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Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty

# HOWARDIAN HILLS AREA OF OUTSTANDING NATURAL BEAUTY JOINT ADVISORY COMMITTEE

# Venue: Terrington Village Hall, Mowthorpe Lane, Terrington, YO60 6PZ (see attached location plan)

# Date: Thursday 11 April 2019 at 10.00 am

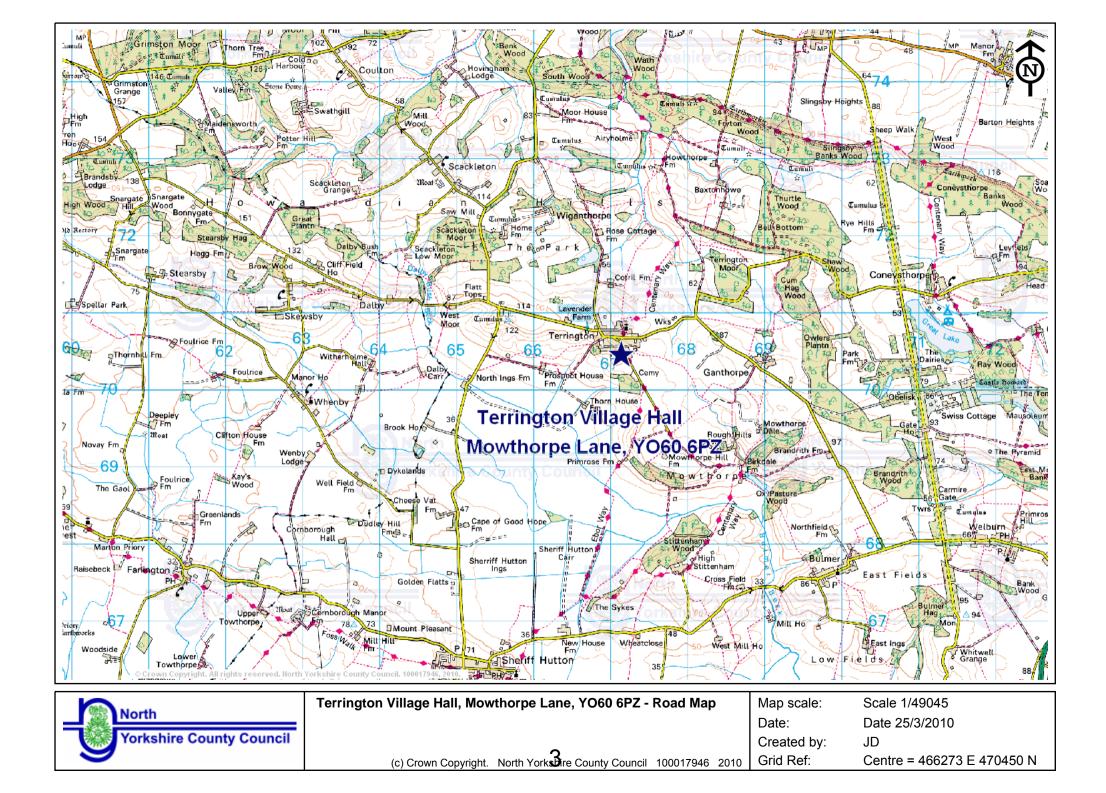
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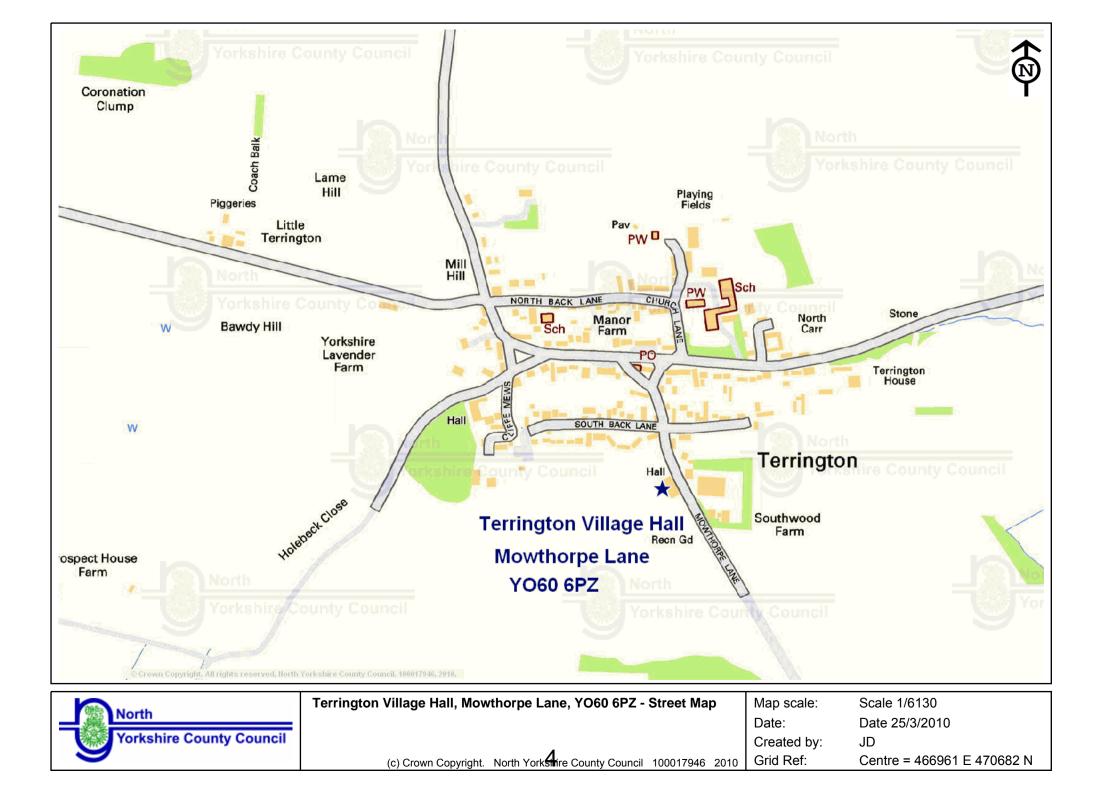
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# Howardian Hills Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty Joint Advisory Committee

# Membership

Nor	th Yorkshire County Council (2)
1	GOODRICK, Caroline
2	PATMORE, Caroline
_	dale District Council (2)
3	FARNELL, Fiona
4	WAINWRIGHT, Robert
Han	nbleton District Council (2)
5	COOKMAN, Christine
6	Vacancy
Pari	sh Councils (2)
7	ELLIS, Victoria (Ryedale)
8	Vacancy (Hambleton)
Cou	Intry Land and Business Association (1)
9	WORSLEY, Sir William
Nati	ional Farmers Union (2)
10	HESKETH, Rebecca
11	Vacancy
	estry Commission (1)
12	SMITH, Jim
	nblers (1)
13	WHITEHOUSE, Harry
	ural England (2)
14	KIRKUP, Ailsa
15	Vacancy





# Howardian Hills Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty Joint Advisory Committee

The Minutes of the meeting held at Hovingham Village Hall on 22 November 2018, commencing at 10.00 am

#### Present

#### Members:

North Yorkshire County Council: County Councillors Caroline Goodrick and Caroline Patmore Ryedale District Council: Councillor Robert Wainwright (Chairman) Hambleton District Council: Councillor Christine Cookman Forestry Commission: James Shallcross Ramblers: Harry Whitehouse

#### Officers:

Howardian Hills AONB team: Paul Jackson and Liz Bassindale North Yorkshire County Council: Daniel Harry, Liz Small and Kate Arscott (Secretary) Ryedale District Council: Howard Wallis Hambleton District Council: Ann Stewart

#### Copies of all documents considered are in the Minute Book

#### 115 Apologies

Apologies for absence were submitted on behalf of Ryedale District Councillor Fiona Farnell, Victoria Ellis (Ryedale Parish Councils), Sir William Worsley (Country Land and Business Association), Jim Smith (Forestry Commission), Andy Stephenson (National Farmers Union) and Ailsa Kirkup (Natural England).

#### 116 Minutes of the Joint Advisory Committee meeting held on 19 April 2018

#### Resolved

That the minutes of the meeting held on 19 April 2018, having been previously circulated, be taken as read and be confirmed and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

#### 117 JAC Virtual Site Tour of 2017/18 Work

JAC members were given a slide presentation of examples of work undertaken in 2017/18.

Members clarified the approaches taken to bracken clearance within the AONB area, with regard to Natural England and Historic England advice. They also discussed the role of volunteers in supporting the Monument Management Scheme, and the encouragement of local action groups to keep village name signs cleared.

#### 118 AONB Unit Activity

Members considered a detailed report of the work areas and progress achieved by the AONB Unit since the last meeting of the Joint Advisory Committee. This was

accompanied by a slide presentation showcasing some of the work undertaken. The Appendices to the report set out the following:-

Appendix 1 - details of the work, meetings and site visits that had been carried out by the AONB Manager and AONB Officers in the period April to November 2018.

Appendix 2 - full details of the grants offered and projects developed to date during the financial year

Appendix 3 - details of the consultations that the JAC had received during the year and the AONB Manager's detailed responses to specific applications

Appendix 4 – full details of the activities and attendance for the 2018-19 Junior Rangers activity sessions

Members sought the AONB Officers' advice with regard to village halls that required support in applying for grants. An example was Brandsby Village Hall which was being damaged by Masonry Bees. Officers advised that there is a Village Halls Officer employed by Community First Yorkshire who may be able to assist or provide appropriate signposting.

In response to a query about the poor appearance of Crayke Castle, the AONB Manager confirmed that there has been no direct involvement with the owners for some time, and little opportunity to take any action, although Hambleton District Council had taken enforcement action in relation to tree felling.

Liz Small undertook to circulate historic environment colleagues for any information or advice on either of the above issues.

Members noted that there was some evidence of vehicles overrunning onto the verge at the new A64 Barton Hill junction.

In response to a member query, the AONB Manager confirmed that Section 106 funding associated with the York Potash mine could not be used for habitat schemes outside the National Park boundary.

#### Resolved

That the report be noted.

# 119 AONB Indicators

Members noted a report detailing performance against selected indicators used to measure AONB performance annually. It was noted that it was likely that the new national Key Performance Indicators for AONBs would be in place for the 2018/19 reporting. The AONB Manager particularly drew Members' attention to indicators 4 and 5 relating to financial resources and leverage.

With regard to projected future Defra grant, the Committee was advised that the AONB was benefitting from a protected settlement plus inflation until 2020. It was anticipated that the outcomes from the Glover Review currently taking place would influence the next Comprehensive Spending Review in relation to future AONB funding.

#### Resolved

That the Performance Indicator results contained in Appendix 1 be noted.

#### 120 AONB Budget

Members noted a report detailing final income and expenditure during 2017/18, setting out the current position with the 2018/19 budget and considering the anticipated budgetary requirement for 2019/20.

The AONB Manager reported that there had been a 5% underspend against the 2017/18 budget, mostly in relation to monument management work funded by Historic England. Reserves of £63,173 were carried forward into 2018/19. 139 volunteer days had been achieved with a value of  $\pounds$ 7.9k.

The AONB Manager updated the Committee on the latest position in relation to the 2018/19 budget, drawing particular attention to the AONB Enhancement budgets. Based on current spending predictions, it was anticipated that the amount to carry forward into 2019/20 would be approximately £55,500.

In 2019/20 it was planned that staffing would fall back from 2.2 to 2.0 full-time equivalents, following the publication of the new Management Plan. Due to the uncertainty about the level of funding beyond 2020, there was very minimal planned allocation of reserves for next year.

In responding to Members' questions, the AONB Manager confirmed that the relocation of staff to the National Park office in Helmsley was still successful, both in monetary terms and also in terms of networking opportunities and support for the small AONB staff team. It was also likely that the Glover Review would recommend closer working between AONBs and National Parks.

It was confirmed that the grant towards roofing costs at Hovingham Village Hall was only a minority contribution towards the total costs. This was the first example of grant being used to protect investment in a village hall and signalled a shift in the approach towards maintaining the condition of buildings, following previous investments in improvements.

#### Resolved

a) The details of the JAC expenditure during 2017/18 be received for information

b) Partner authorities be asked to make appropriate provision in their revenue budgets for the work of the JAC in 2019/20, in line with Appendix 2 and section 4 of the report.

#### 121 AONB Management Plan Review

Members considered a report on the progress of the AONB Management Plan review and next steps. A detailed review timetable was set out in Appendix 1 to the report. Appendix 2 contained a summary of the 17 responses received in response to the consultation on the Plan review. A schedule of the full responses was provided to all Committee members.

Members raised concerns about the growth of holiday homes, and in particular cabin developments, both within and close to the AONB area, in relation to future economic impact and the sustainability of existing similar businesses. They suggested that consideration be given as to how these matters could be best addressed within the Management Plan and in responding to planning applications. This was separate to the existing practice of raising any concerns about visual and landscape issues through the District Council's established development control consultation procedures.

Members of the Committee acknowledged with thanks the time spent on the review by AONB staff.

#### Resolved

That the progress and next steps be noted for information.

#### 122 National Activity

The Committee received an update on national issues and the work of the National Association for AONBs, covering the following topics:

- Agriculture Bill
- The Glover Review of Protected Landscapes
- Key Performance Indicators
- Defra grant claiming mechanism
- Anticipated Environment Bill

The AONB Manager briefed the Committee on the current progress of the Agriculture Bill, including a potential plan for the Chairman to write to the local MP in support of a proposed amendment to the Bill from the National Associations for AONBs regarding the inclusion of the words 'landscape quality' in one Clause of the Bill.

He also confirmed that the Chairman would submit a response on behalf of the AONB to the Glover Review call for evidence, and it was possible that the AONB may be requested to host a visit in the spring.

#### Resolved

That the work being carried out on national initiatives be noted for information.

#### **123** Reports from Partner Organisations

Members of the Committee shared the following information not already covered elsewhere on the agenda:

#### Forestry Commission

James Shallcross alerted members that next year will be the Forestry Commission centenary. Events include a ceremonial tree planting in Hovingham, as Sir William Worsley is the government-appointed Tree Champion.

He reported on large scale felling to take place in Gilling Wood following an outbreak of Phytophthora, and on rhododendron control taking place in another part of the AONB area.

He also drew Members' attention to a Tree Health event being held in Harrogate in the spring, focusing on ash dieback.

#### Ryedale District Council

Howard Wallis reported that the public examination of the Ryedale Site Allocation Plan had taken place in October. It was hoped to receive the Planning Inspector's report in January 2019.

He also alerted colleagues that there was a new call for projects related to tourism and distinctiveness under the LEADER programme, through the North York Moors Coast and Hills Local Action Group. Contact the National Park Authority for further information.

#### North Yorkshire County Council

Liz Small paid tribute to the AONB team's hard work in support of the Ryevitalise bid which is to be submitted next week. She confirmed that the County Council was making a financial contribution and Council staff had also been supporting the development of the bid.

She also confirmed that the County Council had commented on the Environmental Governance and Principles Bill and would be responding to the Glover Review. Liz alerted members to a project being undertaken by the Local Enterprise Partnership (LEP) on support for the supply chain in relation to food production. She noted that the LEP's boundaries were also currently under review.

#### Hambleton District Council

Ann Stewart introduced herself to the Committee as one of a number of new appointments to Hambleton District Council's Development Management team. She reported that the identification of further sites had delayed the progress of the Local Plan, which was now due to be considered by Cabinet in June 2019 for approval to consult.

#### Natural England

The AONB Manager reported on behalf of Natural England that Defra had approved a four year extension of some high level stewardship schemes. However this was not automatic and some schemes may move to the Middle Tier scheme. It was anticipated that the arrangements would be in place until the end of the current Parliament, in line with other agricultural commitments.

#### 124 Date of next JAC Meetings

#### Resolved

That the next meetings of the Joint Advisory Committee be held on Thursday 11 April and Thursday 14 November 2019 at 10am. That, following a number of meetings at Hovingham Village Hall, the next meetings be held at other locations across the AONB.

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The meeting concluded at 12.05pm

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#### HOWARDIAN HILLS AREA OF OUTSTANDING NATURAL BEAUTY JOINT ADVISORY COMMITTEE 11 APRIL 2019

#### 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 last meeting of the JAC.

#### 2.0 SUMMARY OF PROGRESS ACHIEVED

- 2.1 Appendix 1 gives separate details of the work, meetings and site visits that have been carried out by the AONB Manager and AONB Officers in the period 14<sup>th</sup> November 2018 to 2<sup>nd</sup> April 2019. Appendix 2 gives full details of the wide range of projects that the AONB has assisted during the year. Appendix 3 gives details of the Consultations that the JAC has received during the year.
- 2.2 The Team has continued to be involved in a considerable number of conservation partnerships the River Rye Group preparing the Stage 2 HLF bid for the Ryevitalise Project, River Derwent Catchment Partnership, the Scarborough, Ryedale & Howardian Hills LBAP, the North Yorkshire Local Geological Sites Panel, the Yorkshire Farm Flora Facilitation Fund and the Turtle Doves project.
- 2.3 Countryside management work has been continuing, through the AONB Project Fund, with roadside wall and hedge restoration projects completed. A programme of restoration and replacement of 8 village name signs in 3 villages has also been completed.
- 2.4 The Geodiversity Audit moved on to the assessment and ratification stage, with 17 sites being identified as Candidate Local Geological Sites. These were rationalised into 16 distinct sites and all were approved by the specialist geologists on the Local Geological Sites Panel as being worthy of designation. Site citations were prepared by one of the geologists and they will be passed to Ryedale DC for the formal notification process.
- 2.5 Volunteer activity on practical work during the last six months has focused on carrying out scrub removal/management works, on Peel Wood & Grasslands SINC, Littledale SINC, Amotherby Lane SINC and Foss Spring Mire (SINC). The volunteer team was out almost every fortnight during the winter months, with no alterations needing to be made due to adverse weather conditions.
- 2.6 Liz Bassindale has been working with the Community First Yorkshire Development Officer and a full list of the work carried out by the CFY officer in the AONB is attached as part of Appendix 1.
- 2.7 The Public Rights of Way Improvement Project, in partnership with NYCC's Countryside Access Service, has slowed down a bit due to staff changes at NYCC. The North York Moors National Park Modern Apprentices Team has however recently replaced stiles with gates at Hovingham, repaired gates at Terrington and installed a long stretch of new hand rail at Gilling. The photographing of a second batch of 15 new or replacement roadside Public Rights of Way fingerpost signs has been completed by the AONB Team.
- 2.8 A February Junior Ranger Club was delivered. Full details of the activities and attendance for the 2018/19 activity sessions are shown in Appendix 4.

