HOWARDIAN HILLS AREA OF OUTSTANDING NATURAL BEAUTY JOINT ADVISORY COMMITTEE 10 NOVEMBER 2016

AONB UNIT ACTIVITY

1.0 PURPOSE OF REPORT

1.1 To receive details of the work areas and progress achieved by the AONB Unit since the JAC meeting in April 2016.

2.0 SUMMARY OF PROGRESS ACHIEVED

- 2.1 Appendix 1 gives separate details of the meetings and site visits that have been carried out by the AONB Manager and AONB Officers in the period April 2016 to November 2016.
- 2.2 The final budget outturn for 2015/16 is detailed in a separate report on the Agenda. The final contribution payment has been received from Defra.
- 2.3 Work on countryside management has been proceeding. Our regular annual summer/autumn habitat management work on specific SINC sites has taken place, with Himalayan balsam control using both contractors and Volunteers being the most significant. A visually significant wall restoration project near Grimston is in its second phase and a number of hedge restoration projects are in the process of development. The City of Troy turf maze has been regravelled and a contract to restore 16 traditional village name signs is due to be let shortly.
- 2.4 The Monument Management Scheme has moved into its site management phase. Two large linear dykes have been surveyed in more detail by Volunteers, to ascertain the amount and type of vegetation management work needed. Bracken has been sprayed on 23 Monuments, bramble strimmed on 2 Monuments and brash cleared from 3 Monuments. Significant work is planned on other Monuments throughout the autumn and winter, and a contract has been let to obtain some external advice to help us plan and deliver some of this. Full details of the grants offered and projects developed are contained in Appendix 2.
- 2.5 A bid to the Heritage Lottery Fund for a major project on the River Rye was submitted in June and the result should be known soon. The project is based around four themes:
 - Water habitat restoring the riparian and aquatic habitats of the Rye and the rich wildlife it supports including bats, native crayfish and invertebrates
 - Water quality improving water quality through working with land owners and managers to address nutrient inputs and reduce diffuse pollution.
 - Water level management (primary focus of a flood risk management project led by NYCC) – employing natural flood risk management techniques to better regulate water quantity and reduce downstream flooding.
 - Engaging people to better understand the services the river provides and how we use them to live, work and play. Conserving a record of the river's cultural significance to local communities and others more widely.

- 2.6 Overhead electricity lines have been undergrounded in Crambe and works are part-way through at Cawton and Nunnington. These two schemes are due to be finished before Christmas. A scheme for Ganthorpe is due to start in November, and work on obtaining wayleaves is progressing for schemes in Oswaldkirk and Easthorpe.
- 2.7 The number of planning applications scrutinised has been slightly lower than for this period in 2015/16, and most of them have not needed significant input or comments. The most significant cases have been proposals for a new agricultural building at Broughton, house extensions at Ampleforth, an extension to a Listed Building at Oulston, erection of a replacement house near Hovingham and the erection of a large garage/barn at Scackleton. The submission of a planning application for 3 new dwellings near Brandsby is currently generating correspondence with local residents. Appendix 3 gives details of the Consultations that the JAC has received this financial year.
- 2.8 A number of schemes were due to come into force or expand significantly in 2016, most notably the new Countryside Stewardship Scheme and the new LEADER Programme. These however were put on hold after the result of the EU Referendum in June and it won't be known until later this year how any new grant applications will be taken forward, if at all. Work has also been undertaken to progress the Rural Growth Programme developed by the four Protected Landscapes, involving submission of a bid for funding to further develop the Tourism Business Networks.
- 2.9 Two Junior Ranger Club sessions have been held in conjunction with the Castle Howard Arboretum and Howsham Mill, in the April and October half-terms. Details of the attendance at the Junior Ranger Club event already held are contained in Appendix 4.
- 2.10 The RAY Community Projects Officer has continued to work with a number of local communities to both prepare and implement Parish Plans. A full list of the work carried out by the RAY officer in the AONB is attached as part of Appendix 1.
- 2.11 Work is starting on preparing a new set of AONB display banners to replace our aged set, and on improving the functionality of the AONB website. The text relating to the AONB on the Visit York and Visit Ryedale websites has also been updated.
- 2.12 The latest edition of the AONB Newsletter was prepared in September and was distributed in the week commencing 24th October. The JAC's Annual Report has also been completed and was circulated to the wide range of organisations who work with the JAC to deliver our shared objectives.
- 2.13 The NAAONB Conference was held in Telford in June and was attended by the AONB Manager and AONB Officer.
- 2.14 Two part-time AONB Officers have been recruited into temporary posts and started their duties in September. Francesca Pert is working 1 day per week on projects and publicity until 31st March, with Frances Standen working 2 days per week on publicity and interpretation until Christmas.

3.0 RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the report be noted.

AONB MANAGER'S REPORT

6th APRIL 2016 – 1st NOVEMBER 2016

Work during this period has principally consisted of:

- Preparation of papers for the April JAC meeting.
- Completing Closedown of the 2015/16 accounts.
- Preparing a Delivery Plan for the Annual Action Programme, to evaluate where best to target additional staff resources.
- Submitting the 2015/16 Final grant claim to Defra.
- Completing the Scheduled Monuments database with the results of the MMS surveys and submitting the revised Risk ratings to Historic England.
- Preparing the 2016/17 Monument Management Scheme (MMS) Work Plan deciding on sites to manage, securing contractors and contacting site owners for permission.
- Preparing to recruit 2 x part time fixed term contract AONB Officers to assist with project deliver, following the Team re-structure.
- Planning application consultation scrutiny and responses.
- RIIO-ED1 undergrounding programme liaison with Northern Powergrid and BT over schemes commencing at Nunnington, Crambe and Cawton.
- Starting delivery of the 2016/17 MMS Work Plan applying for EA Licences for bracken spraying, preparing contract documentation and briefing contractor. Developing a database showing all site management work planned, timings and methodology. Preparing and issuing a spec for a scrub control and re-vegetation project, to engage an external consultant.
- Recruiting 2 x part-time fixed term contract AONB Officers to assist with project delivery, following the Team re-structure.
- Monitoring the progress of RIIO-ED1 undergrounding schemes underway Crambe, Nunnington and Cawton.
- Delivery of 2016/17 MMS Work Plan completion of bracken spraying on 23 Scheduled Monuments, strimming bramble on 2 Scheduled Monuments, clearing brash on 2 Scheduled Monuments, engaging a consultant to prepare and oversee a plan to clear scrub and re-vegetate 5 Scheduled Monuments.
- Annual Leave days.

MEETINGS

- April JAC meeting
- Scarborough & Ryedale ProW LLG
- North York Moors National Park Awareness. Recreation & Business Forum
- Leadership 2020 seminar, County Hall
- May Quarterly Annual Action Programme delivery update
- NYMNP MMS Officer survey results, database completion, site work
- Countryside Stewardship briefing, Green Hammerton
- RDC/HHAONB/Visit York Visitor Economy Partnership, Malton
- NYMNP x 2 additional staff resources for business and technical support
- Developing an NYCC Countryside Access Service/NYMNP Modern Apprentices project to deliver PRoW improvements in the AONB.

