community Rural Broadband initiatives.</li> <li>~ Utilise Reserves appropriately, to supplement annual projects budget and to maintain/enhance AONB Officer staff resource.</li> <li>~ Hold a meeting in April 2013.</li> <br/> <li>~ Continue to deliver the AONB SDF programme in partnership with the North York Moors National Park.</li> <li>~ Continue partnership arrangement to employ Native Woodland Development Officer to cover National Park &amp; AONB.</li> <li>~ Continue to participate in the CAN DO Partnership.</li> </ul> | <p>XXXXX</p> <p>XXXXX</p> <p>XXXXX</p> <p>XXXXX</p> <p>XXXXX</p> <p>XXXXX</p> <p>XXXXX</p> <p>XXXXX</p> <p>XXXXX</p> <p>XXXXX</p> <p>XXXXX</p> <p>XXXXX</p> | <p>XXXXX</p> <p>XXXXX</p> <p>XXXXX</p> <p>XXXXX</p> <p>XXXXX</p> <p>XXXXX</p> <p>XXXXX</p> <p>XXXXX</p> <p>XXXXX</p> <p>XXXXX</p> <p>XXXXX</p> <p>XXXXX</p> | <p>XXXXX</p> <p>XXXXX</p> <p>XXXXX</p> <p>XXXXX</p> <p>XXXXX</p> <p>XXXXX</p> <p>XXXXX</p> <p>XXXXX</p> <p>XXXXX</p> <p>XXXXX</p> <p>XXXXX</p> <p>XXXXX</p> | <p>XXXXX</p> <p>XXXXX</p> <p>XXXXX</p> <p>XXXXX</p> <p>XXXXX</p> <p>XXXXX</p> <p>XXXXX</p> <p>XXXXX</p> <p>XXXXX</p> <p>XXXXX</p> <p>XXXXX</p> <p>XXXXX</p> <p>XXXXX</p> <p>XXXXX</p> <p>XXXXX</p> <p>XXXXX</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>~ Supported continuing development of liaison with Defra, via NAAONB.</li> <li>~ Achieved.</li> <li>~ Additional money put in for Yearsley Moor excavations, to draw-down HLF underspend (62% leverage).</li> <li>~ On-going. Main fund fully allocated. £31,500 worth of schemes in the AONB supported by RDC LEADER Small-scale Enhancements Scheme, for a £2,500 contribution.</li> <li>~ Worked in partnerships developing new projects that access funding: Revitalising the River Rye.</li> <li>~ Accessed funding from HDC Natural Environment Grant Scheme for rhododendron clearance at Park Wood Fishponds SINC.</li> <li>~ Some initial discussions held with English Heritage.</li> <li>~ NYMNP bid for funding from Natural England failed.</li> <li>~ Bids for Defra and EA funding failed.</li> <br/> <li>~ Buglife's SITA bid successful; assisting with implementation by referring landowners to project officer.</li> <li>~ See RA2.2.</li> <br/> <li>~ Investigated April '12 – scope felt to be limited.</li> <li>~ Monitoring roll-out of NY super-fast broadband.</li> <li>~ 4-year Reserves strategy prepared.</li> <li>~ Reserves committed to projects budgets, but not needed in this year. NYMNP secondeed to maintain 1 FTE AONB Officer post.</li> <li>~ Achieved.</li> <br/> <li>~ Achieved. NYMNP SDF scheme has changed, but 1 Officer Group held to assess schemes.</li> <li>~ Achieved.</li> <br/> <li>~ Partnership has been dormant for a while and is likely to be dis-banded as part of review of priority areas for the Local Nature Partnership.</li> </ul> |



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| <b>Business development of AONB Partnership</b><br>IM2.1 Monitor business development needs and identify improvements.<br>IM2.2 Incorporate improvements into annual Action Programme and Budget approval processes.  | ~ Utilise Reserves appropriately, to supplement annual projects budget and to maintain/enhance AONB Officer staff resource.<br>~ Prepare annual Business Plan / Action Programme for JAC, March 2013.   |              |             |           | XXXXX     | ~ See IM1.1.<br>~ Achieved, for JAC 4 <sup>th</sup> April '13.   |