- 2.9 Copies of the 25 planning responses made since the last meeting of the JAC are attached for information as part of Appendix 3.
- 2.10 The Management Plan review has been completed, with the schedule of comments and proposed changes to the Draft Plan prepared, the approved changes to the Draft Plan made and the updated documents issued to the Local Authorities for Adoption.
- 2.11 The Heritage Lottery Fund made a Board-level visit in February to assess the Ryevitalise Project bid and AONB staff were heavily involved in both the organisation and the day itself. The HLF Board meeting was held on 26<sup>th</sup> March and an announcement on the result is due to be made after the purdah period for Local Government elections.
- 2.12 As anticipated, we were asked to host a visit from one of the Protected Landscapes Review Panel members. Sarah Mukherjee visited on 26<sup>th</sup> March and was accompanied around a variety of sites by the Chairman and AONB Team staff. A separate Report on the visit is tabled on the Agenda.
- 2.13 Forward planning of the Turtle Doves survey work, Exmoor Ponies grazing project, Monument Management Scheme bracken control works, Himalayan balsam control, AONB Volunteers Work Plan, Ryedale Show and Junior Ranger Club sessions has been carried out.
- 2.14 NAAONB work has principally involved participating in on-line discussions on policy matters, information-sharing and promotional work. Additional input has been made by Paul Jackson to a joint NAAONB/Defra Working Group on Performance Metrics. Staff also attended national NAAONB meetings including the national Chairmen and Lead Officers' seminar and AGM in November and a Lead Officers' meeting in March.
- 2.15 The Joint Advisory Committee's budget for 2018/19 is projected to be fully spent this year. Although less staff time was spent on the Monument Management Scheme than was anticipated, and therefore the income received from Historic England was lower than predicted, this has been counter-balanced by the number of schemes funded by the AONB Project Fund. The balance of funds carried forward into 2019/20 is therefore predicted to be as budgeted, at approximately £55,500. £2,600 of the 'Reserve Funds' has been allocated within the 2019/20 budget, although this may need to be increased given the level of demand for project funding that we are already seeing in the new financial year.
- 2.16 A grant allocation proposal and draft work programme for 2019/20 was submitted to Defra in February. The interim claim for payment of the 2018/19 grant was also submitted on schedule in January and payment has been received.

#### 3.0 RECOMMENDATION

That the report be received for information.

# AONB MANAGER'S REPORT

# 14<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER 2018 - 3<sup>rd</sup> APRIL 2019

Work during this period has principally consisted of:

- Planning application consultation scrutiny and responses.
- Management Plan review preparing the schedule of comments and proposed changes to the Draft Plan, making the approved changes to the Draft Plan and issuing the updated documents to the Local Authorities for Adoption.
- Submitting the Interim 2018/19 Grant Claim to Defra.
- Assisting with the HLF Board Members' visit to look at the Ryevitalise bid and project area.
- Submitting the 2019/20 Grant Allocation Proposal and draft Annual Action Programme to Defra.
- Organising participants for the Protected Landscapes Review Panel visit.
- Updating the MMS site management records.
- Developing MMS work programme for summer and autumn.

## MEETINGS

- Native Woodland Partnership
- JAC, Hovingham Village Hall
- Natural Capital workshop, London
   December Core Partners Group
- Design of screening tree belt, Cliff Field House, Dalby
- NYMNPA Farmer Clusters & agrienvironment catch-up x 3
- North Yorkshire Local Geological Sites
   Panel, Wetherby
- Site Visit by HLF Board Members to look at Ryevitalise project area
- Quarterly Annual Action Programme update meeting February
- MMS progress meeting, York
- Yorkshire Derwent Catchment Partnership Delivery Group
- March Core Partners Group
- NYCC Service Planning Workshop, Northallerton
- Visit by Sarah Mukherjee from the Protected Landscapes Review Panel

Heritage Services Team meetings, County Hall

1:1 meetings with Liz Small AONB Team meetings

# NAAONB

- Chairmen's Conference & AGM, London
- Monitoring workstreams such as the Agriculture Bill, Environment Bill and Glover Review of Protected Landscapes and inputting as necessary
- Developing detailed definitions of how to record information for the list of NAAONB/Defra KPIs.

• Lead Officers' meeting, Birmingham

## **MEETINGS (FUTURE)**

- JAC, Terrington
- Countryside Access Service User Group, Northallerton
- NYMNPA Farmer Clusters & agrienvironment catch-ups
- Local Nature Partnership Board, County Hall
- Native Woodland Partnership, Pickering
- North Yorkshire Local Geological Sites
- Panel, County Hall

Heritage Services Team meetings, County Hall

1:1 meetings with Liz Small AONB Team meetings

# NAAONB (FUTURE)

- Northern AONBs Group Strategic meeting, Northumberland Coast AONB
- Northern AONBs Group site visit, Northumberland Coast AONB
- Conference, Colchester

#### MANAGEMENT PLAN

- Preparing the schedule of comments and proposed changes to the Draft Plan
- Reporting comments and suggested changes to the JAC and Core Partners Group
- Making approved changes to the text
- Sending the final text-only version of the new Plan to the Local Authorities for Adoption

- Updating the associated documents and large map
- Uploading the final documents to the AONB website
- Notifying Defra and the constituent Local Authorities

## **MANAGEMENT PLAN (FUTURE)**

- Producing the final formal Management Plan document
- Updating the State of the AONB Report with the 2018/19 work carried out by the JAC

## SITE VISITS

- Taking photos of Tranche 2 Public Rights of Way roadside fingerpost replacements
- Planning application site visits Ampleforth, Crambe, Terrington, Grimstone
- Appleton-le-Street alleged hedgerow removal

## SITE VISITS (FUTURE)

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## CONSULTATIONS

 SEE SEPARATE TABLE FOR FULL DETAILS OF CONSULTATIONS RECEIVED

#### PROJECTS

- Preparation of December Core Partners Group papers
- Interim Defra grant claim January
- Submission of 2019/20 Grant Allocation proposal to Defra
- Organising participants for the Protected Landscapes Review Panel visit
- Updating MMS site management records
- Q3 MMS grant claim and report
- Preparation of March Core Partners Group papers
- Preparation of April JAC papers

## **PROJECTS (FUTURE)**

- Q4 MMS grant claim and report
- Submission of 2018/19 final grant claim to Defra
- Assessing bracken kill-rate on Scheduled
   Monuments
- Developing the programme of bracken control works for July

#### **RECREATION/ACCESS**

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# **RECREATION/ACCESS (FUTURE)**

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#### COMMUNITIES

#### **COMMUNITIES (FUTURE)**

PROMOTION/PUBLICITY/ INTERPRETATION

• Distribution of 2017/18 Annual Report

#### PROMOTION/PUBLICITY/ INTERPRETATION (FUTURE)

- Press release on joint HHAONB/NYCC/NYMNP PRoW Improvement Project
- Preparation & distribution of 2018/19 Annual Report
- Ryedale Show
- Countryfile Live Show, Castle Howard

#### TRAINING

- NAAONB/NE Natural Capital webinars x 3
- NAAONB/NE Natural Capital workshop, Birmingham

#### TRAINING (FUTURE)

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#### **MISCELLANEOUS**

- NYCC Christmas shut-down 24<sup>th</sup> December to 2<sup>nd</sup> January
- Holiday 4<sup>th</sup> 8<sup>th</sup> March

#### MISCELLANEOUS (FUTURE)

Using Carried Forward Annual Leave (5 days) in April & May

# AONB OFFICER'S REPORT (Liz Bassindale)

# 22<sup>nd</sup> November 2018 to 2<sup>nd</sup> April 2019

Work during this period has included:

- Conservation initiatives River Rye Group and Cornfield Flowers 'Into the Community'.
- Ryevitalise HLF Landscape Partnership Scheme contributing towards production of the LCAP text, inserting images and inputting into Project proformas, summaries and budgets for the HLF Landscape Partnership Stage 2 bid. Following submission of the bid my input has included working on the volunteering and promotional elements of the project and inputting into the planning and delivery of the visit by HLF.
- HLF Turtle Doves Project planning and attending the spring 2019 volunteers evening, determining survey method, preparation of maps, gaining survey access permissions and ongoing contribution to the project steering group.
- Arable Flora 'Into the Community' interviewing and appointing a Project Officer with Next Steps and meeting to plan the work over the year ahead.
- Providing Project Fund applicants with application guidance, making grant offers and making grant payments.
- Volunteers planning and delivering winter tasks. Planning spring-summer tasks/ Supplying NYCC Countryside Volunteer Officer and Moorswork with task information and signing-in sheets. Setting up a university work placement for April. Supporting Autism Plus.
- Junior Rangers delivering a successful February Half Term Dark Skies session in partnership with Hidden Horizons. Securing some funding towards this from EAFRD. Planning and preparing Easter and May sessions.
- Communities revising the grant offer for Oswaldkirk Village Hall, helping Crayke to establish a community wildlife project, checking completed wildlife area project at Slingsby School, supporting a grant application from Slingsby towards a churchyard habitats and interpretation project and offering a grant towards a recycling/reuse project pilot at Amotherby School.
- AONB Newsletter responding to resulting enquiries about volunteering and the Farm Flora Facilitation Fund.
- AONB Management Plan Review supporting Paul with thoughts about the edits to The Plan when required.
- Ryedale Show 2019 agreed that Moorswork and Next Steps/Cornfield Flowers Project can have the guest area on our stand.
- Working with Frances to support the elements of the AONB Work Programme that she has been delivering including some of the volunteer tasks and countryside grants.

#### MEETINGS

- Ryevitalise LCAP and Volunteering figures, Helmsley
- First meeting with NYCC Stronger Communities Officer, Helmsley
- Ryedale Development Officers Group, Malton
- Confirming interview questions, Next Steps, Norton
- Formulating a grants package, Village Hall Committee and Community First Yorkshire, Oswaldkirk Village Hall
- Interviewing for Project Officer, Arable Flowers 'Into the Community' Next Steps, Norton
- Cornfield Flowers Project, Steering Group, Terrington
- Ryevitalise and Helmsley Walled Garden, Helmsley

- Turtle Dove Volunteers evening meeting, Malton
- Turtle Doves, Partners Meeting, Helmsley
- Ryevitalise Working Group, Helmsley (x2)
- Discussing possible funding for Project Smart, Renewables/sustainable living project at Amotherby School, Helmsley
- Sarah Mukherjee visit, Protected Landscapes Review Panel, various locations (including input into the planning of the day)
- Heritage Service Team, NYCC, Northallerton (x2)
- Core Partners Group, Helmsley
- Work Programme meeting with PJ and FS (quarterly)

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# NAAONB

- Linking Landscape with University Education, St John's Uni, York
- Delivering More for Nature GIS Webinar
- Promotion of work/events/news in other AONBs when appropriate via Twitter

# **MEETINGS (FUTURE)**

- Turtle Dove Project Steering Group, Pickering
- Dark Skies, Helmsley
- Development Officers, Malton
- Yorkshire Derwent Catchment Partnership, venue tbc
- Joint Advisory Committee, Terrington
- Heritage Service, NYCC, Northallerton
- Action Programme meetings with PJ and FS (quarterly)

# NAAONB (FUTURE)

- Involvement with the National AONBs Arts Project
- Northern AONBs Meeting, Northumberland Coast
- AONB Conference, Essex
- Promotion of work/events/news in other AONBs when appropriate

# SITE VISITS

- Assessing whether Foss Spring Mire requires management work
- Foss Spring Mire with Forestry
   Commission to plan volunteer task
- Foss Spring Mire with Frances to brief on volunteer task
- Habitat creation advice and volunteer opportunities, Autism Plus, Gilling East (x2)
- Autism Plus with Moorswork and NYMNPA Volunteer Officer, planning tasks and discussing joint opportunities, Gilling East (x2)
- Ryevitalise area, HLF site visit planning route, Hovingham to Chop Gate
- Ryevitalise HLF site visit setting up venue in advance and assisting with delivery on the day

# SITE VISITS (FUTURE)

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# CONSULTATIONS

 SEE SEPARATE TABLE FOR FULL DETAILS OF CONSULTATIONS RECEIVED

# PROJECTS

- Turtle Dove Farmers Event, Brompton
- Gaining and mapping access permissions for Turtle Dove Surveys
- Obtaining letters of support for Ryevitalise from St John's University, Ampleforth Abbey and local schools.
- Assessing volunteer team progress at Coulton Moor
- Organising volunteer programme December 2018 to March 2019
- Starting to organise volunteer team programme April to September 2019
- Supporting Frances with delivery of grants
- Advice to Project Fund applicants application process and making grant offers
- Checking completed projects including volunteer tasks, stone walling, school wildlife area and hedge laying.
- SEE SEPARATE TABLE FOR LIST OF
   PROJECTS GRANT AIDED

# **PROJECTS (FUTURE)**

- Preparing Turtle Dove survey packs
- Turtle Dove surveyors pre-survey evening meeting, venue tbc
- Follow-up visits to Turtle Dove seeding sites, Coulton and Ampleforth Plus (Spring 2019)
- Late spring and summer volunteer tasks including churchyard cutting and Himalayan balsam

# **RECREATION/ACCESS**

• Ryedale Cycle Forum, Malton

# **RECREATION/ACCESS (FUTURE)**

 National Park Voluntary Rangers talk, Nunnington

# COMMUNITIES

- Advising on grants and churchyard conservation, Slingsby Church
- Plan and deliver February Dark Skies Junior Rangers day, Terrington
- Meeting to discuss possible Community Wildlife Projects, Crayke and grant application support
- Ryevitalise filming the video segment at Hovingham School
- Advising on possible options for funding school wildlife area, Foston School
- Ryevitalise Education Proforma and Budget, with NYMNPA Education Team Leader, Helmsley
- Grants and restoration advice to Brandsby Village Hall

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- Meeting to establish Community Wildlife Projects (including consultant and school), Crayke
- Assembly at Amotherby School, Environment Week, Amotherby
- Plan and start to prepare Easter Junior Rangers session
- Funding Workshop, Gilling East

# **COMMUNITIES (FUTURE)**

- Plan and deliver May Junior Rangers session
- Deliver Easter Junior Rangers session
- Family wildlife survey event, Slingsby Churchyard

## PROMOTION/PUBLICITY/ INTERPRETATION

- Ryedale Show confirmed that Moorswork and Next Steps will be our guest organisations on the stand for 2019
- Grant offered to Castle Howard for wildlife interpretation
- Meeting to support production of the content of boards, Castle Howard
- Confirmed joint attendance with NYMNPA at Countryside Education Day 2019, Duncombe Park
- Developing grant offer to Birkdale Farm for 'Exploring Nature' in conjunction with NYMNPA Tourism, grant offered Nov 2018
- Initial advice/links to Terrington to assist with planning local heritage interpretation

#### PROMOTION/PUBLICITY/ INTERPRETATION (FUTURE)

- Launch of Doodle a Dove
- Ryedale Show prepare activities for the stand and attend the show

# TRAINING

- Refreshed online Alertcom training before using the device
- Wildlife Crime Training Day, Dalby Forest

# TRAINING (FUTURE)

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# MISCELLANEOUS

- Two weeks leave over the school Christmas holiday including compulsory NYCC Christmas close-down
- Tidy up of the store at Sawmill Lane
- Appraisal completion/comments

- Allerton Park Site Visit, NYCC Heritage Team
- Used up remaining Annual Leave that couldn't be carried forwards
- Heritage Lottery Fund, 2019-2024 launch, York

# **MISCELLANEOUS (FUTURE)**

- University Work Placement 8<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup>
   April and 24<sup>th</sup> April
- Francesca keeping in touch days
- Annual leave 27<sup>th</sup> May to 31<sup>st</sup> May

# AONB OFFICER'S REPORT (Frances Standen)

14 November 2018 – 31 March 2019

Work during this period has included:

- Volunteers planning and delivering winter/spring tasks. Supplying NYCC Countryside Volunteer Officer and Moorswork with task information and signing-in sheets.
- Junior Rangers planning, promotion and delivery of Dark Skies-themed activity day, Feb 2019.
- Providing Project Fund application guidance and land management advice to five landowners. Meadow creation advice given to Autism Plus.
- Supporting Moorswork and volunteers, undertaking pre- and post-work site inspections.
- Collating Management Plan consultation responses.
- Ryedale Show pitch and marquee booking.
- Royal Mail booking for HHAONB newsletter 2019.
- Order processing.
- Collating turtle dove and farmland bird data from surveys.
- Supporting AONB Manager and Officer.
- Letter sent to landowner of Bulmer Beck Mire re pony grazing.
- Checks on pony grazed sites ahead of 2019 grazing schedule and meeting with the Yorkshire Exmoor Pony Trust.

#### MEETINGS

- Action Programme meetings with PJ and LB (quarterly)
- Team updates with PJ and LB
- Susanna Baker re Exmoor pony grazing schedule 2019

#### NAAONB

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# MEETINGS (FUTURE)

- Action Programme meetings with PJ and LB (quarterly)
- Team updates with PJ and LB
- Northern AONB Group meeting, May 2019

# NAAONB (FUTURE)

#### SITE VISITS

- Moorswork and Volunteers sites Foss Spring Mire, Littledale, Coulton Moor, Amotherby Lane.
- Landowners Dutch House Art Gallery/Café at Crayke re hedge planting, Coulton hedge planting/walling, Hall Farm, High Stittenham, High Field House, Scackleton.

# SITE VISITS (FUTURE)

# CONSULTATIONS

# PROJECTS

# PROJECTS (FUTURE)

• Delivering farm visits to landowners within the AONB to provide advice on conservation, environmental schemes, project funding and volunteer tasks.

#### **RECREATION/ACCESS**

• Checking directional fingerposts where they are referred to promoted routes.

# **RECREATION/ACCESS (FUTURE)**

# COMMUNITIES

# COMMUNITIES (FUTURE)

 Delivered February Dark Skies Junior Rangers day, Terrington

# PROMOTION/PUBLICITY/ INTERPRETATION

#### PROMOTION/PUBLICITY/ INTERPRETATION (FUTURE)

• Develop content for Newsletter 2019

# TRAINING

- Mandatory online training for new starters completed.
- Alertcom Lone Working system

## TRAINING (FUTURE)

MISCELLANEOUS

## MISCELLANEOUS (FUTURE)

### **Report to Howardian Hills AONB Committee**

#### 1 October 2018 to 31 March 2019

Completed Asset mapping in Sinnington Ward, which includes Nunnington, South Holme, Oswaldkirk and Stonegrave. Also completed Welburn village.

Attended Ryedale Volunteer Network (VNET) meetings on 9 Oct 2018 & 7 March 2019.

Met with Debbie Lennox (Dementia Forwards Volunteer Co-ordinator). She is looking for more volunteers in the Ryedale area and contacts with groups that will help her achieve this. Suggested she booked the community stall at Hovingham Market; she attended in Feb 2019.

Met with Cheryl Squire, NYCC Health Improvement Manager, who is interested in finding out more about Ryedale - information and useful contacts (29/10/18).

Attended Ryedale Dementia Friendly Group meeting (6/11/18).

Met with Roger Dexter-Smith & Andy Watt of Oswaldkirk VH, along with Hilary Aston (CFY) and Liz Bassindale to offer funding advice for fixtures and fittings in new village hall extension and CIO advice (5/12/18).