- Planning application pre-submission, re application at Welburn
- June Core Partners Group
- NYMNPA Minerals & Waste Joint Plan comments
- River Rye HLF project Steering Group
- RIIO ED1 Steering Group, York
- Native Woodland Partnership, York
- North & East Yorkshire Geology Trust briefing on their proposed HLF project bid, to survey sites within the AONB and prepare a Geodiversity Action Plan
- August Quarterly Annual Action Programme delivery update
- Local Geological Sites Partnership, County Hall
- Lake restoration, Gilling Castle Fishponds
- September Core Partners Group
- LNP Board, County Hall

- Inception meeting for post-grad tranquillity project
- Inception meeting for MMS scrub control and re-vegetation project
- North & East Public Rights of Way Local Liaison Group, County Hall

Monthly AONB Team meetings Heritage Services Team meetings, County Hall

Monthly 1:1 meetings with Liz Small Monthly 1:1 meetings with Liz Bassindale

NAAONB

- National Conference, Shropshire. Theme
 Natural beauty in relation to the health & wellbeing of society
- Northern Group Lead Officers' meeting, Solway Coast AONB
- Northern Group meeting, Solway Coast AONB

MEETINGS (FUTURE)

- NE liaison meeting
- Castle Howard new 10-year Woodland Management Plan
- Local Geological Sites Partnership, County Hall
- North & East Yorkshire Datacentre Stakeholder meeting, York
- November JAC
- Native Woodland Partnership, Pickering
- November Quarterly Annual Action Programme delivery update
- LNP Board, County Hall
- December Core Partners Group
- February Quarterly Annual Action Programme delivery update

Heritage Services Team meetings, County Hall

Monthly 1:1 meetings with Liz Small Monthly 1:1 meetings with Liz Bassindale

NAAONB (FUTURE)

 NAAONB Chairmen's Conference & AGM, London

SITE VISITS

Planning application site visits –
 Husthwaite, Oulston x 2, Broughton,
 Musley Bank, Welburn x 2, Low Hutton,
 Terrington, Ampleforth, Brandsby x 2,
 Yearsley x 2, Coulton, Scackleton,
 Crayke, Whitwell, Gilling, Terrington x 2,

- Ampleforth, Swinton x 2, Brandsby, Scackleton, Hovingham, Malton
- Valley Farm, Grimston joint undergrounding scheme for HV lines, with landowner
- Nunnington undergrounding of part of BT overhead network
- City of Troy Maze; Cawton (overhead lines, village name signs)
- Coneysthorpe, Skewsby Scheduled Monuments visits to plan future work
- Crambe overhead lines work started
- Terrington woodland management proposals
- Yearsley management works proposal for Scheduled Monument
- Cawton, Yearsley, Terrington, Ganthorpe
 Village name signs photos
- Broughton, Swinton Knapweed broomrape surveys and GPS recording of colonies
- Yearsley instruct contractor on bracken spraying on Scheduled Monuments
- Dalby Maze instruct contractor on refurbishment work
- NYMNPA Planning Team Away-Day, Coxwold/Newburgh Priory
- Hovingham, Dalby, Huttons Ambo Scheduled Monuments visits to plan future work

SITE VISITS (FUTURE)

Fryton, Welburn - Scheduled Monuments visits to survey/plan future work

CONSULTATIONS

 SEE SEPARATE TABLE FOR FULL DETAILS OF CONSULTATIONS RECEIVED

PROJECTS

- Preparation of April JAC reports
- Closedown of 2015/16 accounts
- Implementing re-structure of AONB Team and development of new ways of working
- Preparation of June Core Partners Group papers
- Recruitment of 2 x part-time fixed term contract AONB Officers to assist with project delivery – job advert, shortlisting, interviewing, set-up and induction
- MMS Delivery of bracken spraying on selected sites; procuring advice and assistance to plan and oversee scrub removal, stump treatment and re-

- vegetation works; planning of 2016/17 tasks, timings and delivery mechanisms
- Preparation of September Core Partners Group papers
- MMS delivery of autumn works (bramble strimming and brash removal);
- Preparation of November JAC papers

PROJECTS (FUTURE)

- Pursuing undergrounding of parts of the BT overhead network as part of RIIO ED1 works in Nunnington
- Delivery of restoration programme for 16 village name signs
- Preparation and submission of Q2 MMS report and grant claim
- Work on River Rye HLF project Development phase, if Phase 1 bid successful
- Delivery of NYCC Countryside Access Service/NYMNP Modern Apprentices project to deliver PRoW improvements in the AONB
- MMS preparation for spring works (scrub control, bramble strimming)

RECREATION/ACCESS

Ryedale Show

RECREATION/ACCESS (FUTURE)

Further development of Easy Access routes

COMMUNITIES

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COMMUNITIES (FUTURE)

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PROMOTION/PUBLICITY/ INTERPRETATION

- Presentation to North York Moors National Park staff meeting
- Official opening of AONB Office at Helmsley by NYCC Chairman Cllr Val Arnold
- Press release on office opening

- Tweeting nature notes, #Volunteersweek, examples of projects from 2015/16 (woodland restoration, hedge planting, wall repairs, traditional direction sign refurbishment)
- Interview by Radio York on overhead electricity line undergrounding work in Nunnington
- Production of 2015/16 Annual Report
- Writing copy for 2016 AONB Newsletter
- Distribution of 2015/16 Annual Report
- Distribution of 2016 AONB Newsletter

PROMOTION/PUBLICITY/ INTERPRETATION (FUTURE)

- More Tweets showcasing practical work undertaken by the AONB Team
- Assisting in production of new AONB display banners

TRAINING

 Delivering a BARS2 training session to Liz Bassindale

TRAINING (FUTURE)

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MISCELLANEOUS

- Appraisal review
- Liz Bassindale Appraisal review
- 3rd 7th October Annual Leave

MISCELLANEOUS (FUTURE)

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AONB OFFICER'S REPORT (Liz Bassindale)

6th April – 1st November 2016

Work during this period has principally consisted of:

- Monument Management Scheme planning and starting to carry out this years' practical work (volunteer tasks) on the monuments and completing reports for Historic England including entering the survey results into the database.
- Conservation initiatives River Rye Group, River Derwent Partnership and Scarborough, Ryedale & Howardian Hills LBAP. The River Rye Group submitted a Stage 1 Application for a Landscape Partnership Scheme to HLF at the end of May. A significant amount of time has been spent working on the River Rye HLF bid.
- Providing Project Fund applicants with application guidance, making grant offers and checking completed work.
- Organising the Himalayan balsam cutting at five priority locations in the AONB.
- Volunteers a combination of recreation tasks and community tasks. Planning the programme of work for summer, autumn and winter 2016.
- Junior Rangers planning activities and overseeing delivery of the May session at Howsham Mill and October session at The Arboretum. Planning the activities for December.
- Co-ordinating and promoting a grant funding advice session with HLF, focussing on natural heritage projects.
- Interpretation meeting with Castle Howard and Yorkshire Coast Nature to start to scope ideas for interpreting the wildlife of Castle Howard Estate.
- Communities working with Rural Action Yorkshire and Ryedale District Council on development of the Amotherby Ward Plan and additional connected projects.
- Production of the Howardian Hills AONB Newsletter.
- Assisting with recruitment and induction of 2 x part time AONB Officers and supporting their work as they settle in.