| <b>Monitor performance of AONB Partnership and AONB Unit</b><br>MN1.1 Report annual progress on achievement of Management Plan Objectives.<br>MN1.2 Monitor Partnership performance using Natural England Indicators.<br>MN1.3 Measure customer satisfaction with AONB Unit via regular questionnaires.   | ~ Annual Action Programme update to JAC, March 2013.<br>~ Continue to enter grant-aided schemes onto GIS map layers (see SF1.2).<br>~ Continue to use NE Partnership Indicators to measure performance of JAC and AONB Partnership.<br>~ Continue to send out questionnaires to grant recipients. | XXXXX        | XXXXX       | XXXXX     | XXXXX     | ~ Achieved, for JAC 4 <sup>th</sup> April '13.<br>~ Paper files being rationalised as a separate exercise, which reduces shelf space and will assist subsequent digitisation.<br>~ NE Partnership Indicators reported to JAC, Oct '12.<br>~ Achieved.  |
| <b>Monitor Condition of AONB</b><br>MN2.1 Develop a mechanism to assess the Condition of non-Statutory Local Priority Sites.<br>MN2.2 Consider developing a 'fixed point photography' monitoring system.<br>MN2.3 Establish baseline data for AONB Condition Indicators.<br>MN2.4 Information on Condition Indicators on a 5-yearly cycle.<br>MN2.5 Provide information to assist the Countryside Quality Counts programme and monitor the results. | ~ Discuss possible assessment mechanisms with NYCC and English Heritage.<br>~ Use assessment mechanism to 'score' condition of sites.<br>~ Establish baseline photos for chosen set of locations.<br>~ Complete the table of data, for all Indicators.<br>-<br>~ As necessary.                    | XXXXX        | XXXXX       | XXXXX     | XXXXX     | ~ Not progressed. Transfer to 2013/14.<br>~ Not achieved – see above.<br>~ Minimal further progress; scoping set still being compiled.<br>~ Not progressed. Transfer to 2013/14.<br>~ Comprehensive data sets received from Natural England, as part of monitoring environmental outcomes in Protected Areas exercise. |

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| <p><b>National Association for AONBs</b><br/>Maintain input into NAAONB Board and Association activities.</p> <p>Keep up-to-date with knowledge and skills in relation to AONB management.</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>~ Continue to participate in NAAONB initiatives.</li> <li>~ Co-host NAAONB Conference 2012, in York.</li> <li>~ Attend training seminars, Northern Group meetings, Conferences, etc as appropriate.</li> </ul> | <p>XXXXX<br/>XXXXX</p> | <p>XXXXX<br/>XXXXX</p> | <p>XXXXX</p> | <p>XXXXX</p>                | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>~ Attended NAAONB AGM; Northern Chairmens' meeting; Future Landscapes Collaboration project workshops.</li> <li>~ Completed.</li> <li>~ Attended National Conference (York); May '12 Northern Group meeting (Solway Coast); October '12 Northern Group meeting (Lincolnshire Wolds); Management Plan Review workshop; Future Landscapes Collaboration project workshops x 3.</li> </ul> |
| <p><b>AONB Management Plan</b><br/>Review AONB Management Plan.</p>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>~ Agree scope of review needed, with AONB Partnership.</li> <li>~ Hold Topic Groups for individual subjects.</li> <li>~ Revise Plan text and consult back with Topic Groups and AONB Partnership.</li> </ul>   |                        |                        | <p>XXXXX</p> | <p>XXXXX<br/><br/>XXXXX</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>~ Discussed and agreed with Core Partners Group.</li> <li>~ Topic Group membership list revised, invites sent out and meeting dates set for April &amp; May.</li> <li>~ Timetable revised – move to 2013/14.</li> </ul>   |