Attending Next Steps – Rural Initiative Project meetings.

Helped to input data from the Hovingham Parish Plan questionnaires onto Excel database (Nov/Dec 2018).

Working with Liz on an environmental project with Crayke PC, School & community. A meeting was held with PC on 10/12/19 and with Head of Crayke School, PC & Richard Baines (12/3/19).

Represented CFY on Ryevitalise Steering Group and attended HLF site visit (5 Feb 2019).

Assisted with project to replace village name signs on B1257, by contacting Barton-Le-Street, Slingsby & Appleton-Le-Street Parish Clerks.

Organised & assisted with Ryedale Funding Workshop at Gilling East VH. 30 participants attended including representatives from Hovingham VH, Oswaldkirk VH, Appleton-Le-Street VH & PC & Gilling East VH.

Attended Protected Landscapes Review Panel visit at Hovingham VH (26/3/2019).

Funding advice, general support and signposting given to Sheriff Hutton PC for additional Defibrillator.

Welburn Village Hall – met with two members of committee to prepare a draft survey for circulation to all households in Parish & other hall users.

Continuing to have regular meetings with Liz Bassindale.

Continuing to work with NYCC Stronger Communities to identify HHAONB communities who would qualify and benefit from support & funding.

Having regular meeting with Angela Jones (Communities Team Manager) and Jos Holmes at RDC.

Regularly attend Ryedale Development Officer meetings and RDC Parish Liaison meetings & Ryedale Village Hall Network meetings.

Responding to e-mails/telephone calls from residents/PCs/community groups in AONB as required.

# AONB PROJECTS 2018/2019

## <u>1st April 2018 – 31st March 2019</u>

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
Ryevitalise Partnership	Ryevitalise HLF bid area	Contribution to Project Development phase	-	NE9.1	£56,333 (Year 2)	£1,500
Local Nature Partnership	York, North Yorkshire	Contribution to continuation of Co- ordinator post – 2 yrs		NE9.1	c.£45,000	£3,000
R Laverick	Grimston	Restoration of 25m of roadside wall	Zone 1 Landscape	AG2.2	£1,900	£950 (50%)
Bulmer PC	Bulmer	Tree surgery to avenue of 37 semi-mature trees	Zone 3B Landscape	NE3.4	£1,080	£350
M Wilson	Hovingham	Planting 128m of gaps in hedges + 2 hedgerow trees	Zone 3 Landscape	AG2.2	£657	£401
Hovingham Estate	Hovingham	Planting 10 individual parkland trees	Site 2.54	NE8.2	£5,164	£2,000 (40%)

APPLICANT/ (CONTRACTOR)	LOCATION	PROJECT	LOCAL PRIORITY	OBJECTIVE	SCHEME COST	JAC ASSISTANCE
(AONB Unit – Moorswork + Volunteers)	Husthwaite	Grassland management	-	NE4.2	£390	£240
(AONB Unit – Moorswork, Volunteers, P & A Gospel Landscapes)	Terrington	Widening bridge and removing stiles, to enable access by Exmoor ponies	Site 1.20	NE3.1	£2,058	£708

(AONB Unit – P & A Gospel Landscapes)	Terrington Moor SINC	Fence repairs	Site 1.66	NE3.1	£460	£460
(AONB Unit – P & A Gospel Landscapes)	Cawton Fen SINC & Cawton Bank	Fence repairs	Sites 1.47 & 1.41	NE3.1	£750	£750
(AONB Unit – Yorkshire Exmoor Pony Trust)	Cawton (2), Terrington (2), Coulton (3)	Conservation grazing of 7 SINCs or other important sites	Sites 1.41, 1.47, 1.66, 1.20, 1.59, 1.60, 1.61	NE3.1	£907	£480
Turtle Doves Project	Turtle Doves HLF project area	Contribution to Project	-	NE4.3	£7,100 (Year 2)	£1,000
North East Yorkshire Geology Trust	AONB	Geodiversity Audit	-	NE7.1	£1,450 (Year 2)	£1,450
Adrian Kidd	AONB	Preparing Local Geological Sites citations	-	NE7.1	£600	£600
(AONB Unit – Castle Howard Estate)	Various	Beat-up failed trees and repair tree guards	-	NE8.2	£420	£420
(AONB Unit – 4Nature)	Mugdale & Barker Woods SINC; River Derwent SSSI	Cutting/pulling Himalayan balsam	Site 1.58	NE6.2	£990	£990
(AONB Unit – The Conservation Volunteers)	River Derwent SSSI	Cutting/pulling Himalayan balsam	Site 1.73	NE6.2	£1,600	£1,600
(AONB Unit – village volunteers	River Derwent SSSI	Cutting/pulling Himalayan balsam	Site 1.73	NE6.2	£200	£0
(AONB Unit – Moorswork + Volunteers)	Fairy Dell SINC	Cutting/pulling Himalayan balsam	Site 1.17	NE6.2	£1,830	£480
(AONB Unit – DMD Contracting)	Wath Beck	Cutting/pulling Himalayan balsam	Inc. Sites 1.33 & 1.65	NE6.2	£900	£900
Dutch House Cafe	Crayke	Minibeast hotel	-	NE5.1	£420	£120
(AONB Unit – Don Davies)	Terrington	Erection of 4 barn owl boxes	-	NE4.2	£240	£240

(AONB Unit – Moorswork + Volunteers)	Appleton-le- Street Churchyard SINC	Grassland management	-	NE3.1	£440	£120
Amotherby Churchyard Conservation Group	Amotherby Churchyard	Habitat management	-	NE5.1	£440	£120
(AONB Unit – Moorswork + Volunteers)	Coulton Moor	Rhododendron control	Zone 1 landscape	NE3.3, NE6.2	£1,410	£360
(AONB Unit – Moorswork + Volunteers)	Terrington Moor SINC	Rush cutting	Site 1.66	NE3.1	£940	£240
(AONB Unit – Moorswork + Volunteers)	Peel Wood & Grasslands SINC	Burning gorse cut down last season	Site 1.11	NE3.1	£1,610	£360
(AONB Unit – Moorswork & Volunteers)	Littledale SINC	Scrub clearance and burning	Site 1.20	NE3.1	£470	£120
(AONB Unit – Moorswork & Volunteers)	Foss Spring Mire (Yearsley Woodlands SINC)	Tree clearance	Site 1.5	NE3.1	£470	£120
(AONB Unit – J R Clifford & Sons)	Various	Management of 45 Special Interest Road Verges	-	NE3.1	£1,848	£1,848
(AONB Unit – Moorswork)	Amotherby Lane SINC	Grassland/scrub management	Site 1.38	NE3.1	£120	£120
Eaton & Hugill	River Rye SINC, Sproxton	Coppicing bankside alder trees	Site 1.16	NE8.2	£850	£600

# **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	£224	£224

(AONB Unit – P & A Gospel Landscapes)	Mileposts	Regular maintenance	Site 2.63	HE2.5, RT4.5	£168	£168
(AONB Unit – Cleveland Corrosion Control)	Slingsby	Fabrication of 3 modern replica village name signs	-	HE2.5, LC1.4	£3,300	£3,300
(AONB Unit – Cleveland Corrosion Control)	Barton-le-Street	Fabrication of 2 modern replica village name signs; restoration of 1 traditional sign	-	HE2.5, LC1.4	c.£3,500	c.£3,500
(AONB Unit – Cleveland Corrosion Control)	Appleton-le- Street	Fabrication of 2 modern replica village name       -       HE2.5, LC1.4       £2,500         signs       -       -       -       -       -		£2,500	£2,500	
MONUMENT MANAG	GEMENT SCHEME					
Historic England fun	ided					
AONB funded						
(AONB Unit – Moorswork)	Hovingham	Strimming & re-seeding on 1 Scheduled Monument	Site 2.35	HE2.3	£120	£120
(AONB Unit – Nick Milner Forestry)	Coneysthorpe, Gaterley	Strimming bracken on 3 Scheduled Monuments	Sites 2.40, 2.69	HE2.3	£320	£320
(AONB Unit – 4Nature)	Various	Strimming bracken on 4 Scheduled Monuments	Sites 2.3, 2.4, 2.12	HE2.3	£412	£412
(AONB Unit – Nick Milner Forestry)	Coneysthorpe, Gaterley	Spraying/strimming bracken on 4 Scheduled Monuments	Sites 2.34, 2.40, 2.69	HE2.3	£620	£620
(AONB Unit – 4Nature)	Various	Spraying/strimming bracken on 18 Scheduled Monuments	Sites 2.3, 2.11, 2.12, 2.20, 2.24, 2.36, 2.37, 2.39, 2.68	HE2.3	£503	£503
(AONB Unit – Forestry Commission)	Grimston	Spraying bracken on 1 Scheduled Monument	Site 2.4	HE2.3	£50	£0

(AONB Unit – 4Nature)	Various	Stump regrowth control & bramble strimming on 10 Scheduled Monuments	Sites 2.3, 2.4, 2.11, 2.12, 2.24, 2.39, 2.68, 2.82	HE2.3	£247	£247
(AONB Unit – Nick Milner Forestry)	Coneysthorpe	Stump regrowth control on 2 Scheduled Monuments	Site 2.40	HE2.3	c.£160	c.£160

# AONB Enhancement – Sustainable Development & Rural Economy

APPLICANT	LOCATION	PROJECT	LOCAL PRIORITY	OBJECTIVE	SCHEME COST	JAC ASSISTANCE
Rural Action Yorkshire	AONB	Sustainable Rural Communities project, working with communities on community planning	-	LC1.2, LC1.3	£18,019	£5,000
Castle Howard Estate Ltd	Castle Howard	Installation of 2 information boards	-	AP2.1	£4,276	£2,000
F & J Standen	Terrington	Farm wildlife interpretation resources	-	AG2.2, RA2.1	£1,574	£757
Autism Plus	Gilling East	Volunteers assistance with creating wildlife areas	/olunteers assistance with creating wildlife - NE8.2, LC2.1, £810		£810	£260
Project Smart	Amotherby School	Construction of bike shelter from recycled materials and delivery of sustainability sessions	-	LC1.4	£5,005	£3,500
Hovingham Action Group	Hovingham	Sustainable Community survey	-	LC1.4	£4,950	£600
Hovingham Village Hall	Hovingham	Defibrillator	-	LC1.3	£1,449	£725 (50%)
Hovingham Village Hall	Hovingham	Roof repairs	-	LC1.3	£10,106	£2,000
Slingsby School	Slingsby	Wildlife area (phase 2)	-	NE5.1	£2,232	£1,232
Barton-le-Street PCC	Barton-le- Street Church	Information Board	-	AP2.3	£952	£650
Crayke PC	Crayke	Community wildlife project	-	LC2.1	£750	£750
North Yorkshire Police	Helmsley Rural Watch area	Thermal imaging binoculars	-	LC1.4	£2,068	£2,000
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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	£616	£616
(AONB Unit – P Gospel)	Kirkham	Spraying grass in Priory car park	Site 3.15	RA4.1	£140	£140
(AONB Unit/NYCC Countryside Access Service)	Crambe, Gilling, Hovingham, Bulmer	PRoW Improvement Project – bridge replacement, steps repair, boardwalk replacement, hand rail installation, kissing gates installation, etc. (delivered by NYMNPA Modern Apprentices Team)	-	RA3.1	c.£8,375	£3,000
(AONB Unit/NYCC Countryside Access Service)	AONB	PRoW Improvement Project – 18 replacement roadside fingerposts (installation)	-	RA3.1	£1,245	£0
<u>Promotion/Rural</u> <u>Economy</u>						
Volunteering						
(AONB Volunteers)	Misc	Volunteer input – shows, Junior Ranger Club, etc	Various	Various	£1,400	-
(Yorkshire Wildlife Trust Tomorrow's Natural Leaders	Misc	Junior Ranger Club	-	AP2.3	£1,250	-

# Young People's activities

APPLICANT	LOCATION	PROJECT	LOCAL PRIORITY	OBJECTIVE	SCHEME COST	JAC ASSISTANCE
(AONB Unit)	Arboretum, Terrington Village Hall	Junior Ranger Club x 4	-	AP2.3	£1,169	£259
Amy-Jane Beer	14 x Primary Schools	Lost Words books	-	AP2.3	£182	£182

# AONB CONSULTATIONS (SPECIFIC DEVELOPMENT PROPOSALS) 2018/2019

<u>1st April 2018 – 31st March 2019</u>

CONSULTING ORGANISATION	LOCATION	PROJECT	SITE VISIT	COMMENTS	DECISION
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	Crambe	Agricultural Prior Notification (Erection of agricultural building)	No	Object (siting unacceptable; colour of roof sheets)	Prior Approval required (siting, impact on setting of Listed Building)
Ryedale District Council	Scackleton	Planning Application (Erection of extension)	No	None	-
Ryedale District Council	Whitwell	Planning Application (Re-building of barn and erection of link extension)	Yes	Concerns (ground floor window openings)	Granted (not amended)
Ryedale District Council	Howsham	Planning Application (Installation of above- ground oil storage tank)	No	None	-
Ryedale District Council	Helmsley	Planning Application (Alterations & erection of conservatory)	No	None	-
Hambleton District Council	Skewsby	Planning application (Raising of roof height on extension)	No	None	-

CONSULTING ORGANISATION	LOCATION	PROJECT	SITE VISIT	COMMENTS	DECISION
Ryedale District Council	High Stittenham	Planning application (Erection of extensions - revised)	(Previously)	Object (excessive size and scale, impact on non-designated heritage asset)	Granted (not amended further)
Ryedale District Council	Swinton	Agricultural Prior Notification (Erection of agricultural building)	No	Object (siting unacceptable; colour of roof sheets)	Prior Approval required (siting, impact on AONB landscape)
Forestry Commission	Terrington	Woodland planting proposals (0.5ha, 75% native broadleaves)	No	None	-
Hambleton District Council	Crayke	Agricultural Prior Notification (Erection of agricultural building)	No	None	-
Ryedale District Council	Terrington	Planning Application (Erection of extensions)	No	None	-
Ryedale District Council	Terrington	Planning Application (Erection of extension - revised)	(Previously)	None	Granted (ridge height lowered)
Ryedale District Council	Nunnington	Planning Application (Change of Use of Pub to dwelling)	No	To be scrutinised against Local Plan policies	Refused
Ryedale District Council	Terrington	Planning Application (Conversion of barn to dwelling – revised)	(Previously)	Support – more sympathetic design	Granted
Ryedale District Council	Malton	Planning Application (Erection of industrial units)	No	Colour of roof to be dark grey	Granted (Condition attached)
Ryedale District Council	Firby	Planning Application (Erection of entrance gates - revised)	No	None	-
Ryedale District Council	Bulmer	Planning Application (Erection of sheds; installation of log burner flue)	No	Flue to be anodised black	See below
Ryedale District Council	Grimston	Planning Application (Erection of extensions)	No	None	-
Ryedale District Council	Hovingham	Telecommunications Notification (Erection of 12m Smart Meter pole)	No	Object (impact on AONB and setting of Conservation Area)	Refused

CONSULTING ORGANISATION	LOCATION	PROJECT	SITE VISIT	COMMENTS	DECISION
Ryedale District Council	Nunnington	Planning Application (Erection of linking canopy)	No	None	-
Hambleton District Council	Brandsby	Planning application (Conversion of farm building to dwelling)	No	None	-
North York Moors National Park Authority	Oswaldkirk	Planning application (Erection of extensions - revised)	No	None	-
Hambleton District Council	Crayke	Planning application (Erection of extensions & garage)	No	Concerns (siting & design of garage)	Granted (no changes)
Hambleton District Council	Yearsley	Planning application (Upgrading of forestry track)	No	None	-
Ryedale District Council	Crambe	Agricultural Prior Approval (Erection of agricultural building – not revised)	No	Object (siting unacceptable; colour of roof sheets)	Amended (see below)
Ryedale District Council	Grimston	Planning application (Erection of replacement dwelling – re-revised)	No	None	-
Ryedale District Council	Swinton	Planning application (Construction of manege)	No	No lighting to be installed	Granted (Condition attached)
Morrisons Utility Services	Coneysthorpe	Pre-development enquiry (Replacement of 10" water main)	No	None	-
Ryedale District Council	Bulmer	Planning Application (Erection of sheds; installation of log burner flue - revised)	No	Flue to be anodised black	Granted (Condition attached)
Ryedale District Council	Musley Bank	Planning Application (Erection of NPPF para 55 house - revised)	Previously	Object	Granted (Contrary to Officer Recommend -ation)
Ryedale District Council	Castle Howard	Planning application (Erection of workshop, machinery store, glasshouse & polytunnel)	No	Roof sheets to be dark green	See below
Ryedale District Council	Welburn	Planning application (Change of workshop to residential annex)	No	Not to be split from main property	Granted (Condition attached)

CONSULTING ORGANISATION	LOCATION	PROJECT	SITE VISIT	COMMENTS	DECISION
Ryedale District Council	Ampleforth	Telecommunications Notification (Erection of 12m Smart Meter pole)	No	Significant concerns (impact on AONB and setting of Conservation Area)	Amended (see below)
Hambleton District Council	Oulston	Planning application (Erection of extensions & replacement garage)	No	None	-
North Yorkshire County Council	Ampleforth	Planning application (Erection of canopy at school)	No	None	-
Hambleton District Council	Crayke	Planning application (Erection of agricultural building)	No	Roof sheets to be dark grey; landscaping	Granted (Plans amended)
Hambleton District Council	Crayke	Planning application (Erection of replacement conservatory)	No	Support (significant improvement from existing structure)	Refused
Hambleton District Council	Brandsby	Planning application (Formation of doorway from window at Church)	No	None	-
Ryedale District Council	Ampleforth	Telecommunications Notification (Erection of 12m Smart Meter pole – amended to 10m)	Yes	Significant concerns (impact on AONB and setting of Conservation Area)	Granted (Condition on colour of materials)
Ryedale District Council	Terrington	Planning Application (Erection of extension)	No	None	-
Ryedale District Council	Gaterley	Planning Application (Erection of extensions)	No	None	-
Ryedale District Council	Swinton	Planning Application (Erection of agricultural storage building)	No	Roof sheets to be dark grey	Granted (Condition on colour of materials)
Hambleton District Council	Bagby	Planning application (Redevelopment of airfield buildings)	No	None	-
Hambleton District Council	Thornton-on-the-Hill	Planning application (Construction of 3 eco- pods)	Yes	Conditions needed re landscaping and amenity areas	Granted (Condition on landscaping)
Ryedale District Council	Hovingham	Telecommunications Notification (Erection of 8m Smart Meter pole – revised)	No	Object (impact on AONB and setting of Conservation Area)	Granted