MEETINGS

- TCV update on current work and discussion about joint working, Helmsley
- River Rye HLF bid development, Malton (x1), York (x1)
- River Derwent Steering Group, Helmsley (x3)
- MMS monument plotting and data entry discussion with NYMNPA MMS Officer, Helmsley
- May Quarterly Annual Action Programme delivery update
- Community projects development and Amotherby Ward level planning, RAY, Pickering
- Advisory visit developing application to HLF for interpretation/education resources, Howsham Mill
- Ryedale, Scarborough and Howardian Hills LBAP, Scarborough (x1), Helmsley (x1) and Malton (x1)
- Development Officers, Malton (x1) and Kirkbymoorside (x1)
- Amotherby Ward Plan Steering Group, Malton (x3)

- Rural Arts, Ryedale DC and RAY, community arts project development, Malton
- North East Yorkshire Geology Trust HLF bid, Helmsley
- August Quarterly Annual Action Programme delivery update
- Volunteering update meeting (NYCC and Moorswork), Malton
- Environment Agency Medium Term Plan (links with R. Derwent Partnership), York
- School and community conservation project, Amotherby School
- Amotherby Ward Parishes Meeting (evening with Parish Councils), Swinton
- Howardian Hills Photography Competition planning with RAY, Helmsley
- MMS monument management plan scoping meeting with 4Nature, Helmsley
- Heritage Service planning session, Northallerton
- Heritage Service team meeting, Northallerton
- Core Partners Group, Helmsley (x2)
- 1 to 1 meetings and appraisal review with PJ

NAAONB

- NAAONB Northern Group Forest of Bowland AONB
- NAAONB Comms Officers teleconference (x2)
- NAAONB Conference, Shropshire
- Production of a marketplace display for NAAONB Conference, Shropshire

MEETINGS (FUTURE)

- NE liaison meeting, Helmsley
- Amotherby Ward Steering Group, Helmsley
- River Rye Steering Group, Helmsley
- LEADER Support Group, Helmsley
- Local Authority Biodiversity Update, Northallerton
- Sight Support Ryedale possible joint projects, Helmsley
- Hovingham Ward Parish Councils meeting
- Amotherby Ward Parish Councils meeting
- York Archaeological Trust, support for Ryedale Pottery Project, Helmsley
- November Quarterly Annual Action Programme delivery update
- Ryedale, Scarborough and Howardian Hills LBAP, Helmsley
- Ryedale Development Officers, Kirkbymoorside
- February Quarterly Annual Action Programme delivery update
- Core Partners Group, Helmsley
- Joint Advisory Committee, Helmsley
- 1 to 1 meetings with PJ
- Work programme meeting with PJ, FP and FS
- Heritage Services Meetings

NAAONB (FUTURE)

- Comms Officers Tele-conferences
- Comms Officers annual meeting, Birmingham

SITE VISITS

- Planning volunteer task and Junior Rangers session, Howsham Mill
- Plotting the location of round barrows, Newburgh
- Planning Himalayan balsam clearance with Moorswork leader, Brandsby
- Pre and post Himalayan balsam clearance visits to Mugdale and Barker Woods SINC and River Derwent SSSI (Crambeck)
- Meeting with TCV to plan Himalayan balsam clearance, Jeffry Bog SINC

- Recording condition of City of Troy Maze before repair, Dalby
- Planning volunteer tasks with Natural England, Dalby Bush Fen SSSI
- Planning volunteer task delivery with Moorswork leader, Dalby Bush Fen SSSI
- Planning MMS work on tumuli with Moorswork leader, Grimston
- Planning future MMS work and meeting with volunteers with Forestry Commission Officer, Grimston Moor
- Photos to accompany River Rye bid, Nunnington and Ness

SITE VISITS (FUTURE)

- Wildlife/heritage trail at Swinton Playground – site-based ideas meeting with Parish Clerk
- Hedge planting, Bulmer
- Hedge planting and pond creation, Hovingham

CONSULTATIONS

 SEE SEPARATE TABLE FOR FULL DETAILS OF CONSULTATIONS RECEIVED

PROJECTS

- MMS entering survey results into databases
- Yorkshire Exmoor Pony Trust fence repairs and start of grazing
- River Rye consultation event, Nunnington
- Planning work for the volunteers group for summer and autumn 2016
- Managing the 2016 Himalayan balsam control programme
- Coordinating volunteers Bracken clearance at bee orchid site, Yearsley Moor Woodlands SINC
- Visit to volunteers at Appleton-le-Street Churchyard SINC
- Visit to volunteers to check brash location (MMS), Grimston Moor
- Working with Amotherby School, RAY and Amotherby Churchyard Conservation Group on a bid for environmental projects in the conservation churchyard
- River Rye assisting with development and delivery of AONB elements of the HLF site visit
- River Rye organising and taking more images to support the HLF bid
- MMS survey of linear ditch with volunteers and NYMNP MMS Officer, Coneysthorpe

- Advice to Project Fund applicants application process and making grant offers.
- SEE SEPARATE TABLE FOR LIST OF PROJECTS GRANT AIDED

PROJECTS (FUTURE)

 Continue to development Amotherby conservation projects with local schools and conservation group

RECREATION/ACCESS

- Repairs to set of steps near Terrington (volunteers)
- Organisation of volunteers to walk three circular routes near Nunnington to feed in to HLF bid.

RECREATION/ACCESS (FUTURE)

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COMMUNITIES

- Co-ordination and delivery of HLF Natural Heritage grants advice event, Kirkbymoorside
- May Junior Rangers, Howsham Mill preparation and delivery
- October Junior Rangers, The Yorkshire Arboretum – preparation and delivery
- Terrington Intergenerational Project display community event, Terrington Village Hall
- North Yorkshire Wider Partnership Conference (health focus), Harrogate
- Planning joint activity for AONB volunteers, Moorswork, Terrington Hall School and Terrington and Foston Primary Schools, RHS Bug Hotel theme, Howsham Mill

COMMUNITIES (FUTURE)

- December and February Junior Rangers activities – plan, prepare and deliver
- Delivery of joint activity for AONB volunteers, Moorswork, Terrington Hall School and Terrington and Foston Primary Schools, RHS Bug Hotel theme, Howsham Mill

PROMOTION/PUBLICITY/ INTERPRETATION

- Development of Castle Howard natural heritage interpretation including meetings (x2) at Castle Howard and emailed advice
- Evening talk, Marton
- Ryedale Show, Welburn preparation and delivery
- AONB Photography Competition planning meeting, preparation of poster, promotion on Twitter and to local camera clubs
- AONB awareness raising and LBAP stand with pond dipping at Scarborough Mere Open Day, Scarborough
- Gathering of content for AONB Newsletter and sending it to designer
- Use of Twitter

PROMOTION/PUBLICITY/ INTERPRETATION (FUTURE)

- Promotion of AONB Photography Competition then organising and judging images
- Photography competition display and launch evening
- Continue to use Twitter

TRAINING

- HLF Landscape Partnership briefing, Leeds
- Mid-tier Countryside Stewardship briefing, Northallerton
- Biological Action Recording System II trained by PJ

TRAINING (FUTURE)

- Skype for Business, Northallerton
- Writing skills workshop, Howsham

MISCELLANEOUS

- On leave 2nd to 14th June
- On leave 4th to 9th August
- Assisting with candidates on AONB Officer interview day
- Modern Office IT session, Northallerton
- Supporting 2 x new team members

MISCELLANEOUS (FUTURE)

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AONB OFFICER'S REPORT (Francesca Pert)

6th SEPTEMBER 2016 – 1st NOVEMBER 2016

Work during this period has included:

- Induction to NYCC and HHAONB completed including mandatory training packages, setting up IT accounts etc.
- Identifying individual tree planting projects completed in last 5 years, sending letters to grant recipients requesting information about the condition of the trees and guards; communicating with Castle Howard Tree Nursery to arrange a contractor to survey and beat-up failed trees and replace guards.
- Providing Project Fund applicants with application guidance.
- Familiarisation with AONB position on hedge restoration grants.
- Collating and reporting 2015/16 projects to the NYCC Historic Environment Record
- Communities contributed ideas at a meeting with Rural Arts working with Rural Action Yorkshire on development of the Amotherby Ward Plan.
- Proof reading of the Howardian Hills AONB Newsletter.

MEETINGS

 Rural Arts, Ryedale DC and RAY, community arts project development, Malton

NAAONB

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MEETINGS (FUTURE)

- 1 to 1 meetings with PJ
- December Quarterly Annual Action Programme delivery update
- December Core Partners Meeting

NAAONB (FUTURE)

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SITE VISITS

 Crambe hedge planting scheme advisory visit

SITE VISITS (FUTURE)

- Barn Owl box replacement site visit Littledale, Terrington
- Check of individual tree planting scheme beating-up.
- Hedge planting grant application site visit, Kilburn House, Bulmer
- Hedge planting and pond creation grant application site visit, Moor House Farm, Hovingham

 Individual tree planting project discussion with Newburgh Priory

CONSULTATIONS

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PROJECTS

- Initial communications sent to landowners to inform them of a check of individual trees planted in the last 5 years. Coordinated with Castle Howard Tree Nursery to complete survey and beatingup work
- Initial site visit with landowner at Crambe about re-instating traditional boundaries with new hedge planting, hedge laying and coppicing work
- Reporting 2015/16 projects to the Historic Environment Record
- SEE SEPARATE TABLE FOR LIST OF PROJECTS GRANT AIDED

PROJECTS (FUTURE)

- Work with landowner at Littledale to replace barn owl boxes
- Hedge planting and pond creation scheme at Moor House Farm, Hovingham
- Hedge planting scheme at Kilburn House, Bulmer
- Work on River Rye HLF project Development phase, if Phase 1 bid successful

- Investigate a leaflet distribution system for HHAONB information
- Farm Infrastructure Design Guidance distribution to building companies commonly contracted in the local area

RECREATION/ACCESS

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RECREATION/ACCESS (FUTURE)

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COMMUNITIES

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COMMUNITIES (FUTURE)

 Help AONB Officer with December and February Junior Ranger Clubs promotion, planning and prep, The Yorkshire Arboretum?

PROMOTION/PUBLICITY/ INTERPRETATION

- Gathering of content for North York Moors Out and About publication.
- Proof reading of AONB Newsletter

PROMOTION/PUBLICITY/ INTERPRETATION (FUTURE)

Refinement and updating of AONB website

TRAINING

- NYCC Induction
- Customer Care Essentials e-learning
- Equalities and Diversity e-learning
- Voice Connect system e-learning
- Introduction to Health and Safety elearning
- Compliments, Comments and Complaints e-learning

TRAINING (FUTURE)

Familiarisation with Wordpress website tools

MISCELLANEOUS

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MISCELLANEOUS (FUTURE)

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AONB OFFICER'S REPORT (Frances Standen)

19th SEPTEMBER 2016 – 1st NOVEMBER 2016

Work during this period has included:

- Induction to NYCC and HHAONB completed, including mandatory training packages, setting up IT accounts etc.
- Assessed existing display banners, identified themes for new banners, written text, collated photos and logos, researched banner systems, ready to submit to designer.
- Updated Annual Action Programme.
- Assessed Howardian Hills content on Visit York and Visit Ryedale websites, suggested changes, written copy, sourced photos, submitted to Craig Nattress for updating websites.
- Carrying out surveys of sites grazed by Exmoor ponies.
- Examining the Howardian Hills website, checking links, suggesting changes.

MEETINGS

• September Core Partners Group

NAAONB

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MEETINGS (FUTURE)

 November Quarterly Annual Action Programme delivery update

NAAONB (FUTURE)

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SITE VISITS

 Four Exmoor pony site visits (Cawton Bank and Fen SINC, Terrington Moor SINC, Littledale SINC)

SITE VISITS (FUTURE)

• Three Exmoor pony site visits (Coulton)

CONSULTATIONS

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PROJECTS

- Assessment of Exmoor pony sites production of report giving recommendations on future management
- Produce seven new display banners
- Update Visit York and Visit Ryedale website content

• Review HH website content, links, etc

PROJECTS (FUTURE)

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RECREATION/ACCESS

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RECREATION/ACCESS (FUTURE)

 Contact iFootpaths to discuss the possibility of creating some Easy Access routes in the AONB

COMMUNITIES

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COMMUNITIES (FUTURE)

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PROMOTION/PUBLICITY/ INTERPRETATION

- Written content, sourced images, prepared submission to design team to produce a series of seven new pop-up banners
- Assessed existing HH material on Visit York and Visit Ryedale websites, suggested changes, written new copy and sent new images to increase profile of the HH on both websites through use of strong seasonal images

PROMOTION/PUBLICITY/ INTERPRETATION (FUTURE)

Refinement and updating of AONB website

TRAINING

- NYCC Induction
- Customer Care Essentials e-learning
- Equalities and Diversity e-learning
- Voice Connect system e-learning
- Introduction to Health and Safety elearning
- Compliments, Comments and Complaints e-learning

TRAINING (FUTURE)

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MISCELLANEOUS

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MISCELLANEOUS (FUTURE)

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RURAL ACTION YORKSHIRE

Report to Howardian Hills AONB Committee 1 April 2016 to 30 September 2016

Parish Plans

Amotherby: Parish plan document should be published shortly.

Slingsby: Complete – report to go out shortly

Swinton: Data collation should be complete by early November; approx 60% return

rate on questionnaires

Howardian Hills AONB Intergenerational Project

This project was successfully completed in June and consisted of four sessions involving nine older residents and twenty four Key Stage Two children from Terrington Primary School. They each did a series of workshops which looked at the preconceptions they had about each other, their hobbies and interests, their hopes and fears and how rural life has changed for the better and worse. A number of visual displays were produced and the children took 'selfie' photos of themselves and the older residents.