CONSULTING ORGANISATION	LOCATION	PROJECT	SITE VISIT	COMMENTS	DECISION
Ryedale District Council	Gilling	Planning Application (Construction of manege)	Yes (in passing)	Landscaping needed; no floodlighting or Third Party use	Granted (Conditions on landscaping and floodlighting)
North Yorkshire County Council	Crayke	Planning application (Erection of replacement sewage treatment works)	No	None	-
Ryedale District Council	Swinton	Planning Application (Erection of agricultural building)	Yes (in passing)	Roof sheets to be dark grey	Approved (plans amended)
Ryedale District Council	Castle Howard	Planning application (Erection of workshop, machinery store, glasshouse & polytunnel - revised)	No	None	-
Ryedale District Council	Howsham	Agricultural Prior Notification (Erection of agricultural building)	No	Roof sheets to be dark grey	Prior Approval required (impact on AONB landscape & Conservation Area)
Ryedale District Council	Howsham	Planning Application (Dual Use of Howsham Hall as residential and wedding/events venue)	No	Object (impact on tranquillity due to proposed frequency of events)	Granted (Conditions attached)
Ryedale District Council	Malton	Planning Application (Erection of industrial units)	No	Colour of roof to be dark grey	Granted (Condition attached)
Hambleton District Council	Crayke	Planning application (Demolition of garage and erection of dwelling)	No	Object (over- development of site outside Development Limits; impact on Conservation Area)	Amended (see below)
Hambleton District Council	Husthwaite	Agricultural Prior Notification (Erection of extension to agricultural building)	No	Roof sheets to be dark grey	Full Planning Application required

CONSULTING ORGANISATION	LOCATION	PROJECT	SITE VISIT	COMMENTS	DECISION
Ryedale District Council	Castle Howard	Planning application (Extension of time limit for retention of temporary office building)	No	None	-
Ryedale District Council	Slingsby	Planning application (Erection of 38 houses)	Yes (in passing)	Minor, re materials and landscaping	Amended, see below
Ryedale District Council	Amotherby	Planning application (Conversion of garage to separate dwelling)	Yes (in passing)	Concerns (outside Development Limit; over-development of site; impact on AONB)	Refused
Hambleton District Council	Skewsby	Planning application (Erection of extensions)	No	Object (excessive scale and mass of proposed porch)	Granted (revised design)
Ryedale District Council	Hovingham	Planning application (Conversion of studio and erection of 2 dwellings)	No	None	-
Hambleton District Council	Brandsby	Planning application (Erection of a car port)	No	None	-
Ryedale District Council	Stittenham	Agricultural Prior Notification (Formation of farm track)	No	None	-
Forestry Commission	Coneysthorpe	Woodland management proposals (felling 0.9ha BL PAWS, replanting oak/sycamore /sweet chestnut)	No	None	-
Ryedale District Council	Crambe	Agricultural Prior Approval (Erection of agricultural building – revised)	No	Roof to be dark grey; timber boarding to be creosoted	Granted (Conditions attached)
Hambleton District Council	Crayke	Planning application (Demolition of garage and erection of dwelling - revised)	No	None	Refused
Ryedale District Council	Low Hutton	Planning application (Erection of orangery)	No	None	-
Ryedale District Council	Coulton	Planning application (Erection of agricultural building)	Yes	None	-
Ryedale District Council	Stittenham	Planning application (Erection of agricultural building)	No	Roof sheets to be dark grey	Granted (Condition attached)
Ryedale District Council	Low Hutton	Planning application (Erection of extensions)	Yes	Object (excessive scale and use of glass walls)	Amended, see below

CONSULTING ORGANISATION	LOCATION	PROJECT	SITE VISIT	COMMENTS	DECISION
Ryedale District Council	Amotherby	Planning application (Erection of extension)	(In passing)	None	-
Ryedale District Council	Terrington	Planning application (Erection of orangery and extensions)	No	None	-
Ryedale District Council	Oswaldkirk	Planning application (Erection of greenhouse)	No	None	-
Hambleton District Council	Crayke	Planning application (Erection of roof over muck store)	No	Significant concerns (length of building) Roof sheets to be dark grey	Granted
North York Moors National Park Authority	Oswaldkirk	Planning application (Erection of extensions – revised (glass balcony))	No	None	-
Ryedale District Council	Low Hutton	Planning application (Change of use of chapel to residential)	Yes	None	(Withdrawn)
North York Moors National Park Authority	Oswaldkirk	Planning application (Erection of solar panels)	(In passing)	Concern (visual impact when viewed from the AONB)	Granted
Ryedale District Council	Slingsby	Planning application (Erection of 38 houses - revised)	Previously	Concerns (impact of garden areas on tree avenue in Conservation Area)	Amended, see below
Hambleton District Council	Skewsby	Planning application (Erection of extensions)	No	None	-
Hambleton District Council	Brandsby	Planning application (Change of use of coach house to non-commercial let accommodation)	No	None	(Withdrawn)
Hambleton District Council	Crayke	Planning application (Erection of replacement conservatory - revised)	No	Needs to complement colour scheme of adjacent buildings	Granted
Hambleton District Council	Stearsby	Planning application (Erection of extensions)	No	None	-
Ryedale District Council	Ampleforth	Planning application (Repairs to Monk's Bridge)	No	None	-
Ryedale District Council	Malton	Planning Application (Erection of industrial units)	No	Colour of roof to be dark grey	Granted (Condition attached)
Hambleton District Council	Brandsby	Planning application (Erection of link extension and pavilion)	Yes	None	Withdrawn

CONSULTING ORGANISATION	LOCATION	PROJECT	SITE VISIT	COMMENTS	DECISION
Ryedale District Council	Stonegrave	Planning Application (Erection of new dwelling and garage)	(In passing)	Concerns (proposed height)	Amended, see below
Ryedale District Council	Ampleforth	Planning application (Erection of extensions and pergola)	(in passing)	None	-
Hambleton District Council	Skewsby	Planning application (Conversion of outbuildings to residential accommodation)	No	Minor – colour of woodwork	Granted
Ryedale District Council	Hovingham	Planning application (Erection of two dwellings)	(in passing)	Concerns for viability of pub	Refused
Hambleton District Council	Crayke	Agricultural Prior Notification (Erection of agricultural building – 1,000m <sup>2</sup> )	No	Object – open countryside location	Refused
Ryedale District Council	Scackleton	Planning Appeal (Enforcement Action to remove caravan, dog kennels, etc)	Yes	Object – not principally an agricultural operation	Dismissed
Ryedale District Council	Ampleforth	Planning application (Erection of 7 bedroom Para 79 dwelling)	Previously	Concerns	?
Ryedale District Council	Bulmer	Planning application (Erection of 2 storey extensions)	No	None	-
Ryedale District Council	Yorkshire Arboretum	Planning application (Erection of extension for classroom)	No	None	-
Ryedale District Council	Swinton	Planning application (Erection of stable blocks at equine vets)	No	None	-
Ryedale District Council	Gilling	Planning application (Erection of garage with accommodation over)	(In passing)	Condition needed to prevent sale separately	Granted (Condition attached)
Ryedale District Council	Low Hutton	Planning application (Erection of extensions revised)	Previously	None	Granted
Ryedale District Council	Malton	Planning Application (Erection of industrial units)	No	Colour of roofs to be dark grey	Granted (Condition attached)
Ryedale District Council	Grimston	Planning application (Erection of storage and livestock building)	Yes	None	-
Ryedale District Council	Stonegrave	Planning Application (Erection of extensions – re-revised)	Previously	None	(Granted)
Ryedale District Council	Slingsby	Planning application (Erection of 38 houses – re-revised)	Previously	None	?

CONSULTING ORGANISATION	LOCATION	PROJECT	SITE VISIT	COMMENTS	DECISION
Ryedale District Council	Terrington	Planning application (Erection of 5 bedroom house)	Yes	None	-
Ryedale District Council	Crambeck	Planning application (Erection of extensions)	(In passing)	None	-
Hambleton District Council	Husthwaite	Planning application (Erection of 20 houses – revised)	No	None	-
Hambleton District Council	Brandsby	Planning application (Alterations to Hall and coach house)	No	None	-
Ryedale District Council	Oswaldkirk	Planning application (Erection of 78 panel solar array)	Yes	Concerns (impact on setting of Listed Buildings, Conservation Area and rig and furrow landscape	?
Ryedale District Council	Coulton	Planning application (Conversion of barn to dwelling – revised)	Previously	Log burner flue to be black	Granted (plans amended)
Ryedale District Council	Stonegrave	Planning Application (Erection of new dwelling and garage – revised)	(In passing)	Windows & frames to be white not brown	Granted (Condition attached)
North Yorkshire County Council	Crayke	Discharge of Condition (Erection of replacement sewage treatment works)	No	Grassed areas to use a wildflower not a lawn mix	?
Hambleton District Council	Oulston	Planning application (Erection of extension)	No	None	-
North York Moors National Park Authority	Oswaldkirk	Planning application (Erection of extensions – re-revised)	No	None	-
Ryedale District Council	Grimston	Agricultural Prior Notification (Erection of replacement farm building)	No	None	-
Forestry Commission England	Yearsley	Woodland management proposals	No	Minor	-
Hambleton District Council	Crayke	Planning application (Change of use to Equestrian and retention of barn & stables)	Previously	Unacceptable intensification of use, no Business Plan, no off-road riding opportunities	?

CONSULTING ORGANISATION	LOCATION	PROJECT	SITE VISIT	COMMENTS	DECISION
Ryedale District Council	Grimston	Planning Application (Extension to outbuilding to form office)	No	Replace chimney stack with black anodised flue	Granted (No changes)
Hambleton District Council	Crayke	Planning application (Erection of 2-storey extension)	No	None	-
Ryedale District Council	Hovingham	Conservation Area Trees Application (Limes, Hall Green)	(Previously)	None	-
Hambleton District Council	Thornton-on-the-Hill	Discharge of Conditions (Erection of 3 camping pods)	Previously	Insufficient details submitted	Granted (No changes)
Ryedale District Council	Castle Howard	Planning Application (Extension of adventure playground)	No	None	-
Hambleton District Council	Husthwaite	Planning application (Erection of 20 houses – re-revised)	No	None	-
Ryedale District Council	High Gaterley	Planning Application (Insertion of new windows and doors)	No	Object (full gable-end glazing, full-height window; door-size windows)	?
Ryedale District Council	Ampleforth	Planning Application (Erection of replacement conservatory)	No	None	-
Ryedale District Council	Oswaldkirk	Planning Application (Sub-division of house into two dwellings)	Previously	None	-
Ryedale District Council	Ampleforth	Planning Application (Extension of car park)	No	Concerns (more screening planting needed)	?
Ryedale District Council	Nunnington	Planning Application (Erection of 2 storey extension)	No	None	-
Hambleton District Council	Brandsby	Planning application (Alterations to Hall and coach house - revised)	No	None	-
Ryedale District Council	Sproxton	Planning Application (Extension of extension)	No	None	-
Hambleton District Council	Crayke	Planning application (Erection of extension)	No	None	-
Hambleton District Council	Crayke	Planning application (Installation of boiler flue)	No	None	-

CONSULTING ORGANISATION	LOCATION	PROJECT	SITE VISIT	COMMENTS	DECISION
Hambleton District Council	Husthwaite	Planning application (Erection of 20 houses – re-re-revised)	No	None	-
Hambleton District Council	Crayke	Planning application (Installation of GRP equipment cabinet)	No	Cabinet to be dark green	?
Ryedale District Council	Nunnington	Planning Application (Erection of extension and porch)	No	None	-

# AONB CONSULTATIONS & NOTIFICATIONS (STRATEGIES, ETC) 2018/2019

# <u>1st April 2018 – 31st March 2019</u>

ORGANISATION	AREA	DOCUMENT	COMMENTS	OUTCOME
North Yorkshire County Council	North Yorkshire	Minerals & Waste Joint Plan Public Inquiry – call for further evidence on Hydrocarbons policies	Support retention of interpretation that lateral drilling under AONBs & National Park is Major Development	"may be considered as Major Development"
Post Office	Hovingham & Welburn villages	Introduction of a new Mobile Post Office service	Strongly support	?
Defra	England	Health & Harmony – The Future of Farming, Food & the Environment in a Green Brexit	Substantial comments re continued support for farming activity and rural communities	Principles largely incorporated into new Agriculture Policy statement
DHCLG	England	Revisions to the NPPF	Forwarded NAAONB response	Some beneficial amendments made to AONB sections; Local Sites retained
North York Moors National Park Authority	National Park	Local Plan	None	-
Protected Landscape Review Panel	England	Call for Evidence	From NAAONB response	?
Defra	England	Consultation on Protecting and Enhancing England's Trees and Woodlands	Support improvements in protection regime for trees and woodlands	?
Ryedale District Council	Ryedale	Local Plan Site Document – Main Modifications	None	-

From:	dm@ryedale.gov.uk
Sent:	12 October 2018 16:32
То:	Paul Jackson
Subject:	Consultee Comments for Planning Application 18/00951/HOUSE

Mr Paul Jackson,

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Comments were submitted at 4:32 PM on 12 Oct 2018 from Mr Paul Jackson (paul.jackson@northyorks.gov.uk) on behalf of Paul Jackson AONB Manager.

# **Application Summary**

Reference:	18/00951/HOUSE
Address:	3 Station Cottages Water Lane Low Hutton Malton North Yorkshire YO60 7HQ
Proposal:	Erection of a two storey side extension, and single storey rear extension together with installtation of replacement window to rear elevation following demolition of existing attached outbuilding and part of the existing dwelling to the side elevation.

Case Officer: Niamh Bonner

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#### **Comments Details**

I have the following comments to make in relation to this application: 1) Although the property is not visible from nearby Public Footpaths, the Station Cottages as a whole are significantly visible from the York-Scarborough railway, particularly for passengers travelling westwards. Potential adverse visual impact on the AONB landscape therefore needs to be considered from this perspective. 2) Station Cottages are a row of vernacular buildings which appear to consist of several

**Comments:** separate rows of cottages with uniform ridge heights within each set, punctuated by a larger two storey dwelling. Any change to roof lines therefore needs to respect the prevailing design principles of the row as a whole.

3) The approved plans from 2005 conform to the design of uniform ridgelines within each 'sub-terrace', with the height of the proposed extension matching that of the host dwelling. The design now proposed does not I feel conform to the design principles however, as it has an extension

> <sup>1</sup> 38

that is taller than the host building. This breaks the smooth stepped lines of the subterraces and I don't consider it to be acceptable.

4) Likewise, the 2005 plans used a 1.5 storey link, with standard-size door and window openings, to connect the host building to the extension. The plans now submitted propose a two storey link with full-height glazed walls on both the east and west elevations. I consider this to be an excessive and inappropriate feature in a row of vernacular former railway workers cottages.

5) In conclusion, whilst I was happy with the alterations approved in 2005, I feel that the plans now submitted are unacceptable in that the extension would be higher than the host dwelling and the glazed walls of the link would be an incongruous feature in both front and rear elevations of an otherwise very traditional row of vernacular cottages. I feel that this new proposal would have an adverse visual impact on the AONB landscape and that it is significant enough to warrant an OBJECTION in order to seek a design that is more appropriate for this highly visible vernacular property. Paul Jackson

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То:	Paul Jackson
Subject:	Consultee Comments for Planning Application 18/00951/HOUSE

Mr Paul Jackson,

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Comments were submitted at 4:01 PM on 19 Dec 2018 from Mr Paul Jackson (paul.jackson@northyorks.gov.uk) on behalf of Paul Jackson AONB Manager.

# **Application Summary**

Reference: 18/00951/HOUSE

Address: 3 Station Cottages Water Lane Low Hutton Malton North Yorkshire YO60 7HQ

> Erection of a two storey side extension, and single storey rear extension together with installtation of replacement

**Proposal:** window to rear elevation following demolition of existing attached outbuilding and part of the existing dwelling to the side elevation.

Case Officer: Niamh Bonner

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#### **Comments Details**

I have the following observations to make on the revised proposals:

1) The reduction in both the height and width of the proposed extension is a significant improvement and will mean that the extension would integrate much more comfortably with the existing dwelling.

2) Although the double-height windows are still retained, the reduction in height of the extension has reduced their perceived visual impact and I feel that they now sit more cohesively within the design.

conesively within the design.
3) I'm therefore able to withdraw my previous Objection, as I feel that the design is much more sympathetic and balanced than the one proposed initially, and indeed (save for the double-height glazing) is very similar to the previously Approved scheme.

Paul Jackson

From:	Paul Jackson
Sent:	23 October 2018 11:26
То:	'GEN - Planning Emails'
Subject:	18/01691/FUL: Construction of portal framed building as cover for muck store;
	Woodfield Farm, Crayke

I have the following comments to make in relation to this application:

- 1. The application form indicates "Anthracite/Natural Grey" as the colour for the roof sheets. If approved this should be specified as Anthracite Grey, approximating to BS4800 10A11 Charcoal Grey.
- 2. Whilst the principle of preventing rainwater accessing the muck heap and creating large amounts of dirty water is to be supported, I have considerable concerns relating to the length of the proposed building. Given that the muck store will now be much drier, and muck should therefore be able to be piled higher than it is currently, I would have hoped that simultaneous investment in the retaining walls would allow greater capacity to be generated within a smaller footprint and possibly at a cheaper cost.
- 3. Although the farmstead is generally only seen in longer distance views over the AONB landscape, a roof expanse of 80m in length takes this building beyond the scale of what is normal for livestock buildings and may therefore be more visually intrusive than a conventional sized building would be.

Paul Jackson Howardian Hills AONB Manager The Old Vicarage Bondgate Helmsley York YO62 5BP



From:	dm@ryedale.gov.uk
Sent:	30 October 2018 16:02
То:	Paul Jackson
Subject:	Consultee Comments for Planning Application 18/00686/MOUT

Mr Paul Jackson,

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Comments were submitted at 4:01 PM on 30 Oct 2018 from Mr Paul Jackson (paul.jackson@northyorks.gov.uk) on behalf of Paul Jackson AONB Manager.