The findings showed a great deal of respect between the two generations and the older residents said they thought the youngsters of today are generally better behaved than they were.

The 'tea party' where the children and older residents shared their stories and asked each other questions was very popular, and the homemade buns and cakes were enjoyed by all.

Amotherby Ward Pilot Project

A new one-year pilot project covering the Amotherby Ward of Ryedale District Council commenced on 1 April. It covers the parishes of Broughton, Swinton, Amotherby, Appleton-le-Street, Habton and Kirby Misperton. This project is a partnership between RDC, HHAONB and RAY. A number of officers from RDC, Liz Bassindale and Cllr Fiona Farnell (Ward Cllr for Amotherby Ward) attend monthly steering group meetings.

The parishes meet four times/year to discuss common issues and ideas for future projects, and to indicate the help and support needed. Officers from other agencies attend to explain help/services available.

Phase one of the project has been to identify and record all the assets, facilities, resources, community groups, etc in each parish. This information is then put on to a series of digital maps that will be available via the web.

Phase two is to look at the way the parishes can work more closely together to share resources, expertise and what help and support they need to overcome reductions in some services, etc.

Phase Three will look at projects and actions that can deliver this support and help. Examples of some already identified are to produce a ward level emergency/resilience plan and activities for older residents such as luncheon/socials in local pubs.

Other wards in Ryedale have expressed an interest if this project proves to be successful and a template for this will be produced at the end.

Amotherby School are involved in three activities that will feed into the project. Reception and Years 1 & 2 children will be looking at the buildings and heritage in the area; Years 3 & 4 will be doing a plant and bird survey in Amotherby Conservation Churchyard; and Years 5 & 6 will be debating the problem of car parking around the school.

It is also planned to do an Inter-generational art-based project across the ward with Rural Arts North Yorkshire in March 2017

Howardian Hills AONB Photographic Competition 2016

Following the success of the first competition in 2014 it was decided to run this again – the competition is now open for entries and closes on 10 January 2017. Information on the categories and how to enter are on the Rural Action Yorkshire website www.ruralyorkshire.org.uk

Other activity / contacts with HHAONB

- Continuing to work with Sarah Robinson (NYCC Stronger Communities) to identify HHAONB communities who would qualify and benefit from support and funding.
- Hovingham Ward Parishes meeting was held on 24 March 2016, at Terrington Village Hall. Hovingham and Terrington PCs attended, as did Cllr Robert Wainwright and Liz Bassindale. Clare Slater from RDC explained how RDC can help the parishes. Another meeting is planned for 24 November 2016.
- Attend and support Swinton Action Group meetings.
- Met with Coleen Allwood (Alzheimer's Society) to further develop the 'Side by Side' project covering Ryedale.
- Attended Heritage Lottery funding event at Kirkbymoorside Library.
- Attended RDC Parish Liaison Meeting on 8 June. Did short presentation on the Amotherby Ward Project.
- Attending Ryedale Development Officer meetings.
- Attended Rvedale Village Hall Network meeting.

AONB PROJECTS 2016/2017

1st April 2016 – 1st November 2016

Projects that have received formal offers of assistance; Completed projects.

AONB Enhancement – Natural Environment

APPLICANT/ (CONTRACTOR)	LOCATION	PROJECT	LOCAL PRIORITY	OBJECTIVE	SCHEME COST	JAC ASSISTANCE
J Pilling	Grimston	Repair of 54m of field wall	Zone 1 Landscape	AG2.2	£6,625	£3,375
Ryevitalise Partnership	Ryevitalise HLF bid area	Contribution to Project Development phase	-	NE9.1	£339,600 (2 years)	£1,500 (Year 1)

APPLICANT/ (CONTRACTOR)	LOCATION	PROJECT	LOCAL PRIORITY	OBJECTIVE	SCHEME COST	JAC ASSISTANCE
(AONB Unit – Yorkshire Exmoor Pony Trust)	Coulton (2), Cawton (2), Terrington (2)	Conservation grazing of 6 SINCs or other important sites	Sites 1.59, 1.41, 1.47, 1.66, 1.20	NE3.1	£916	£551
(AONB Unit – 4Nature)	Mugdale & Barker Woods SINC	Cutting/pulling Himalayan balsam	Site 1.58	NE6.2	£750	£750
(AONB Unit – The Conservation Volunteers)	Jeffry Bog SINC	Cutting/pulling Himalayan balsam	Site 1.74	NE6.2	£1,750	£1,750
(AONB Unit – Moorswork + Volunteers) + village volunteers	River Derwent SSSI	Cutting/pulling Himalayan balsam	Site 1.73	NE6.2	£1,930	£480
(AONB Unit – 4Nature)	River Derwent SSSI	Cutting/pulling Himalayan balsam	Site 1.73	NE6.2	£750	£750

(AONB Unit – Moorswork + Volunteers)	Fairy Dell SINC	Cutting/pulling Himalayan balsam	Site 1.17	NE6.2	£620	£120
(AONB Unit – Don Davies)	Wath Beck	Cutting/pulling Himalayan balsam	Inc. Sites 1.33 & 1.65	NE6.2	£675	£675
(AONB Unit – Moorswork + Volunteers)	Yearsley Moor Woodlands SINC	Cutting bracken on semi-improved grassland site (July & August)	Site 1.5	NE3.3	£540	£240
(AONB Unit – Moorswork + Volunteers)	Appleton-le- Street Churchyard SINC	Grassland management	-	NE3.1	£640	£120
(AONB Unit – Moorswork)	Amotherby Lane SINC	Grassland/scrub management	Site 1.38	NE3.1	£120	£120
Amotherby Churchyard Conservation Group	Amotherby Churchyard	Habitat management	-	NE5.1	£420	£120 (25%)
North & East Yorkshire Geology Trust	AONB, Ryedale & Scarborough	HLF project – survey of potential RIGS in AONB, work with schools, preparation of draft Local Geodiversity Action Plan	-	NE7.1, NE7.2	£7,500	c.£40,000
(AONB Unit – Moorswork + Volunteers)	Terrington Carr SINC	Birch management (2 days)	Site 1.67	NE3.1	c.£840	£240
(AONB Unit – Moorswork + Volunteers)	Dalby Bush SSSI	Bramble cutting (2 days)	Site 1.56	NE3.1	c.£1040	£240
The Yorkshire Arboretum	Arboretum/ Visitor Centre	Bird, owl & bat boxes; camera system	-	LC2.1, AP2.3	c.£1,420	c.£900
Moorswork	AONB	Strimmer training for 3 of Moorswork team	-	D6.1	£480	£160
(AONB Unit – Castle Howard Estate)	Various	Beat-up failed trees and repair tree guards	-	NE8.2	c.£1,750	c.£1,750
(AONB Unit – J R Clifford & Sons)	Various	Management of 45 Special Interest Road Verges	-	NE3.1	c.£1,400	c.£1,400

AONB Enhancement - Historic Environment

APPLICANT	LOCATION	PROJECT	LOCAL PRIORITY	OBJECTIVE	SCHEME COST	JAC ASSISTANCE
(AONB Unit – P & A Gospel Landscapes)	City of Troy Maze, Dalby	Regular maintenance	Site 2.25	HE2.5	c.£200	c.£200
(AONB Unit – P & A Gospel Landscapes)	Mileposts	Regular maintenance	Site 2.63	HE2.5, RT4.5	c.£170	c.£170
(AONB Unit – 4Nature)	City of Troy Maze, Dalby	Re-cutting & re-gravelling	Site 2.25	HE2.5	£339	£339
(AONB Unit – Cleveland Corrosion Control)	Oswaldkirk	Fabrication of 1 modern replica village name sign	-	HE2.5, LC1.4	£1,150	£1,150
(AONB Unit – Cleveland Corrosion Control)	Crayke	Restoration of 1 traditional village name sign; fabrication of 3 modern replicas	-	HE2.5, LC1.4	£3,800	£3,400
(AONB Unit – Cleveland Corrosion Control)	Ganthorpe	Restoration of 1 traditional village name sign	-	HE2.5, LC1.4	£800	£700
(AONB Unit – Cleveland Corrosion Control)	Terrington	Fabrication of 2 replica village name signs	-	HE2.5, LC1.4	£2,100	£1,900
(AONB Unit – Cleveland Corrosion Control)	Crambe	Restoration of 1 traditional village name sign	-	HE2.5, LC1.4	£800	£800
(AONB Unit – Cleveland Corrosion Control)	Cawton	Restoration of 2 traditional village name signs	-	HE2.5, LC1.4	£1,600	£1,600
(AONB Unit – Cleveland Corrosion Control)	Yearsley	Restoration of 1 traditional village name sign; fabrication of 1 modern replica	-	HE2.5, LC1.4	£1,850	£1,850
(AONB Unit – Cleveland Corrosion Control)	Oulston	Restoration of 2 traditional village name signs	-	HE2.5, LC1.4	£1,600	£1,600
(AONB Unit – Cleveland Corrosion Control)	Kirkham	Restoration of 1 traditional village name sign	-	HE2.5, LC1.4	£800	£800

MONUMENT MAN	AGEMENT SCHEME					
Historic England f	unded					
(AONB Unit – Volunteers)	Fryton/ Coneysthorpe	Surveying 2 Scheduled Monuments	Site 2.34 & 2.38	HE2.3	£450	£0
(AONB Unit – Moorswork + AONB staff)	Yearsley	Brash and seedling clearance on 1 Scheduled Monument	Site 2.13	HE2.3	£50	£0
(AONB Unit – Moorswork + Volunteers)	Grimston	Brash clearance on 2 Scheduled Monuments	Site 2.4	HE2.3	£1,290	£240
(AONB Unit – 4Nature)	Oulston, Coneysthorpe	Advice on scrub clearance and re-vegetation options on 5 Scheduled Monuments	Sites 2.12, 2.20, 2.40	HE2.3	c.£2,000	c.£2,000
(AONB Unit – Moorswork + Volunteers)	Grimston	Brash clearance on 3 Scheduled Monuments	Site 2.4	HE2.3	c.£1,040	£240
(AONB Unit – Volunteers)	Fryton	Raking bramble brash off 1 Scheduled Monument	Site 2.39	HE2.3	c.£220	£120
(AONB Unit – Moorswork + Volunteers)	Scackleton	Brash & scrub clearance on 1 Scheduled Monument	Site 2.84	HE2.3	c.£520	£120
(AONB Unit – Moorswork + Volunteers)	Hovingham	Brash clearance on 4 Scheduled Monuments	Site 2.36	HE2.3	c.£520	£120
(AONB Unit – Volunteers)	Fryton	Raking bramble brash off 2 Scheduled Monuments	Site 2.39	HE2.3	c.£220	£120
(AONB Unit – Volunteers)	Welburn	Raking bramble brash off 1 Scheduled Monument	Site 2.69	HE2.3	c.£220	£120
(AONB Unit – Moorswork + Volunteers)	Coneysthorpe	Raking bramble brash off 1 Scheduled Monument	Site 2.34	HE2.3	c.£1,240	£240
(AONB Unit – Volunteers)	Welburn	Brash clearance on 1 Scheduled Monument	Site 2.68	HE2.3	c.£100	£0
(AONB Unit – Volunteers)	Brandsby	Brash clearance on 1 Scheduled Monument	Site 2.3	HE2.3	c.£100	£0

AONB funded						
(AONB Unit – Reeves Forestry & Fencing)	Various	Spraying bracken on 20 Scheduled Monuments	Sites 2.3, 2.4, 2.11, 2.12, 2.24, 2.34, 2.36, 2.37, 2.39, 2.40, 2.68, 2.69	HE2.3	£1,364	£1,364
(AONB Unit – Forestry Commission)	Oulston, Grimston	Spraying bracken on 3 Scheduled Monuments	Sites 2.12, HE2.3 2.20		c.£250	£0
(AONB Unit – Reeves Forestry & Fencing)	Dalby, Hovingham	Strimming bramble on 2 Scheduled Monuments	Sites 2.24, 2.35	HE2.3	£180	£180
(AONB Unit – Castle Howard Estate)	Fryton	Strimming bramble on 2 Scheduled Monuments	Site 2.39	HE2.3	c.£120	£0
(AONB Unit – Moorswork)	Hovingham	Raking bramble brash and re-seeding on 1 Scheduled Monument	Site 2.35	HE2.3	£240	£240
(AONB Unit – A Johnson)	Yearsley	New water pipe connection and stoning to move water trough and feeder off 1 Scheduled Monument	Site 2.2	HE2.3	c.£2,700	c.£1,600
(AONB Unit – Reeves Forestry & Fencing)	Hovingham	Strimming bramble on 1 Scheduled Monument	Site 2.37	HE2.3	c.£60	c.£60
(AONB Unit – Castle Howard Estate)	Fryton, Welburn, Coneysthorpe	Strimming bramble on 4 Scheduled Monuments	Sites 2.39, 2.34, 2.69	HE2.3	c.£360	c.£180
(AONB Unit – ?)	Oulston	Scrub clearance from 1 Scheduled Monument	Site 2.12	HE2.3	c.£2,000	c.£2,000
(AONB Unit – ?)	Coneysthorpe	Scrub clearance from 2 Scheduled Monuments	Site 2.40	HE2.3	c.£1,000	c.£1,000
		Monuments				