# **Application Summary**

Reference:	18/00686/MOUT
Address:	Land East Of The Balk Slingsby Malton North Yorkshire
Proposal:	Residential development of up to 38no. dwellings with formation of access off Aspen Way (site area 1.75ha) - approval sought for access
Case Officer:	Alan Goforth

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#### **Comments Details**

I have the following comments to make on this proposal: 1) The changes from the original plans are presumably fairly subtle, as I wasn't able to detect anything significant in relation to concerns raised by other consultees during the initial consultation. 2) I therefore re-iterate my point that the southern boundary hedge, which provides substantial screening of the site and is important in the context of the setting of the AONB, appears to be being replaced with a closeboarded timber fence. A new fence inside the existing hedge would be acceptable, but the existing hedgerow must remain. 3) I would also support the views of the Council's Building Conservation Officer in relation to The Avenue on the Comments: western edge of the development site. This was an aspect

of the plans that I missed first time round, but the southern section of The Avenue is an important feature in relation to the setting of the AONB. The treatment of this will be critical, and in particular ensuring that its integrity is not lost in the suburban clutter of domestic paraphernalia, and in particular the proposed closeboarded fence very close to the trunks of the mature trees. If a demarcation boundary is really required then this should be a natural feature such as a hedge, but more preferable would be an open-plan garden layout with appropriate restrictions to ensure that this remained so. This would then mirror to some extent the substantial set-back of the houses of The Balk on the western side of

From:	Paul Jackson
Sent:	30 October 2018 16:23
То:	'planning@northyorkmoors.org.uk'
Subject:	NYM/2018/0570/FL: Installation of 12 ground-mounted solar panels, Crag Cottage,
	Oswaldkirk

I have the following comments to make in relation to this proposal:

- 1) Although the application is an imaginative use of a very steeply sloping site, and the AONB Management Plan supports the installation of renewable energy generation facilities where appropriate, I have some concerns about this proposal and its potential impact on the setting of the AONB.
- 2) Although primarily within the National Park, the steeply wooded scarp face that runs between Oswaldkirk and Ampleforth provides a very sharply defined visual boundary to the Howardian Hills. In general terms, development sits at the foot of the slope and doesn't therefore impinge upon the wooded character of the scarp face. Significant domestic development within the garden areas rising up the scarp face is therefore generally to be resisted, due to potential adverse impacts on the protected landscapes.
- 3) I am keen to support this scheme if possible, but would ask that the view from the south, and in particular from the B1363 both approaching and within the village, is assessed carefully to ensure that the proposal does not have a detrimental visual impact on the setting of the AONB.

Paul Jackson Howardian Hills AONB Manager The Old Vicarage Bondgate Helmsley York YO62 5BP



From:	Paul Jackson
Sent:	05 November 2018 15:46
То:	'GEN - Planning Emails'
Subject:	18/02110/FUL: Replacement conservatory, Whistling Green, Crayke

I have the following comments to make on this application:

- Although I still support the principle of the replacement conservatory, on the basis that it would replace a structure that is very incongruous on the road frontage of Crayke, I agree with the original reason for Refusal, and the Parish Council's continued objection on the grounds of non-compatible materials. This was a point that I'd missed in the previous application.
- 2) It doesn't appear that this second application has taken on board the points made in the Decision Notice, in relation to materials. Although the replacement of the existing conservatory would be welcomed, its replacement must align with the colour palette of the Conservation Area in this location.

Paul Jackson Howardian Hills AONB Manager The Old Vicarage Bondgate Helmsley York YO62 5BP



From:	Paul Jackson
Sent:	14 November 2018 16:25
То:	'dm@ryedale.gov.uk'
Subject:	18/01107/FUL: Erection of 9 business starter units, Malton Road Industrial Estate

I have the following comments to make in relation to this application:

1. The roof colour should be of a similar grey colour to that proposed for the walls, i.e. Grey Aluminium RAL 9007.

Paul Jackson Howardian Hills AONB Manager The Old Vicarage Bondgate Helmsley York YO62 5BP



From:	Paul Jackson
Sent:	19 November 2018 17:24
То:	'GEN - Planning Emails'
Subject:	18/01818/FUL: Proposed link extension and pavilion, Brandsby Hall

I have the following observations to make on this proposal:

- Due to the rolling nature of the landscape in the vicinity, the distribution of adjacent public viewpoints (roads and Public Rights of Way) and the tree cover around Brandsby Hall, I don't feel that the proposed extension will be visible in the wider landscape.
- 2. The proposed design is undeniably modernistic and bears little relationship to the historic structure of Brandsby Hall. In that sense however it would very clearly be a modern addition, rather than an attempt to copy the style of what's already there. Given the very regular square design of Brandsby Hall, together with its ancillary buildings, it would clearly be difficult to create an 'extension' in the same style that wouldn't compromise the very strong form of the existing Listed Building. The suitability or otherwise of the design should be assessed by the LPA's Building Conservation Officer, in consultation with Historic England as appropriate.
- 3. Parking provision seems to be dealt with in a somewhat casual fashion, indicating that the long driveway can be used. This use itself may compromise the setting of the Listed Buildings, and there is a potential risk of overspill onto the adjacent narrow lane. The comments of NYCC Highways will be particularly important in determining the suitability or otherwise of the proposed parking arrangements. Should a separate car parking area be proposed subsequently, care must be taken that this doesn't impact adversely on either the AONB landscape or the setting of the Listed Buildings.
- 4. A number of Objections have been made by local residents, relating to potential anti-social behaviour issues. This isn't specifically within the purview of the AONB Committee, but Designated Landscapes have an important role to play in the health and wellbeing of all members of society. The LPA will undoubtedly be taking advice from its Neighbourhood Team and the Police in relation to this aspect of the proposal.

Paul Jackson Howardian Hills AONB Manager The Old Vicarage Bondgate Helmsley York YO62 5BP



From:	Paul Jackson
Sent:	20 November 2018 16:52
То:	'GEN - Planning Emails'
Subject:	18/02252/FUL: Conversion of outbuildings to form living area, Townend Farm,
	Skewsby

I have the following comment to make on this proposal:

 As the building is an existing agricultural building, I feel that the colour scheme for the windows and doors should reflect this heritage rather than being overtly 'domestic'. I'd therefore like to see the woodwork painted in an alternative colour to white – the shade of blue of the existing doors and windows would seem to be one that would preserve this distinction between the original farmhouse and this converted outbuilding.

Paul Jackson Howardian Hills AONB Manager The Old Vicarage Bondgate Helmsley York YO62 5BP



From:	dm@ryedale.gov.uk
Sent:	21 November 2018 17:13
То:	Paul Jackson
Subject:	Consultee Comments for Planning Application 18/01164/FUL

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Comments were submitted at 5:13 PM on 21 Nov 2018 from Mr Paul Jackson (paul.jackson@northyorks.gov.uk) on behalf of Paul Jackson AONB Manager.

# **Application Summary**

Reference:	18/01164/FUL
Address:	Land At Main Street Stonegrave Helmsley
Proposal:	Erection of 1no. two bedroom detached dwelling following demolition of existing garage and store, erection of detached open fronted garage and store with associated parking
Case Officer:	Alan Goforth

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# **Comments Details**

I have the following comments to make on this proposal:
 No objection to the principle of the demolition of the garage and its replacement with a dwelling.

2) No objection to the design or siting of the proposed garage and storage shed.

3) I do however have considerable concerns about the proposed height of the main element of the dwelling. The topography of the site falls away to the east, towards the junction of the B1257 with Carr Lane, so one would expect the main rooflines of dwellings to follow this line if possible. The ridge line of the main element of the house is already higher than that of the dwelling in whose garden it will be constructed. I'm concerned that the height of the building will appear disproportionate in

**Comments:** Inleght of the building will appear disproportionate in relation to the other dwellings in the vicnity, as well as to its length, and by dint of that will have an overbearing visual impact when viewed from the east. The site is particularly prominent when viewed whilst travelling west on the B1257 and although the eastern gable wall will be broken up by the subservient extension element, I still have concerns about the bulk. This I feel will be exacerbated by the significant fall in the land level to the south as well, and the proposed dwelling's relationship with the thatched house to the south. Whilst it is appreciated that the Northern elevation has been designed to mimic the simple design of the existing garage, I don't feel that this scales up well to a two storey building. The impression conveyed in the drawings



is one of a large expanse of unbroken stonework, which I feel will accentuate the height of the building and contribute to its visual bulk. The proportional relationship of height to length appears uncomfortable and my preference would be for a more conventional cottage design, with a lower roofline to the main element. Paul Jackson



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From:	dm@ryedale.gov.uk
Sent:	07 February 2019 12:54
То:	Paul Jackson
Subject:	Consultee Comments for Planning Application 18/01164/FUL

Mr Paul Jackson,

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Comments were submitted at 12:53 PM on 07 Feb 2019 from Mr Paul Jackson (paul.jackson@northyorks.gov.uk) on behalf of Paul Jackson AONB Manager.

# **Application Summary**

Reference:	18/01164/FUL
Address:	Land At Main Street Stonegrave Helmsley
Proposal:	Erection of 1no. two bedroom detached dwelling following demolition of existing garage and store, erection of detached open fronted garage and store with associated parking
Caso Officar	Alan Coforth

Case Officer: Alan Goforth

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# **Comments Details**

I have the following comments to make on the revised plans:

1) The reduction in the height of the ridgeline for the property is noted.

2) The revised fenestration for the north elevation of the proposed dwelling is noted. I feel that this would present a more acceptable facade to the main road, and the irregular spacing is similar to that found on other properties in Stonegrave (i.e. where the rear elevations face the road).

3) I have however noted another detail which needs clarification. The new window frames are proposed to be "wood-effect PVCU". As the applicant's current property

**Comments:** has brown window frames it is assumed that the window frames for the new property are also proposed to be brown. This would not in my view be acceptable. Brown window frames are not a vernacular feature of stone-built traditional-style dwellings in the Howardian Hills. The applicant's current house is the only property in Stonegrave with brown window frames (which were changed from white a number of years ago) and unfortunately I feel that it stands out as a discordant feature as a result. Should this application be approved then the window frames should be a white or pale colour, to match the remainder of the properties within Stonegrave. Paul Jackson

From:	Paul Jackson
Sent:	26 November 2018 15:48
To:	'GEN - Planning Emails'
Subject:	18/02492/APN: Construction of agricultural building, Easingwold Road, Crayke
Importance:	High

I have the following comments to make in relation to this application:

- 1. I note that the proposed building is 42.5m by 24m, with a proposed ridge height of 10.5m. At 996 square metres it is 3m below the new threshold of 1,000 square metres.
- 2. I also note the proposal to use Juniper Green sheeting for both the walls and the roof.
- 3. The site proposed for such a large building is however completely unacceptable. It is in the middle of open countryside, where approved hedgerow removal (although not by the applicant) has taken place in the last few years. There is no existing screening and, although 60m outside the AONB boundary, in my view the building would have a significantly adverse visual impact on the setting of the AONB. Large new buildings constructed at nearby Rose Cottage in recent years have the advantage of being associated with an existing dwelling, and not being in such an open situation. If this had been a Full Planning Application I would have Objected to it.
- 4. On that note, I don't believe that the Prior Notification procedure is valid in this instance. The application form states that the building will be used for housing livestock. Using distances measured on MAGIC, I believe that both Rose Cottage and Rookery House are within 400m of the proposed building. As indicated above, if this building was adjudged to require Planning Permission then an Objection would be lodged in respect of visual impact on the setting of the AONB.

Paul Jackson Howardian Hills AONB Manager The Old Vicarage Bondgate Helmsley York YO62 5BP



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**Dear Sirs** 

#### AAP/Y2736/C/18/3207694: Land at Scackleton Lane, Scackleton

I have the following comments to make **in support of the Enforcement Notice** issued by Ryedale District Council for the development at this site:

#### Agricultural nature of the proposed business

- I do not consider that the proposed business can be considered to be 'agricultural'. Although alpacas are classed as agricultural animals in the planning system, the Appellant's Business Plan clearly indicates that the significant majority of the income will be earned from non-agricultural activities (walking and the sale of alpaca 'beans').
- Looking at the income projections for Year 3 (i.e. at the end of the standard period were a temporary permission to be granted), the Business Plan indicates that the agricultural elements of the enterprise are making a loss. The Breeding & Upkeep and Fleece income lines show an aggregated loss of £104.50.
- In contrast, the Walking and Beans lines show an aggregated profit of £93,600. It is clear that the business is based on the ancillary elements of trekking and manure sales, rather than the mainstream agricultural activities of producing breeding stock for sale and the production and/or processing of fleeces.
- Having sought information from the two existing alpaca farmers within the Howardian Hills AONB, they have both indicated that the projected income from the sale of alpaca manure is in their view highly speculative. They indicate that to achieve the levels of profit suggested, the majority of husbandry time is likely to be spent picking up and delivering manure to retail outlets. This raises the question of whether it is feasible to simultaneously achieve the income projected from both the Walking and Beans income lines.
- The Appellant's case states that the average charge for an Alpaca Walk is £35 per person, but the Business Plan uses a figure of £45 per person. The amount charged by the one existing business within the AONB that runs Alpaca Walks is £30 per person. I therefore contend that, even if this activity is considered relevant in this context, the calculation is inflated.

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- None of the Appeal cases cited by the Appellant has a business model similar to the one
  proposed here all of them are based on a more orthodox model of producing breeding stock
  and fleeces, together with various additional income streams such as pigs, chickens, hay and
  camping/caravanning. None of them mentions the sale of alpaca beans, indicating that either the
  Appellant has found a niche market that no other alpaca-rearing business has identified or (more
  likely in my view) this is a highly notional income stream and the figures suggested are unlikely to
  be realised in real life. Scackleton is not near to major centres of population, with the nearest
  garden centres being at York.
- I am of the view that the proposed establishment would in effect be a 'pony trekking stables' but using alpacas. This is not an agricultural land use and as such is unable to claim that an Agricultural Worker's Dwelling would be essential for the welfare of the livestock the actual breeding of alpacas is clearly an ancillary aim.

# Availability of nearby accommodation

- The Appellant's case states that, at the time of the submission, there was no suitable property available to buy or rent within Scackleton. At the time of my site visit on 22<sup>nd</sup> November Town End Farm was available for rent (450m from the Application Site) and one of the former Local Authority houses within the village was also available for rent. This property is 470m from the Application Site and, given the topography, is likely to overlook it. Both properties are owned by local farmers, indicating that long-term rental should be possible.
- I accept that property within Scackleton is not available to buy or rent at a reasonable price all the time, but the above facts indicate that it cannot be dismissed as an unviable option.

#### Impact on the Howardian Hills AONB

- None of the Appeal cases cited in the Statement of Case is located within an Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty, and I would suggest therefore that they cannot be considered comparable given the level of protection afforded to nationally Protected Landscapes such as AONBs.
- All of the Appeal cases mentioned were judged in effect against the 2012 National Planning Policy Framework, which has now been superseded by the 2018 Framework. Para 172 states that: "Great weight should be given to conserving and enhancing landscape and scenic beauty in National Parks, the Broads and Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty, which have the highest status of protection in relation to these issues..... The scale and extent of development within these designated areas should be limited".
- 'Scale and extent' of development can also be considered to include the distribution of development within a landscape, so as to ensure that the essential Special Qualities of a Protected Landscape are not harmed by haphazardly sited development.
- It is important to bear in mind that, for the Appellant's proposed business to develop, considerably
  more infrastructure will need to be constructed on the site than is there at present. A field shelter
  will be required, together with a hardstanding area and toilets for guests coming for the Alpaca
  Walks. I consider that this infrastructure, together with a permanent dwelling should any
  temporary permission be granted and then made permanent, would have an unacceptable visual
  impact on the AONB in this location. The settlement of Scackleton and the 'hamlet' of Hovingham
  Lodge are distinctly separated elements within the landscape, and even the recently established
  Newstead Farm does not impinge on their clear visual separation. The Appellant's case however
  appears to be founded on the notion that it's acceptable to set up a dwelling *anywhere* in the open
  countryside, because it's for alpaca farming. Clearly this is not an acceptable approach within a
  nationally Protected Landscape.

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#### Summary

- The Business Plan for this development is based almost entirely on activities that are not Agricultural in nature.
- Because the stocking level of the farm is very modest, and the alpacas would in fact be being kept almost entirely to provide Walks and manure, the need for an on-site worker's dwelling is not proven.
- · Suitable long-term accommodation is available within Scackleton village.
- The level and nature of development required to establish the business as projected would have an adverse visual impact on the landscape of the Howardian Hills Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty and therefore be contrary to Para 172 of the 2018 Framework and Objective D6 of the 2014-19 Howardian Hills AONB Management Plan.

Yours sincerely

PAUL JACKSON Howardian Hills AONB Manager

From:	dm@ryedale.gov.uk
Sent:	05 December 2018 15:39
То:	Paul Jackson
Subject:	Consultee Comments for Planning Application 18/01126/MFUL

Mr Paul Jackson,

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Comments were submitted at 3:39 PM on 05 Dec 2018 from Mr Paul Jackson (paul.jackson@northyorks.gov.uk) on behalf of Paul Jackson AONB Manager.

# **Application Summary**

Reference:	18/01126/MFUL
Address:	Land At OS Field 8358 Main Street Ampleforth
Proposal:	Erection of a 7no. bedroom detached dwelling, adjacent garage, pavilion for domestic use, tractor and machinery garage linked with storage barn, block of four stables with tack room and storage and erection of ground-mounted solar panels, together with formation of access drive and reinforced grass turning circle, planting of an apple orchard and additional hard and soft landscaping
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Case Officer: Alan Hunter

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# **Comments Details**

I have the following comments to make in relation to this proposal:

1) The proposal contains a significant level of detail, both in relation to the design and the innovative features, which is outside the scope of expertise contained within the AONB Team.

2) Given that the proposal is contrary to Policy SP2 of the Adopted Ryedale Local Plan Strategy, it will need to be judged against the 2018 National Planning Policy Framework. Paragraph 172 of the Framework states that great weight should be given to conserving and enhancing the landscape and scenic beauty in National Parks and

**Comments:** AONBs, which have the highest level of protection in relation to these issues. The proposal is within the Howardian Hills AONB and within the setting of the North York Moors National Park.

3) Paragraph 79 of the 2018 Framework provides an exemption for new dwellings within the open countryside. One of the criteria is where the design is truly outstanding and innovative AND would significantly enhance its immediate setting. Both strands of the criteria need to be met and I don't feel that this proposal satisfies that requirement. Discounting all of the associated landscape planting, pond creation and orchard planting, because those items could be completed without the need to



construct a dwelling, I don't feel that the design of the dwelling and ancillary buildings would significantly enhance their immediate setting. A Public Footpath runs through the site and the proposed dwelling would have an adverse visual impact on both the AONB directly and the settings of both the AONB and National Park. Paul Jackson



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From:	dm@ryedale.gov.uk
Sent:	10 December 2018 13:23
То:	Paul Jackson
Subject:	Consultee Comments for Planning Application 18/01284/FUL

Mr Paul Jackson,

You have been sent this email because you or somebody else has submitted a consultee comment on a Planning Application to your local authority using your email address. A summary of your comments is provided below.

Comments were submitted at 1:22 PM on 10 Dec 2018 from Mr Paul Jackson (paul.jackson@northyorks.gov.uk) on behalf of Paul Jackson AONB Manager.

# **Application Summary**

Reference:	18/01284/FUL
Address:	Trigger Castle Braygate Street Swinton Malton YO17 6QT
Proposal:	Erection of 1no. stable block to include 3no. stables, erection of 1no. building to include 12no. stables and storage rooms and associated landscaping scheme
Case Officer:	Alan Hunter

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#### **Comments Details**

I have the following observations to make in respect of these proposals:

1) The proposed stables barn and block reference the AONB Design Guide for New Farm Buildings and Infrastructure, and follow the principles in relation to building siting and colour of materials.

**Comments:** 2) The proposed landscaping scheme is both extensive and sympathetic to the existing character of the locality and should help integrate the development well into the AONB landscape. The design and extent of the tree planting will help enhance the existing strong local landscape characteristics of both a roadside 'avenue' of trees and scattered hedgerow trees. Paul Jackson

From:	dm@ryedale.gov.uk
Sent:	10 December 2018 13:12
То:	Paul Jackson
Subject:	Consultee Comments for Planning Application 18/01259/HOUSE

Mr Paul Jackson,

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Comments were submitted at 1:12 PM on 10 Dec 2018 from Mr Paul Jackson (paul.jackson@northyorks.gov.uk) on behalf of Paul Jackson AONB Manager.

# **Application Summary**

Reference:18/01259/HOUSEAddress:Rose Cottage Main Street Bulmer Malton YO60 7BLProposal:Erection of replacement 2 storey rear extensionCase Officer:Emma WoodlandClick for further information

# **Comments Details**

I have the following observations to make in respect of this proposal:

1) The existing flat-roofed extension has always appeared somewhat incongruous on this vernacular building and the proposal to re-model the rooflines and form of the building should make the extension appear more sympathetic.

2) I believe that the drawing "Proposed - East Elevation" is incorrect and in fact shows the Existing elevation of the building. The new ridgeline, extended pitched roof and side wall of the proposed extension should be visible on this elevation. Although some guesswork is currently

this elevation. Although some guesswork is currently needed, and correct drawings should be submitted to ensure full compliance if Approved, I feel that the visual appearance of this elevation should also be improved. 3) I note that two full-height glazed panels are proposed for the northern elevation. In some situations these can be a significant visual intrusion. As this is the northern elevation however I do not feel that they will cause significant reflections, and the use of extended gable-end overhangs creates significant shadowing which will help mask their size further. Unlike the West and East elevations, the northern elevation is only visible in long distance views from the Ganthorpe road. Paul Jackson



From:	dm@ryedale.gov.uk
Sent:	19 December 2018 16:48
То:	Paul Jackson
Subject:	Consultee Comments for Planning Application 18/01317/MFUL

Mr Paul Jackson,

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Comments were submitted at 4:48 PM on 19 Dec 2018 from Mr Paul Jackson (paul.jackson@northyorks.gov.uk) on behalf of Paul Jackson AONB Manager.

# **Application Summary**

Reference:	18/01317/MFUL	
Address:	Land At Malton Enterprise Park York Road Malton North Yorkshire	
Proposal:	Erection of 10 no. business starter units for industrial use (Use Class B1 and B2) and Storage and Distribution (Use Class B8) with associated parking, servicing and hard surfacing	
Case Officer:	Alan Hunter	

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#### **Comments Details**

I have the following comments to make in relation to this application:

1) The 3D photo representations indicate a roof colour that is darker than the walls. The roof colour should therefore be of a similar or darker grey colour to that proposed for the walls, i.e. Grey Aluminium RAL 9007 or darker.

**Comments:** 2) Reference should be made to the other recently Approved schemes on the Enterprise Park, to ensure that similar colour schemes are used throughout and that a cohesiveness of design and appearance differentiates this part of the industrial estate (which is nearest the AONB) from that part which is nearer Malton. Paul Jackson

From:	dm@ryedale.gov.uk
Sent:	01 February 2019 17:25
То:	Paul Jackson
Subject:	Consultee Comments for Planning Application 19/00017/FUL

Mr Paul Jackson,

You have been sent this email because you or somebody else has submitted a consultee comment on a Planning Application to your local authority using your email address. A summary of your comments is provided below.

Comments were submitted at 5:24 PM on 01 Feb 2019 from Mr Paul Jackson (paul.jackson@northyorks.gov.uk) on behalf of Paul Jackson AONB Manager.

# **Application Summary**

Reference:	19/00017/FUL
Address:	Land At OS Field No 0078 Main Street Oswaldkirk Helmsley North Yorkshire
Proposal:	Erection of two banks of ground based solar panels totalling 76no. panels to provide electricity for domestic use with any surplus fed to the National Grid
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Case Officer: Niamh Bonner

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# **Comments Details**

I have the following comments to make in relation to this proposal:

1) Although the site may be seen in partial glimpsed views from public roads near the site, I don't feel that these views would be significant. The installation is however of a considerable size, significantly larger than other 'domestic' installations within the AONB. 2) Photos submitted by objectors indicate faint traces of ridge and furrow cultivation marks, and English Heritage's National Mapping Programme some years ago indicated surviving ridge and furrow in the fields immediately to the west. Specific historic environment advice should be Comments: sought from North Yorkshire County Council if appropriate. 3) Due to the size of the proposed installation, it's potential impact on the setting of the Oswaldkirk Conservation Area and The Old Rectory as a Listed Building will need to be carefully considered. 4) In conclusion, I don't have any objection to the

principle of siting a solar array in the location proposed, but I do have concerns in relation to potential adverse impacts on both designated and non-designated heritage assets and their settings. Paul Jackson

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From:	Paul Jackson
Sent:	01 February 2019 17:35
То:	'dm@ryedale.gov.uk'
Subject:	19/00043/AMEND: addition of stainless steel chimney & amended window colour,
	barns at Coulton Grange

I have the following comments to make in relation to these proposed amendments:

- 1. No objection to the change in colour of the roof light frames.
- 2. No objection in principle to the addition of a woodburning stove flue.
- 3. The flue should however be of an anodised black finish stainless steel flues, and particularly spinners if added, can create significant reflections when viewed from a distance. These detract from the AONB landscape and create an unnecessary visual intrusion.

Paul Jackson Howardian Hills AONB Manager The Old Vicarage Bondgate Helmsley York YO62 5BP



From:	Paul Jackson
Sent:	07 February 2019 12:08
То:	Planning Control
Cc:	John Wainwright
Subject:	NY/2019/0006/A27: Discharge of Conditions, Crayke Sewage Works

I have the following comments to make on this proposal:

 The proposed seed mix for the new grass areas is distinctly cheap and unimaginative and the opportunity should be taken to achieve some biodiversity enhancement that would not interfere with operations or create significance maintenance liabilities. Rather than the Emorsgate Strong Lawn Mix proposed I would suggest a combination of Emorsgate ESF2 (Wild Pollen & Nectar Flowers) mixed with the suggested base ESG2 (Fine Grassland Mix). At the recommended sowing rate of 20kg/ha of the base ESG2 with 2kg/ha of ESF1 this would give a stable grassland mix that would be significantly better for biodiversity than the one proposed.

Paul Jackson Howardian Hills AONB Manager The Old Vicarage Bondgate Helmsley York YO62 5BP



From:	Paul Jackson
Sent:	18 February 2019 17:21
То:	'GEN - Planning Emails'
Subject:	19/00002/FUL: Change of use of land and retention of buildings; OS Field 2064,
	Crayke

I have the following comments to make in relation to this proposal:

- 1. As with previous applications, I feel that the buildings are low in height, screened from the public road by tall hedges and use materials of a sympathetic colour. I don't therefore have any concerns about potential adverse visual impact on the AONB landscape from retention of the buildings themselves.
- 2. This application however introduces a new dimension for the site, namely the running of an equestrian business, and this type of use has not been examined as part of any of the previous applications.
- 3. If it is proposed that pony-sharers and holiday makers will be using the establishment then this would represent a significant escalation of use of the site. It would require the formation of a parking area, proper tarmacked visibility splay at the entrance and also toilet/handwashing facilities. This would clearly then be in a different league to previous proposals, where only one or at most two vehicles would be visiting the site. I do not feel that this additional level of development would be acceptable on this site and that unacceptable visual harm to the AONB *would* then be caused.
- 4. One of the current members of the AONB Team is an expert equestrian planning advisor and she believes that the site could not sustainably accommodate the number of ponies inferred from the number of stables. The area of grassland is too small to support grazing for this number, and certainly could not produce the required amount of forage for winter feeding. This would necessitate large amounts of bagged forage being stored on-site, for ponies that would need to be stabled for most of the year (unless access to other grazing land could be negotiated from nearby owners).
- 5. Unfortunately I'm unable to scrutinise the submitted Business Plan, but the application site is in a location that is extremely poorly served by off-road riding opportunities. The nearest bridleways are in Oulston some 2.5km to the north, and in Crayke 3km to the south. These do not link together to form any kind of circular route and all would require significant amounts of on-road riding to reach them. All the roads in the vicinity of the application site have a 60mph speed limit, with substantial roadside hedges that limit visibility in many places. Local traffic on these roads will routinely be travelling at 40-50mph and I do not consider that they are safe for people who may be inexperienced riders. I don't feel that this would be a viable business proposition, or indeed a sustainable facility that we'd be prepared to promote to visitors to the AONB, simply due to the almost total lack of nearby off-road riding opportunities.
- 6. In conclusion, I don't feel that this current proposal will be viable and therefore feel that it should be Refused. The site has two lawful structures for agricultural use and the most sustainable way forward will be for an owner to utilise the site within these parameters.

Paul Jackson Howardian Hills AONB Manager The Old Vicarage Bondgate Helmsley York YO62 5BP



From:	dm@ryedale.gov.uk
Sent:	25 February 2019 16:37
То:	Paul Jackson
Subject:	Consultee Comments for Planning Application 19/00111/FUL

Mr Paul Jackson,

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Comments were submitted at 4:37 PM on 25 Feb 2019 from Mr Paul Jackson (paul.jackson@northyorks.gov.uk) on behalf of Paul Jackson AONB Manager.

# **Application Summary**

Reference:	19/00111/FUL
Address:	The Boathouse Castle Howard York North Yorkshire
Proposal:	Change of use of land for the extension of existing children's adventure play area including the erection of boardwalk and ropebridge from existing playground over Great Lake and installation of play structure
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Case Officer: Rachael Balmer

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#### **Comments Details**

I have the following observations to make in relation to this proposal:

1) The site is within the Grade I Registered Park and Garden of Castle Howard and Historic England's views should be taken into account. I don't feel that the proposal would have an adverse visual impact on the AONB landscape, nor compromise the contribution of the Castle Howard landscape to character of the AONB.

**Comments:** 2) The Great Lake at Castle Howard is designated as a Site of Importance for Nature Conservation, and the proposals fall within the boundary of the SINC. I don't however feel that the proposals will cause lasting damage. Disturbance of the water body and bankside vegetaion should be kept to a minimum during construction works, and barrier measures should be used to ensure that visitors aren't able to access the waterside and damage habitat. Paul Jackson

From:	Paul Jackson
Sent:	25 February 2019 16:18
То:	'GEN - Planning Emails'
Subject:	18/01322/DCN: Construction of 3 eco-pods, The Baggins, Thornton-on-the-Hill

I have the following comments to make in respect of the details submitted to Discharge the Conditions specified:

- It's unclear from the photograph submitted as to whether the boarding proposed is standard 'Yorkshire'type boarding or whether it is wavy-edged boarding. A 'Yorkshire'-type boarding would I feel be more appropriate rather than the more domestic-looking wavy-edged boarding. No detail is given of colour finish.
- 2) The Landscaping Plan gives no details of tree size or protection measures against grazing mammals and livestock.
- 3) The Lighting Plan gives no detail of the wattage or Lux values of the lights proposed, nor any detail about timers/PIR control.

In conclusion, I feel that insufficient detail has been submitted to enable the Discharge of these Conditions.

Paul Jackson Howardian Hills AONB Manager The Old Vicarage Bondgate Helmsley York YO62 5BP



From:	Paul Jackson
Sent:	01 March 2019 13:10
То:	'dm@ryedale.gov.uk'
Subject:	19/00143/HOUSE: Demolition of agricultural building, removal of porches and
	addition of windows & doors; The Barn House, High Gaterley

I have the following comments to make on these proposals:

- 1. No objection to the removal of the modern agricultural building. This does however open-up the views of the range of converted agricultural buildings to users of the Public Rights of Way that run along the north and east sides of the application site, which has a bearing on the remainder of the proposals put forward for new porches, doors and windows.
- 2. Proposed East elevation no objections.
- 3. Proposed South elevation no objections.
- 4. Proposed North elevation No objection to reinstating the former window openings and inserting glazed panels in the hemmel arches. The two proposed ground floor windows of door-size proportion, and the two-storey window at the western end, are however features of a non-vernacular design that compromise the historic integrity of the former agricultural building. I don't find these openings to be acceptable in their current design.
- 5. Proposed West elevation Object to the full-gable glazing proposed for the western elevation. Such features are not appropriate in non-designated heritage assets with a nationally protected landscape. I don't have an objection in principle to a 3-pane door opening at ground level, but this should have a conventional window opening above at first floor height.
- 6. No details are given of frame colours for the existing/proposed windows and doors. These should follow the existing colour scheme where appropriate, or if replacement glazing is proposed all-round then frames should ideally be of a dark colour and set within deep reveals.

Paul Jackson Howardian Hills AONB Manager The Old Vicarage Bondgate Helmsley York YO62 5BP



From:	Paul Jackson
Sent:	11 March 2019 17:39
То:	'dm@ryedale.gov.uk'
Subject:	19/00185/FUL: Alterations & extensions to car park; Ampleforth Abbey

I have the following comments to make in relation to this proposal:

- 1) No observations on re-arrangement of the parking bays within the existing car park area, or the creation of new footpaths within the site.
- 2) I do however have considerable concerns about the creation of the new car parking area. The current car park is well contained within the visual 'envelope' of the Abbey and buildings, behind a very strong landscape screen. The proposed new parking area steps outside this and will result in the rows of parked cars being visible from a variety of viewpoints in the wider landscape.
- 3) In my view this adverse visual impact can be mitigated satisfactorily, but it will require considerably more than the partial single row of trees/shrubs indicated on the plan. In order to create a substantial screen in the fullness of time, and replicate the strong visual screen that shields the current car park, at least 4 rows of native trees and shrubs will be required, with the tree species being of larger planting stock so as to create a more substantial screen from Year 1. The screen should also extend for the full length of the minor road, linking the bottom lane with the small copse of trees to the north. A detailed landscaping scheme could be required as part of the initial submission documents, or could be Conditioned as part of an Approval.
- 4) I believe that the screening outlined above is necessary to mitigate the current proposal in its own right, but this could also be seen as future-proofing and an investment for the future. Parking space around the Abbey buildings is already constrained, and it isn't difficult to envisage that further car parking might be required at some point in the future. Subject to further Consent being granted, the creation of a strong landscaping belt to the west might potentially enable extension of the parking area in the future, without causing additional adverse visual impact.

Paul Jackson Howardian Hills AONB Manager The Old Vicarage Bondgate Helmsley York YO62 5BP



# 2018/19 Junior Ranger Activities

The Junior Ranger sessions this year have been delivered with the Education Officer from The Yorkshire Arboretum. The Ryevitalise activities were also delivered with the Catchment Restoration Officer for Ryevitalise. The turtle dove activities were provided by the Turtle Dove Officer and the tansy beetle activities by a Tansy Beetle Project volunteer.

#### Easter 2018:

Ranger Day	Activities	No of children
Ryevitalise	Kick sampling in the River Rye for invertebrates.	18
Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> April	River invertebrate id.	10
Helmsley	Paper plate fish, willow fish, river-life mobiles.	

# May half-term 2018:

Ranger Day	Activities	No of children
Turtle Doves and Tansy Beetles	Learning about Turtle Dove habitats and associated crafts.	20
Wednesday30th May	Visit by the Tansy Beetle Officer working on the River Ouse – tansy beetle crafts and planting tansy plants.	
The Yorkshire Arboretum	A short additional session about pollinators at The Arboretum.	

# October 2018:

Ranger Day	Activities	No of children
Down on the Farm Wednesday 31 <sup>st</sup> October Terrington Village Hall and a local farm	Morning at the farm – farm walk, pondlife, apple activities and making a scarecrow Afternoon in the Village Hall – sheep and harvest crafts	18 (am) 16 (pm)

# February 2019:

Ranger Day	Activities	No of children
Dark Skies	Inflatable planetarium provided by Hidden Horizons and dark skies related crafts.	28

#### HOWARDIAN HILLS AREA OF OUTSTANDING NATURAL BEAUTY JOINT ADVISORY COMMITTEE 11 APRIL 2019

#### **DEVELOPMENT WITHIN THE AONB**

#### 1.0 PURPOSE OF REPORT

1.1 To receive details of planning applications determined within the AONB during 2018.

#### 2.0 BACKGROUND

2.1 At the spring meeting, the JAC receives an annual report on the number and type of planning applications determined within the AONB during the previous year. This procedure was started for the first time in 1998 and gives an impression of the degree of development pressure within the AONB.

#### 3.0 DEVELOPMENT DURING 2018

- 3.1 A summary of planning applications determined during 2018 appears in Appendix 1. Details have been included of all applications within the period which were Granted or Refused by the two principal local planning authorities – Hambleton and Ryedale District Councils. Details have not been included of applications which were withdrawn or where a decision was still pending at the end of the year.
- 3.2 It is important not to read too much into this information. Nothing can be deduced about the scale of development or its visual impact. Nevertheless the following appear to be the most significant conclusions:
  - The AONB is still under relatively little development pressure, certainly when compared to many other AONBs. The number of applications in 2018 was quite a significant increase on the previous year, being considerably higher than the rolling 5-year average. This may indicate a return to the level of applications seen prior to the economic downturn (the 5-year average for the period 2005 to 2009 was 133).
  - 92% of applications determined were Granted, a figure that is consistent with the 5-year average of 91%. Planning control in the AONB is still allowing the overwhelming majority of applications to proceed, whilst also preventing those that are not of the highest quality necessary to be permitted within an AONB.
  - Development continues to be spread across nearly all villages, but with higher numbers of applications generally being seen in the larger villages. Activity in most Ryedale villages in 2018 was fairly consistent with the 5-year average, although Welburn saw far fewer applications than average and a significant number were seen in the area of Swinton parish which is within the AONB. In the Hambleton villages the number of applications is double what it was in the previous year, with particularly higher-than-normal numbers seen in Crayke and Brandsby. The apparent phenomenon of 'applications triggering more applications' was apparent in Stittenham, Bulmer, Brandsby and Crayke. In previous years it has been seen in Yearsley and Terrington. In practice this is often due to one development undergoing a number of Amendment submissions before construction starts.