AONB Enhancement – Sustainable Development & Rural Economy

APPLICANT	LOCATION	PROJECT	LOCAL PRIORITY	OBJECTIVE	SCHEME COST	JAC ASSISTANCE
Rural Action Yorkshire	Amotherby Ward & AONB	Sustainable Rural Communities project, working with communities on community planning; also work on Amotherby Ward plan	-	LC1.2, LC1.3	£11,000	£5,750 (52%)
Slingsby May Day Committee	Slingsby	May Day and community events resources	-	LC1.4	£2,750	£1,000
Howsham Mill	Howsham Mill	Environmental/sustainable power educational resources	-	LC2.1	£288	£288
Howsham Mill	Howsham Mill	Creating Forest Schools and recreation areas	-	LC2.1	£720	£120
Rural Action Yorkshire	Hovingham & Ampleforth	Inter-generational project	-	LC2.1	£1,300	£925 (70%)
Recreation						
(AONB Unit – Moorswork)	Various	Litter picking (5 visits)	Sites 3.8, 3.14, 3.19	RA4.5	£600	£600
(AONB Unit – P Gospel)	Gateway signs	Strimming	-	AP1.1	c.£650	c.£650
(AONB Unit – Moorswork + Volunteers)	Terrington	Repairs to 2 sets of steps	-	RA3.1, IM1.3	£470	£120
(AONB Unit/NYCC Countryside Access Service)	AONB	PRoW Improvement Project across 5 parishes, delivered by NYMNPA Modern Apprentices	-	RA3.1	c.£10,000	£7,500
Promotion/Rural Economy						
(AONB Unit)	Howardian Hills/Ryedale	Promotional campaign with Visit York & Ryedale DC	-	RA2.1	c.£10,500	£1,500
Volunteering						
	Misc	Volunteer input – shows, Junior Ranger Club, etc	Various	Various	£1,000	-

Young People's activities

APPLICANT	LOCATION	PROJECT	LOCAL PRIORITY	OBJECTIVE	SCHEME COST	JAC ASSISTANCE
(AONB Unit)	Arboretum	Junior Ranger Club x 2	-	AP2.3	£814	£285

AONB CONSULTATIONS (SPECIFIC DEVELOPMENT PROPOSALS) 2016/2017

1st April 2016 – 1st November 2016

CONSULTING ORGANISATION	LOCATION	PROJECT	SITE VISIT	COMMENTS	OUTCOME
Ryedale District Council	Various	Weekly Lists of Planning Applications and Decisions	-	-	-
Hambleton District Council	Various	Weekly Lists of Planning Applications and Decisions	-	-	-
North Yorkshire County Council	Various	Weekly list of Planning Applications	-	-	-
North York Moors National Park Authority	Various	Weekly Lists of Planning Applications and Decisions	-	-	-
Forestry Commission	Various	Grants & Licences Public Register	-	-	-
Ryedale District Council	Broughton	Planning application (Erection of agricultural storage building)	Yes	Object – inappropriate siting in a garden	Permitted
Hambleton District Council	Crayke	Planning application (Installation of replacement glazing)	No	None	-
Ryedale District Council	Amotherby	Planning application (Erection of 17 dwellings)	Yes (in passing)	None	-
Forestry Commission	Castle Howard	Felling proposals (0.65ha larch to NS/SS/DF)	No	None	-
Hambleton District Council	Crayke	Certificate of Lawfulness (Retention of timber barn)	Yes	Does existing stables block have Consent?	-
Hambleton District Council	Husthwaite	Planning application (Temporary storage of log cabins and mobile homes, for repairs)	Yes	None	(Refused)
Ryedale District Council	Bulmer	Planning application (Erection of 2-storey extension)	No	None	-
Ryedale District Council	Huttons Ambo	Planning application (Erection of extension to Village Hall)	No	None	-
Ryedale District Council	Welburn	Planning application (House alterations)	No	None	-
Hambleton District Council	Brandsby	Planning application (Conversion of farm buildings to residential units)	No	None	-

CONSULTING ORGANISATION	LOCATION	PROJECT	SITE VISIT	COMMENTS	OUTCOME
Hambleton District Council	Whenby	Agricultural Prior Notification (Erection of an agricultural building)	No	None	-
Ryedale District Council	Sproxton	Planning application (Conversion of outbuildings to form additional accommodation)	No	None	-
Ryedale District Council	Hovingham	Planning application (House alterations and erection of timber fence)	No	None	-
Hambleton District Council	Yearsley	Planning application (Erection of car port link)	No	None	-
Hambleton District Council	Yearsley	Planning application (Variation of design of new barn)	No	Roof colour to be darker shade than proposed	Permitted, with revised colour
Ryedale District Council	Welburn	Planning application (Erection of agricultural building for sheep)	Yes	None	-
Ryedale District Council	Welburn	Planning application (Erection of 12.5m mobile phone mast)	Yes	Antennae to be a dark colour	Permitted, with Condition on colour
Ryedale District Council	Malton	Planning application (House alterations)	Yes (in passing)	Prefer windows in blank gable wall	Permitted, with revised design
North Yorkshire County Council	Ampleforth	NRSWA (Drainage investigation works)	No	Species-rich hedge on western side	?
Forestry Commission	Brandsby	Woodland management proposals (0.4ha mixed woodland to broadleaves)	No	None	-
Ryedale District Council	Welburn	Planning application (Erection of garage)	No	None	-
Ryedale District Council	Scackleton	Planning application (Erection of extensions)	Yes (in passing)	None	-
Ryedale District Council	Ampleforth	Planning application (Demolition of barns and erection of extensions)	Yes	Significant concerns about gate & piers	Plans revised
Hambleton District Council	Brandsby	Planning application (Erection of barn and sheep building)	Yes	Agricultural justification?	Plans revised
Ryedale District Council	Malton	Planning application (Erection of business units)	No	Roof colour to be dark grey	Permitted, with Condition

CONSULTING ORGANISATION	LOCATION	PROJECT	SITE VISIT	COMMENTS	OUTCOME
Hambleton District Council	Crayke	Certificate of Lawfulness (Retention of a stable block and barn - revised)	Previously	None	-
Ryedale District Council	Low Hutton	Planning application (House alterations and extension)	Yes (in passing)	None	-
Forestry Commission	Terrington	Woodland management proposals (Fell 3.5ha larch PAWS and replant with evergreen conifers)	Yes	Objection - landscape and biodiversity impact. UKFS compliant?	Species mix amended to 100% broadleaves
Hambleton District Council	Yearsley	Planning application (Erection of extensions)	Yes	Minor – design details	Permitted, no changes
Ryedale District Council	Ampleforth Abbey	Planning application (Erection of lobby and link bridge)	No	None	-
Hambleton District Council	Oulston	Planning application (Erection of extension)	Yes	Concerns about size and scale	Plans revised
Hambleton District Council	Crayke	Agricultural Prior Notification (Erection of agricultural building extensions/links)	Yes	None	-
Ryedale District Council	Ampleforth	Planning application (Demolition of barns and erection of extensions - revised)	Previously	Continuing concerns about gate & piers	Permitted
Ryedale District Council	Coulton	Agricultural Prior Notification (Erection of agricultural building)	Yes	Roof colour to be dark grey; requires full planning application?	Full planning application required
Forestry Commission	Coneysthorpe	Woodland management proposals (Fell 3.3ha larch PAWS and replant with 100% broadleaves)	No	Support	-
Forestry Commission	Coneysthorpe	Woodland management proposals (Thin 4ha larch PAWS to encourage natural regeneration of broadleaves)	No	No brash to be deposited on Scheduled Monument	-
Forestry Commission	Coneysthorpe	Woodland management proposals (Thin 4ha larch PAWS to encourage natural regeneration of broadleaves)	No	No brash to be deposited on Scheduled Monument	-
Forestry Commission	Coneysthorpe	Woodland management proposals (Thin 4ha larch PAWS to encourage natural regeneration of broadleaves)	No	No brash to be deposited on Scheduled Monument	-