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- Most pressure was for small-scale householder applications e.g. residential extensions. The Agricultural category of development (including Prior Notifications) categories showed a significant increase on the 5-year average, with 20 applications seen in 2018/19 in comparison with 8 in 2017/18.
- The AONB continues to be under relatively little tourism and recreational development pressure, although the number of applications in 2018 was slightly higher than the 5-year average.
- Quite a number of significant applications and cases were seen in the financial year 2018/19. Ones that can be highlighted include the erection of new farm buildings at Crambe, Howsham and Crayke; the erection of large agricultural buildings utilising the new Permitted Development limit of 1,000 m<sup>2</sup> at Swinton and Crayke; the erection of new 'country house' dwellings at Musley Bank and Ampleforth; the erection of a significant extension to a very distinctive pair of cottages at High Stittenham; the erection of significant extensions to a prominent house in Skewsby; significant areas of new glazing in a converted barn at High Gaterley and a cottage in Low Hutton; continued wrangling over the retention of smallholder buildings near Crayke; Smart Meter masts for Hovingham and Ampleforth; an Appeal case for an 'alpaca farm' at Scackleton; and the dual-use application for Howsham Hall as an all-year-round wedding venue.
- Information for the Hambleton area indicates that in 2018 three applications were Withdrawn before a Decision was made.
- 3.3 In the financial year 2018/19, which of course does not precisely overlap with the calendar year 2018, 126 planning application consultations were scrutinised, having either been referred in accordance with the agreed consultation procedure or called-up by the AONB Manager. These involved 115 individual cases, with 16 'repeat' consultations in cases where comments had been submitted previously and proposals were amended and re-consulted as a consequence:
  - The AONB Manager submitted comments in 36 instances. Of these, 25 proposals were granted Consent after the suggested amendments had been implemented, or appropriate Conditions were attached.
  - Objections/Significant Concerns were lodged in a further 17 responses. Of these, the Local Planning Authority: Approved 4 schemes; Approved 6 schemes following suggested amendments, Refused 3 schemes; 4 cases are still pending a Decision.
  - This has been a busier year than the previous one. In the 2017/18 year the AONB Manager scrutinised 98 applications. Over 120 were scrutinised in 2015/16 and 2016/17, which is more on a par with the number seen in this past year. This has been an additional unfortunate strain on the resources of the AONB Team during a Management Plan review year.

In many cases the comments submitted were relatively minor in nature, but nonetheless important in order to ensure that the AONB landscape, wildlife and historic heritage is conserved appropriately. Many of the comments made relate to the colour of materials and wall/roof finishes. Although a Condition is often placed on the development by the District Council, it is only once the development takes place that we can see whether our comments have truly been successful or not. Members should note that we have very little control over the workload generated by this area of our work, as it is dependent upon the number and type of applications submitted.

#### 4.0 **RECOMMENDATION**

That the report be received for information.

#### Appendix 1

Howardian Hills AONB						
Applications Determined by Parish						
Applications Determined by Lansin						
						5yr Average
Ryedale Parishes	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2014-2018
		20.0	20.0		2010	2011 2010
Ampleforth	5	9	5	6	5	6
Bulmer	2	0	2	2	4	2
Cawton	4	3	0	0	0	1
Coneysthorpe	0	0	0	0	0	0
Coulton	1	3	2	3	1	2
Crambe	3	2	0	0	3	2
Gilling East	6	12	2	8	6	7
Grimstone	0	0	0	0	1	0
Henderskelfe	2	1	0	0	2	1
Hovingham	4	6	7	8	6	6
Howsham	1	2	1	1	3	2
Huttons Ambo	3	5	9	3	4	5
Nunnington	4	4	0	6	2	3
Oswaldkirk	3	6	5	5	5	5
Scackleton	3	1	4	1	1	2
Sheriff Hutton (High Stittenham)	0	1	0	0	4	1
Sproxton	3	4	3	0	0	2
Stonegrave	0	2	0	3	2	1
Swinton	0	0	0	0	7	1
Terrington	1	6	3	13	9	6
Welburn	7	10	9	9	4	8
Westow	0	0	0	0	2	0
Whitwell-on-the Hill	2	0	0	1	1	1
Street villages	~	~	~	2	~	2
Total Ryedale	54	77	52	71	72	65
Hambleton Parishes						
Deer delay and Oteranda	_			-	40	
Brandsby-cum-Stearsby	7	4	5	5	10	6
Coxwold	0	1	0	2	1	1
Crayke	6	4	5	3	14	6
Dalby-cum-Skewsby	2	4	0	3	4	3
Husthwaite	7	1	1	0	4	3
Newburgh	1	0	0	1	0	0
Oulston	0	0	1	1	2	1
Thornton-on-the-Hill	1	2	2	0	3	2
Whenby	2	0	1	0	0	1
Yearsley	5	9	7	6	2	6
Total Hambleton	31	25	22	21	40	28
TOTAL HOWARDIAN HILLS AONB	85	102	74	92	112	93

Howardian Hills AONB												
Applications Determined by												
Type of Development												
(Number of applications and % approved)												
											5yr Average	
Ryedale Parishes	20	014	20	015	20	016	2017		2018		2014-2018	
Residential - New Build	9		4		3		7		2		5	
		78%		50%		100%		100%		100%		
Residential - Conversions	0		3	4000/	4	4000/	7	740/	1	00/	3	
Holiday - Conversions	0	~	1	100%	0	100%	0	71%	0	0%	0	
	0	~		100%	0	~	0	~	U	~	v	
Householder	21		44		25		37		33		32	
Detail	0	90%	0	86%	0	88%	4	97%	0	94%	•	
Retail	0	~	0	~	0	~	1	100%	0	~	0	
Business & Commercial	1		2		3		4	10070	3		3	
		0%		100%		100%		100%		100%		
Minerals & Waste	0		0		0		0		0		0	
Tourism & Recreation	1	~	1	~	2	~	1	~	3	~	2	
		100%		100%		100%		100%	Ŭ	100%		
Community Facilities	1		0		1		0		0		0	
Agriculture	2	100%	7	~		100%	4	~	4	~	5	
Agriculture	3	66%	7	100%	5	80%	4	100%	4	100%	Э	
Agricultural Prior Notifications	5	0070	4	10070	4	0070	1	10070	7	10070	4	
Other	18	000/	12	92%	8	1009/	9	100%	18	94%	13	
Equestrian	0	88%	3	92%	1	100%	0	100%	1	94%	1	
	0	~		100%		100%	•	~		100%	•	
Total Ryedale	59	050/	81	000/	56	0.00/	71	000/	72	0.40/	68	
		85%		88%		92%		96%		94%		
Hambleton Parishes												1
		_		1					_			
Residential - New Build	1	0%	3	66%	4	75%	2	50%	5	80%	3	
Residential - Conversions	1	0 %	1	00%	2	75%	1	50%	3	00 %	2	
		100%		100%		100%		0%	-	100%		
Holiday - Conversions	1		2		0		0		1		1	
Householder	22	100%	15	100%	12	~	11	~	17	100%	15	
Householder	22	100%	15	93%	12	100%		100%	17	88%	15	
Retail	0		0		0		0		0		0	
	-	~		~		~		~		~		
Business & Commercial	0	~	0		1	0%	3	100%	3	100%	1	
Minerals & Waste	0	~	0	~	0	0 %	0	100%	0	100%	0	
		~		~		~	-	~		~		
Tourism & Recreation	2	10000	0		0		1	0.01	2	10000	1	
Community Facilities	0	100%	0	~	0	~	0	0%	0	100%	0	
	0	~	U	~	U	~	U	~	0	~	v	
Agriculture	4		4		3		0		6		3	
		75%		100%		67%		~		83%		
Agricultural Prior Notifications	1		2		3		3		3		2	
Other	0		0		0		0		0		0	
		~		~		~		~		~		
Total Hambleton	32	94%	27	92%	25	86%	21	83%	40	89%	29	
		34 70		JZ 70		00%		03%		03%		
TOTAL HOWARDIAN HILLS AONB	91	1	108		81	·	92	1	112	1	97	1
		88%		90%		90%		93%		92%		91%

## AONB ACTION PROGRAMME 2018/19

#### 1.0 PURPOSE OF REPORT

1.1 To receive details of progress made on implementing the AONB Management Plan during 2018/19. The Action Programme for 2019/20, 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 summary report outlining the progress achieved on the Management Plan objectives in the previous year. The Action Programme document contains full details of the progress made and this has been circulated to Members by email.
- 2.2 A detailed Red/Amber/Green system is used to monitor progress against targets throughout the course of the year, and analysis shows that 87% of the specific targets were fully achieved, 2% were 25-75% achieved, 2% were less than 25% achieved and 6% were not progressed at all.
- 2.3 Statistically this is a better performance than the previous year. 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 during the year.
- 2.4 The principal target that we had hoped to achieve more progress on was the restoration of a couple of traditional direction signs. It had also been planned to submit the Special Interest Road Verges dataset for inclusion in the National Street Gazetteer.

## 3.0 THE ECOSYSTEM APPROACH

- 3.1 Achievements this year included:
  - Inputting to important national and local plans to assess conformity with the AONB Management Plan, including the Ryedale Local Plan Strategy and the North Yorkshire Minerals & Waste Joint Plan, as well as the Defra Health & Harmony, Protecting & Enhancing England's Trees and Woodlands consultations and the MHCLG revisions to the NPPF.
  - Continuing scoping and landowner liaison work in Hovingham and Gilling villages, as part of the Ryedale Villages Natural Flood Management Project run by the River Derwent Partnership.
  - Attending 2 workshops and 3 webinars run by Natural England exclusively for the AONB Network, to assist with climate change adaption and natural capital mapping work.

# 4.0 NATURAL ENVIRONMENT

- 4.1 Achievements this year included:
  - Continuing to participate in the Biodiversity Action Partnership for Ryedale, Scarborough and the AONB.
  - Carrying out 19 workdays with volunteers on SINCs or SSSIs.
  - Carrying out management work on a total of 13 grassland sites (all SSSI/SINC bar two).
  - Managing 45 Special Interest Road Verges.
  - Carrying out Himalayan balsam control works at Fairy Dell SINC, Mugdale & Barker Woods SINC, River Derwent SSSI and along Wath Beck.
  - Carrying out scrub removal/management works on Peel Wood & Grasslands SINC, Littledale SINC, Amotherby Lane SINC and Foss Spring Mire (SINC).
  - Carrying out clearance of rhododendron on Coulton Moor.
  - Contributing significantly to the development of the HLF-funded Ryevitalise Project, including assisting with development of the main programme documents (ecological surveys, data mapping, LCAP, images, project summaries) and individual projects: Wooded Wonders, Education, Citizen Science, Walking routes, volunteering, Paradise Initiative, Trout in the Classroom, Audience Development Plan and the interpretation strategy.
  - Contributing significantly to the delivery of the HLF-funded Turtle Doves Project within the AONB, with the Spring 2018 surveys completed; seeding work carried out at Coulton, Sproxton and Terrington; a presentation given to the Northern AONBs Group meeting; a second event held for volunteer surveyors; and the Year 2 survey paperwork prepared.
  - Providing funding for community nature areas at Autism Plus (Gilling), Slingsby School (phase 2), and Crayke (phase 1).
  - Continuing involvement with the North Yorkshire Local Geological Sites Partnership, and completing a Geodiversity Audit to survey and map the AONB's most important geodiversity sites. 17 sites were identified as candidate Local Geological Sites. These were rationalised into 16 distinct sites and all of these were approved by the Local Geological Sites Panel as being worthy of designation. Site citations were prepared by one of the geologists on the Panel and these will be passed to Ryedale DC for the formal notification process.
  - Attending meetings of the North Yorkshire & York Local Nature Partnership, and agreeing a contribution to a continuation funding package. The LNP Coordinator prepared a successful bid to the Heritage Lottery Fund for a project to link the Next Steps charity in Norton with the Yorkshire Farm Flora Facilitation Fund.

# 5.0 HISTORIC ENVIRONMENT

- 5.1 Achievements this year included:
  - Completing work on 1 Local Priority Site, and 1 other site/feature.
  - Restoring traditional village name signs in Slingsby, Barton-le-Street and Appleton-le-Street, with the refurbishment of 1 old sign and the casting of 7 new replicas.
  - Completing Year 4 of the Monument Management Scheme, which is principally funded by Historic England. Bracken was strimmed and/or sprayed on 24 Scheduled Monuments; bramble/brash/scrub regrowth was checked and treated on 13 SMs; and 1 SM was re-seeded. In general the strimming followed by spraying approach appears to have been more resilient in terms of weather-dependence, although the results won't be known until May when the bracken starts re-emerging. Many of the SMs sprayed this year have now received 3 years'-worth of control and will be recommended for removal from the Monuments at Risk Register in 2019.

# 6.0 LOCAL COMMUNITIES

- 6.1 Achievements this year included:
  - Involvement in Ward Mapping/Planning in Ampleforth and Sheriff Hutton Wards.
  - 11 community projects funded in 7 villages.
  - Community First Yorkshire project supported with grant aid (see separate report for work achieved by the CFY project officer).
  - Continued liaison with the principal organisations involved in community work in the AONB, via the regular Community Development Officers' meetings.
  - Supporting the development of a Rural Watch Initiative in the Howardian Hills, which now has 15 Volunteer Co-ordinators and 60 members. Grant aid has been provided to the Police to purchase thermal imaging equipment.

# 7.0 AGRICULTURE

- 7.1 Achievements this year included:
  - Completing 4 landscape enhancement schemes, involving 128m of hedge planting/gapping-up, 25m of wall restoration and the planting of 12 new individual trees.
  - Inputting to NAAONB discussions on Brexit issues, the Agriculture Bill and Glover Review of Protected Landscapes (including hosting a Review Panel visit). The visit went to a local farm to hear first-hand about the issues and opportunities presented by farming in an AONB.
  - Scrutinising planning consultations for 20 new agricultural buildings or items of infrastructure.

# 8.0 FORESTRY AND WOODLAND

- 8.1 Achievements this year included:
  - Scrutinising 3 Forestry Commission Felling Licence consultations.
  - Alerting the Forestry Commission to a potential case of illegal felling near Whenby. A Stop Notice was issued and legal investigations are continuing.
  - Continuing participation in the North York Moors Native Woodland Partnership
  - Monitoring the situation with tree diseases, particularly with some further followup Plant Health felling needed in Yearsley Woods to address some lingering signs of Phytophthora disease.

# 9.0 DEVELOPMENT & THE RURAL ECONOMY

- 9.1 Achievements this year included:
  - Monitoring and inputting as necessary to national policy consultations and requests for information received by the NAAONB.
  - Inputting to the Ryedale Local Plan: Local Plan Sites Main Modifications; North York Moors National Park: Local Plan; Minerals & Waste Joint Plan: Call for further evidence on the Hydrocarbons policies.
  - Scrutinising a total of 127 development control consultations across all categories – full details of Development statistics for the AONB in 2018 are given in a separate Report on the agenda.
  - Scrutinising 10 planning consultations relating to small business development in the AONB.
  - Continuing liaison with Northern Powergrid on overhead electricity cable undergrounding. Schemes were finalised for Grimstone Top and Oswaldkirk, with the completion of quite complex design and wayleaves work.

- A partial undergrounding scheme for BT overhead lines was agreed for Nunnington (West) in 2016 and this has now been implemented. BT has also looked retrospectively at the Cawton and Crambe schemes and has completed a rationalisation scheme at Cawton. An objection was lodged against a new line being erected along the perimeter of Newburgh Priory Park – BT rejected our objection but the landowner has now objected because what appears to be public highway verge is in fact private land.
- Working with the Destination Partnerships Officer on: identifying nature-friendly & cycling-friendly businesses; installing pond-dipping platforms & information boards at Terrington, and installing information boards at Castle Howard; holding Dark Skies events at the Arboretum and Castle Howard; providing a planetarium for the February Junior Ranger Club event.

# 10.0 ROADS, TRANSPORT AND TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT

- 10.1 Achievements this year included:
  - Removal of the brown tourism signs for the now-closed Farming Flashback museum at Ampleforth.

# 11.0 RECREATION, ACCESS AND TOURISM

- 11.1 Achievements this year included:
  - Scrutinising 3 relevant development control consultations.
  - Incorporating information on recreational 'hot-spot' pressures at various sites into the new Management Plan.
  - Holding Dark Skies events at the Yorkshire Arboretum (x2) and Castle Howard, as part of the National Parks' Dark Skies Week.
  - Commissioning a STEAM Report on the visitor economy of the AONB and incorporating the data into the new Management Plan.
  - Continuing a major project to assist NYCC with resolving Public Rights of Way issues in the AONB:
    - Installing 15 new/replacement roadside fingerposts and photographing them.
    - Packages of work have been completed by the NYMNPA Modern Apprentices Team at Crambe/Kirkham, Hovingham and Gilling.
  - Agreeing to examine the package of Public Rights of Way Diversions and Creations on the Castle Howard Estate to see if any of them could be publicly funded. The package is understood to have been shelved as NYCC has been unable to contribute any funding and all the costs would therefore need to be met by the Estate.
  - Litter picking at 'hot-spots' throughout the AONB and monitoring/reporting flytipping.

# 12.0 AWARENESS AND PROMOTION

- 12.1 Achievements this year included:
  - Maintaining a neat appearance around the AONB gateway signs.
  - Publishing AONB News and our Annual Report for 2017/18.
  - Attending the Ryedale Show.
  - Maintaining the AONB website.
  - Maintaining a presence on Twitter, publicising the practical work being carried out in the AONB and re-Tweeting as appropriate.
  - Holding 4 Junior Ranger Club sessions throughout the year, with 84 children attending.

- Inputting to the development of the educational strand of the Ryevitalise project by: helping deliver the Countryside Learning Day at Duncombe Park to engage with teachers; visiting Slingsby, Terrington, Hovingham & Terrington Hall Schools to consult with them; holding a Taster Day at Hovingham School using the village beck; assisting with writing the project pro-forma for submission; and assisting with videoing at Hovingham School for the HLF site visit.
- Presentations were given to the Kirkdale Gardening Club and the NYCC Strategic Planning, Economic Growth and Trading Standards Team.

# 13.0 IMPLEMENTATION

- 13.1 Achievements this year included:
  - Utilising the Defra Single Pot funding arrangements to ensure maximum leverage of funds into the AONB.
  - Inputting to NAAONB discussions on Brexit issues, the Agriculture Bill, Environment Bill and Glover Review of Protected Landscapes (including hosting a Review Panel visit).
  - Assisting with development of the main Ryevitalise Project programme (ecological surveys, data mapping, LCAP, images, project summaries) and individual projects: Wooded Wonders, Education, Citizen Science, Walking routes, volunteering, Paradise Initiative, Trout in the Classroom, Audience Development Plan and interpretation strategy.
  - Successful out-sourcing of work to: complete the Geodiversity Audit and compile the site citations for the ratified Local Geological Sites. Significant assistance also provided to major projects that should bring significant and widespread funding/benefits to the AONB: HLF Ryevitalise Project, HLF Turtle Doves Project and the Yorkshire Farm Flora Facilitation Fund.
  - Joint working with the North York Moors National Park on: Native Woodland Partnership; Dark Skies Week; developing the Ryevitalise project for Stage 2 HLF Landscape Partnership funding; HLF Turtle Doves Project; Cornfield Flowers Project; post-Brexit agri-environment scheme development.
  - Working with the Destination Partnerships Officer on: identifying nature-friendly & cycling-friendly businesses; installing pond-dipping platforms & information boards at Terrington, installing information boards at Castle Howard; holding Dark Skies events at the Arboretum and Castle Howard; providing a planetarium for the February Junior Ranger Club event.
  - Achieving volunteer assistance with 13 projects or tasks, worth at least 179 days (£10,500 at SDF volunteering rates). 148 days were spent on site management tasks; 10 days on Junior Ranger Club, shows, etc; and 21 days on Turtle Dove surveying.