CONSULTING ORGANISATION	LOCATION	PROJECT	SITE VISIT	COMMENTS	OUTCOME
Forestry Commission	Terrington	Woodland management proposals (Thin 10ha larch to remove nurse crop and encourage broadleaves)	No	Avoid damage to ancient/veteran trees	-
Forestry Commission	Terrington	Woodland management proposals (Thin 5ha broadleaved PAWS to encourage natural regeneration)	No	None	-
Forestry Commission	Barton-le-Willows	Woodland management proposals (Fell 1.2ha conifers and replant with 100% broadleaves)	No	None	-
Hambleton District Council	Yearsley	Planning application (Erection of extensions)	Yes	Minor – design details	Permitted, Informative re non- reflective glass
Hambleton District Council	Brandsby	Planning application (Erection of barn and sheep building - revised)	Previously	Change in size and roof colour noted	Refused
Ryedale District Council	Gilling	Planning application (Erection of stable block and gate)	Yes	Colour of roof; details of gateway	Permitted, with Condition
Ryedale District Council	Hovingham	Planning application (Erection of replacement dwelling)	Yes	Concerns – incongruous design features	Amended (see below)
Hambleton District Council	Oulston	Planning application (Erection of extension)	Previously	Reduction in size noted	Permitted
Ryedale District Council	Terrington	Planning application (Erection of dwelling)	Yes	None	-
Ryedale District Council	Terrington	Planning application (Erection of dwelling)	Yes	None	-
Ryedale District Council	Swinton	Planning application (Erection of livestock building)	Yes	Colours, cladding, landscaping	Permitted, with amendments & Conditions
Ryedale District Council	Swinton	Planning application (Erection of agricultural workers dwelling)	Yes	Landscaping needed	Withdrawn
Forestry Commission	Stittenham	Woodland management proposals (Convert 1.2ha conifer PAWS to native broadleaves; Thin 27ha of mixed conifer/broadleaved PAWS)	No	None	-

CONSULTING ORGANISATION	LOCATION	PROJECT	SITE VISIT	COMMENTS	OUTCOME
Tilhill Forestry	Oswaldkirk & Stittenham	Woodland Management Plan	No	None	-
Forestry Commission	Bulmer	Woodland management proposals (Thin 12.5ha of broadleaved PAWS)	No	None	-
Ryedale District Council	Coulton	Planning application (Erection of agricultural building)	Previously	Roof colour to be dark grey	Permitted, with Condition
Ryedale District Council	Whitwell	Planning application (Conversion of outbuildings to holiday accommodation)	Yes	None	-
Hambleton District Council	Brandsby	Planning application (Erection of extension)	Yes	Query current domestic use of agricultural land	Amended (see below)
Environment Agency	Howsham	Fish passage proposals for Howsham Weir	No	None	-
Ryedale District Council	Oswaldkirk	Planning application (Erection of double garage)	Yes	None	(Refused)
Ryedale District Council	Oswaldkirk	Planning application (Insertion of new windows in Village Hall)	Yes	None	-
Ryedale District Council	Welburn	Planning application (Erection of extension)	No	None	-
Hambleton District Council	Brandsby	Planning application (Erection of extension - revised)	Yes	None	Permitted
Forestry Commission	Howsham	Woodland management proposals (Thin 48ha of broadleaved & mixed PAWS)	No	None	-
Ryedale District Council	Hovingham	Planning application (Erection of replacement dwelling - revised)	Previously	None	?
Ryedale District Council	Terrington	Planning application (Erection of extensions)	No	No garage facility	?
Ryedale District Council	Malton	Planning application (Erection of new buildings to create racing yard - retrospective)	Yes	None	-
Hambleton District Council	Husthwaite	Planning application (Temporary storage of log cabins and mobile homes, for repairs - revised)	Previously	Suggested improvements to landscaping scheme	?
Ryedale District Council	Hovingham	Planning application (Conversion of barn to dwelling - revised)	Yes	?	?
Hambleton District Council	Newburgh	Planning application (Alterations, conversion & erection of extension to form function suite and accommodation)	Yes	?	?

CONSULTING ORGANISATION	LOCATION	PROJECT	SITE VISIT	COMMENTS	OUTCOME
Hambleton District Council	Brandsby	Planning application (Erection of 3 dwellings)	Yes	Object – contrary to national and local planning policy	?
Ryedale District Council	Swinton	Planning application (Erection of agricultural workers dwelling – re-submission)	Previously	Landscaping needed	?
Ryedale District Council	Scackleton	Planning application (Erection of 2 storey barn/garage)	Yes	Object – excessive size and scale	?
Ryedale District Council	Gilling	Planning application (Erection of 15m mobile phone mast)	Yes	?	?
Ryedale District Council	Gilling	Planning application (Erection of extensions)	?	?	?

AONB CONSULTATIONS & NOTIFICATIONS (STRATEGIES, ETC) 2016/2017

1st April 2016 – 1st November 2016

ORGANISATION	AREA	DOCUMENT	COMMENTS	OUTCOME
Ryedale District Council	Slingsby, South Holme & Fryton Parishes	Draft Village Design Statement	Query description of limestone as 'Magnesian'	?
DCLG (via NAAONB)	England	Rural Planning Review call for evidence	Support retention of current planning safeguards for Protected Areas	?
North York Moors National Park Authority	North York Moors National Park	Management Plan 2012 - 2027	Minor, re landscape connectivity	?
North York Moors National Park Authority	North York Moors National Park	Local Plan	?	?
Hambleton District Council	Hambleton District	Local Plan – Preferred Options	?	?

2016/17 Junior Ranger Activities

The Junior Ranger sessions this year have been delivered with the Education Officer from The Yorkshire Arboretum at Howsham Mill and The Yorkshire Arboretum.

May/June Half Term 2016:

Ranger Day	Activities	No of children attending
Island Explorers Wednesday 31 st May Howsham Mill	Forest Schools shelter building Cooking over open fires (led by Forest Schools leader) Tansy Beetle activities (led by Tansy Beetle Officer) Waterwheels Otter masks Cut out beetles Stained glass dragonflies	31

October 2016:

Ranger Day	Activities	No of children attending
Amazing Autumn Wednesday 26 th October The Yorkshire Arboretum	Autumn leaf collecting Dissecting owl pellets Plaster of Paris animal prints Owls on a plate Owl biscuits Leaf printing Leaf bugs Minibeast hunting	27

December 2016:

Ranger Day	Activities	No of children attending
Wednesday 21 st December		
The Yorkshire Arboretum		

February 2017:

Ranger Day	Activities	No of children attending
Wednesday 22 nd February		