## 14.0 MONITORING

- 14.1 Achievements this year included:
  - Re-evaluating how to assess site condition, as part of the Management Plan review process. It was decided to retain this as an Objective, as new methodologies are emerging and these could help us to develop a robust methodology.

# 15.0 NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR AONBs

- 15.1 Achievements this year included:
  - Inputting to NAAONB discussions on Brexit issues, the Agriculture Bill, Environment Bill and Glover Review of Protected Landscapes (including hosting a Review Panel visit).
  - Participating in peer-to-peer and on-line collaborative working initiatives, to share and receive knowledge around the AONB Network, including attending Lead Officers' meetings (x2).
  - Attending the national AONB Forum in Canterbury.
  - Attending 2 x Northern AONBs Group meetings, including hosting the October event.
  - Attending the NAAONB Chairmens' seminar and AGM event.
  - Participating in specific meetings with Defra, as part of a small AONB Network Working Group, on Performance Metrics.

# 16.0 MANAGEMENT PLAN

- Reviewing and updating the AONB Management Plan text.
- Sending the draft text round electronically to 7 Topic Groups, to seek initial comments.
- Reviewing and updating the 'State of the AONB' report.
- Reviewing and updating the SEA and Habitats Regulations Assessments.
- Carrying out public consultation on the draft revised AONB Management Plan.
- Evaluating responses and incorporating these into the final Management Plan as appropriate.
- Providing the final Management Plan text to the Local Authorities for Adoption.
- Sending the Adopted Management Plan text to Defra and publishing all the documents on the AONB website.

# 17.0 RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the achievements against Targets for 2018/19 be noted.

## AONB BUSINESS PLAN AND ACTION PROGRAMME 2019/20

#### 1.0 PURPOSE OF REPORT

1.1 To agree details of proposed activity to implement the AONB Management Plan during 2019/20.

#### 2.0 INTRODUCTION

- 2.1 The AONB Management Plan contains a detailed Action Programme that lists each Objective and Action and identifies a suggested lead agency and partner organisations for implementation.
- 2.2 In addition to setting targets for 2019/20 this report also details some of the mechanisms for achieving the proposed targets, as well as indications of some of the individual projects that may be implemented.
- 2.3 The Action Programme and Targets for 2019/20, together with an indicative timetabling of tasks, has been circulated to Members by email.

#### 3.0 NATURAL CAPITAL & ECOSYSTEM SERVICES

- 3.1 Principal activities for the year include:
  - Participating in the NE/NAAONB programme of webinars and workshops, to learn more about the resources and support available.
  - Using the knowledge gained from the workshops and webinars to begin developing an 'opportunity map' showing areas where land management might be altered to help with biodiversity recovery of climate change adaptation.
  - Inputting to the design of the new Environmental Land Management System where appropriate.

## 4.0 NATURAL ENVIRONMENT

- 4.1 The proposed budget for landscape and biodiversity works is £27,500, although there would also be further additional funds available from Reserves if necessary. Projects to be funded include:
  - Hedge restoration schemes (subject to integration with grants available from the Countryside Stewardship Scheme).
  - Continuing control of Himalayan balsam along Wath Beck and at Jeffry Bog, Fairy Dell and Mugdale & Barker Woods SINCs. This is a particularly suitable task for the AONB Volunteers.
  - Grant funding for community wildlife projects in Crayke village and at Autism Plus at Gilling.
  - Notifying the landowners of the newly identified Local Geological Sites and then carrying out management works to clear obscuring vegetation.
  - A financial contribution to the delivery of the Ryevitalise project, should Stage 2 approval be confirmed.
  - Continuing financial contributions to the partnerships concentrating on turtle doves and cornfield flowers.

- 4.2 Other activities for the year include:
  - Participating via the NAAONB in work to develop and possibly pilot new models for supporting rural conservation work post-Brexit.
  - Supporting the survey of turtle doves being conducted in the AONB in Spring 2019.
  - Continuing to work with Ryedale DC, Scarborough BC and Hambleton DC in a Biodiversity Action Partnership for the joint area.
  - Arranging for the Special Interest Road Verges dataset to be uploaded to the National Street Gazetteer.
  - Continuing our programmes of Exmoor pony grazing, SINC management and Special Interest Road Verge management.
  - Visiting a number of important grassland sites that we haven't seen for a number of years, to assess their current condition and any management work needed.
  - Carrying out targeted control of Himalayan balsam, rhododendron and bracken on various SINC and other sites.
  - Promoting the Countryside Stewardship Scheme to farmers and land managers and identifying new opportunities and methods for assisting them with conservation works.
  - Continuing our participation in the River Derwent and particularly River Rye partnerships.
  - Continuing to participate in the North Yorkshire & York Local Nature Partnership (LNP).
  - Responding to planning applications potentially affecting important wildlife sites, as appropriate.

# 5.0 HISTORIC ENVIRONMENT

- 5.1 The proposed budget for works to conserve and enhance historic environment features is currently £15,500, although there would also be further additional funds available from Reserves if necessary. Potential projects to be funded include:
  - Carrying out management works on Scheduled Monuments. This may take more or less of the budget, which may also be increased from its current proposed level dependent upon the amount of work taken forward in this last full year of the Monument Management Scheme.
  - Repairs to Listed Buildings at Risk at Coulton and Wiganthorpe.
  - Continuing our programme of village name sign restoration by restoring signs along the B1363 at Gilling and Grimstone.
  - Continuing our programme of traditional direction sign restoration by restoring fingerposts in the Oulston area.
- 5.2 Other activities for the year include:
  - Delivering the fifth year of the Monument Management Scheme, funded by Historic England, utilising volunteers wherever possible but also engaging contractors and external assistance in order to maximise draw-down of Historic England grant. Work will include bracken crushing and scrub clearance.
  - Re-visiting lime kiln sites at Ness, Hovingham and Scackleton to assess their current condition and current condition and any management work needed.
  - Participating via the NAAONB in work to develop new models for supporting rural conservation work post-Brexit.
  - Promoting the Countryside Stewardship Scheme to farmers and land managers and identifying new opportunities and methods for assisting them with conservation works.
  - Responding to planning applications potentially affecting important heritage sites, as appropriate.

# 6.0 LOCAL COMMUNITIES

- 6.1 The budget for small-scale works in local villages is included within the £17,000 earmarked for projects supporting Sustainable Development and the Rural Economy. Potential projects to be funded include:
  - Wildlife interpretation boards at Slingsby Church.
  - Equipment for the kitchen extension at Oswaldkirk village hall.
  - Recording and communications equipment for the Helmsley Mobile Rural Watch Scheme.
  - Delivery of sustainability sessions and the construction of a bike shelter out of recycled materials at Amotherby School.
  - A community wildlife project in Crayke.
- 6.2 Other activities for the year include:
  - Continued participation in the Ryedale Ward mapping/planning project, and rolling this out to further Wards if applicable.
  - Continued liaison with the principal organisations involved in community work in the AONB, via the regular Community Development Officers' meetings.
  - Input to the Derwent Villages Natural Flood Management Project, to reduce flooding impact on Gilling and Hovingham villages.

# 7.0 AGRICULTURE

- 7.1 The proposed combined budget for both landscape and biodiversity works is £27,500, although there would also be further additional funds available from Reserves if necessary. See paragraph 4.1 above for current project ideas.
- 7.2 Other activities for the year include:
  - Participating via the NAAONB in work to develop new models for agricultural and rural support post-Brexit.
  - Continuing dialogue with the North York Moors National Park Authority on potential joint working opportunities, e.g. Farmer Clusters, environmental land management scheme design & delivery, etc.
  - Promoting the Countryside Stewardship Scheme to farmers and land managers and identifying new opportunities and methods for assisting them with conservation works. Up to 25 free half-day advice packages to be provided to farmers and land managers.
  - Responding to consultations and requests for advice, as appropriate.

# 8.0 FORESTRY AND WOODLAND

- 8.1 Principal activities for the year include:
  - Promoting the Countryside Stewardship Scheme to farmers and land managers and identifying new opportunities and methods for assisting them with conservation works.
  - Participating via the NAAONB in work to develop new models for supporting forestry and woodland management post-Brexit.
  - Monitoring the incidence of Ash Dieback Disease and other plant health issues.
  - Continuing participation in the North York Moors Native Woodland Partnership.
  - Continuing to provide advice and, where appropriate, financial assistance to woodland managers.
  - Responding to consultations and requests for advice, as appropriate.

# 9.0 DEVELOPMENT & THE RURAL ECONOMY

- 9.1 Principal activities for the year include:
  - Monitoring and inputting as necessary to national policy consultations received by the NAAONB.
  - Responding to consultations received from the Local Planning Authorities and other bodies on development proposals. The amount of work arising from planning consultations is impossible to predict, as our input is entirely reactive, but this is an important area of work and is a high priority.
  - Inputting to the continuing development of the Ryedale and Hambleton Local Plan Strategies, as applicable.
  - Inputting to the continuing development of the North Yorkshire Minerals & Waste Joint Plan, as applicable.
  - Continuing liaison with Northern Powergrid on overhead electricity cable undergrounding, to ensure continued sustained progress during the RIIO-ED1 period. Villages/schemes where work should start in 2019/20 are Oswaldkirk and Grimstone Top.
  - Monitoring the progress of activity relating to hydraulic fracturing, both at Kirby Misperton and in the southern half of the AONB in relation to potential seismic surveying.
  - Continuing to take opportunities to support jobs, skills and sustainable economic growth locally, as part of LEADER and YNY&ER LEP initiatives as applicable, in particular the GROW Yorkshire initiative.

# 10.0 ROADS, TRANSPORT AND TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT

- 10.1 Principal activities for the year include:
  - Responding to consultations received from the Highway Authority on works within the carriageway that might have biodiversity, historic environment or landscape implications.
  - Arranging for the Special Interest Road Verges and traditional direction signs datasets to be uploaded to the National Street Gazetteer.
  - Progressing the restoration of one traditional direction sign.
  - Monitoring progress of initiatives to dual the remaining section of the A64 within the AONB.

# 11.0 RECREATION, ACCESS AND TOURISM

- 11.1 The budget for recreation and access works is included within the £17,000 earmarked for projects supporting Sustainable Development and the Rural Economy.
- 11.2 Principal activities for the year include:
  - Continuing to work in partnership with the other Protected Landscapes in North Yorkshire to deliver projects that access Local Enterprise Partnership funding for recreational/tourism projects, including input to the Destination Partnerships project.
  - Continuing work with Autism Plus at Gilling, to enable students to interact with the natural environment in the horticulture and wildlife areas of the site. Also exploring options for Autism Plus students to work off-site with AONB and National Park Volunteers and Moorswork.
  - Continued delivery of a joint project with NYCC Countryside Access Service and the NYMNPA Modern Apprentices Team to blitz path furniture repairs in targeted Parishes.
  - Recording destination/distance information for all new roadside fingerposts due to be erected as part of the third phase of sign replacements in 2019.

- Using volunteers to record destination/distance information for all fingerposts specifically mentioned in AONB self-guided route leaflets, to assist with subsequent future maintenance.
- Analysis of the Public Rights of Way route creation/diversion package proposed for Castle Howard, to identify individual elements that might be funded fully by NYCC/AONB. Routes at Slingsby Quarry and on the Centenary Way at Wath Wood are likely to be high priorities.
- Continuing to maintain selected informal car parking areas, control litter at 'hotspots' and report fly-tipping incidents.

# 12.0 AWARENESS & PROMOTION

- 12.1 The budget for awareness and promotion work is included within the £17,000 earmarked for projects supporting Sustainable Development and the Rural Economy.
- 12.2 Principal activities for the year include:
  - Ensuring that the gateway signs are maintained and that outlets are supplied with copies of our leaflets when requested.
  - Publishing our 2018/19 Annual Report and AONB News 2019.
  - Maintaining our website, attending Ryedale Show and distributing information/ promoting the AONB via Twitter.
  - Holding at least 3 Junior Ranger Club days, using mechanisms for delivery that maintain standards but minimise the input required from AONB Unit staff.
  - Incorporating new education activities within the AONB into the Ryevitalise Project, should Stage 2 approval be confirmed.

## 13.0 IMPLEMENTATION

- 13.1 Principal initiatives this year include:
  - Participating in work needed to promote the importance of AONB management and ensure the continuation/maximisation of grant support from Defra, in particular via the Glover Review of Protected Landscapes.
  - Participating via the NAAONB in work to develop new models for agricultural, conservation and rural support post-Brexit.
  - Taking in-year opportunities where appropriate to obtain small amounts of grant support for specific projects.
  - Delivering the fifth year of the Monument Management Scheme, funded by Historic England.
  - Continuing our participation in the River Derwent and particularly River Rye partnerships. Also contributing to the partnerships concentrating on turtle doves and cornfield flowers.
  - Continuing to work in partnership with the other Protected Landscapes in North Yorkshire to deliver projects that access Local Enterprise Partnership funding for recreational/tourism projects, including input to the Destination Partnerships project.
  - Utilising Reserves appropriately, to supplement the annual projects budget and maintain an AONB Unit resource commensurate with future work priorities and income.

• Continuing to take opportunities to support jobs, skills and sustainable economic growth locally, as part of LEADER and YNY&ER LEP initiatives as applicable, in particular the GROW Yorkshire initiative.

• Continuing participation in the North York Moors Native Woodland Partnership, to make best use of opportunities presented in the Countryside Stewardship Scheme, LEADER Local Development Strategy, etc.

- Using volunteers to help deliver AONB Management Plan Objectives wherever possible and appropriate.
- Keeping delivery mechanisms under review and making changes/improvements where applicable.

## 14.0 MONITORING

- 14.1 Principal activities for the year include:
  - Using new Natural England methodologies on favourable conservation status to assess the condition of non-designated biodiversity Priority Sites.
  - Using the new NAAONB/Defra Key Performance Indicators to record work completed by the AONB Team.

## 15.0 AONB MANAGEMENT PLAN

- 15.1 Activity planned for this year, as the final steps in the full review of the Management Plan, involves:
  - Updating the State of the AONB Report to include work carried out or funded by the JAC in 2018/19.
  - Publishing the full 'designed' version of the Management Plan and associated documents.

## 16.0 NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR AONBs

- 16.1 Principal activities for the year include:
  - Continuing to represent the conservation interests of the Howardian Hills AONB and participating in peer-to-peer learning projects, sharing of information, etc.
  - Attending seminars, Northern Group meetings, AONB technical events, etc.

## 17.0 RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Targets for 2019/20, as contained in the separately circulated Action Programme, be approved.

#### AONB MANAGEMENT PLAN REVIEW

#### 1.0 PURPOSE OF REPORT

1.1 To receive details of the progress of the AONB Management Plan review since the last meeting of the JAC, and the next steps.

#### 2.0 PROGRESS TO DATE

- 2.1 In accordance with the revised Programme attached as Appendix 1, and following discussion at the JAC, the full table of comments and proposed changes to the draft Plan was circulated to the JAC and Core Partners Group for final observations.
- 2.2 The full schedule was sent to Natural England, as required by their guidance, in early December. No further comments were received on the proposals.
- 2.3 The revisions were incorporated into the Plan during late December and early January, and the final Plan text was sent to the JAC Chairman for final approval.
- 2.4 The Plan was sent to the three constituent Local Authorities on 18<sup>th</sup> January, to enable them to take it through their respective Committee procedures for formal adoption.
- 2.5 On 29<sup>th</sup> March the text-only version of the revised Plan, together with the supporting documents, was published on the AONB website. A notification email was sent to Defra and the three Local Authorities.

#### 3.0 NEXT STEPS

- 3.1 The formal designed versions of the Management Plan and accompanying documents will be produced between May and August, and then posted to the AONB website. A very limited number of printed copies (c.50) will be produced, for the JAC and AONB Team to use on a day-to-day basis.
- 3.2 The State of the AONB Report will be updated to include the work carried out by the JAC during 2018/19, so that it becomes a full record of work completed during the previous Management Plan period.

#### 4.0 **RECOMMENDATION**

That the progress and next steps detailed above be noted for information.

# 2019 – 2024 AONB MANAGEMENT PLAN REVIEW TIMETABLE

Date	Action	Who
October 2017	Timetable and scoping for new Plan	AONB Manager & Core Partners Group
November 2017	Provisional timetable approved	JAC
November 2017	Notice to Review letter issued to Local Authorities	AONB Manager
April 2018	Book timeslot with Print Unit for design and production of Consultation Draft	AONB Manager
April/May 2018	Revision of Key Facts, General Principles, Objectives and Actions for each Topic section	AONB Manager
April/May 2018	Initial Scoping Review of SEA and Habitats Regulations Assessments	NYCC
By 12 <sup>th</sup> June 2018	Revised Topic Sections sent to Topic Groups for initial comments (by 29 <sup>th</sup> June). Update Evidence Base statistics	AONB Manager AONB Team
9 <sup>th</sup> – 20 <sup>th</sup> July 2018	Topic Group meetings held, as necessary; refining of SEA and Habitats Regulations Assessments	AONB Manager; NYCC
27 <sup>th</sup> July 2018	Draft Plan chapters circulated to JAC and Topic Groups for final pre-consultation comments	AONB Manager
August 2018	Final revision of Draft Plan, following feedback	AONB Manager
10 <sup>th</sup> August 2018	Text to County Print for design/artwork	AONB Manager
7 <sup>th</sup> September	Draft Plan and Local Sites document sent to print	AONB Manager
28 <sup>th</sup> September	Finalising of SEA and Habitats Regulations Assessments and State of the AONB Report. Preparation of the Local Sites map	AONB Manager
1 <sup>st</sup> October – 11 <sup>th</sup> November 2018	Formal public and stakeholder consultation	JAC, Local Authorities, partner organisations
October/November	Compilation and assessment of comments received from consultees	AONB Manager + AONB Officer
22 <sup>nd</sup> November 2018	Presentation of Issues Summary table (with draft indicative responses) and full table of comments received to JAC meeting	AONB Manager
7 <sup>th</sup> December 2018	Circulation of full table of comments received and proposed Plan amendments to Core Partners Group and JAC (by email)	AONB Manager
14 <sup>th</sup> December 2018	Send draft Plan and Schedule of proposed changes to Natural England	AONB Manager

Late December 2018 /early January 2019	Revision of final Plan	AONB Manager
16 <sup>th</sup> January 2019	Approval of final Management Plan	JAC Chairman
18 <sup>th</sup> January	Circulation of Final Management Plan text to constituent Local Authorities	AONB Manager
February & March 2019	Adoption of new Plan by constituent Local Authorities	NYCC/HDC/RDC
31 <sup>st</sup> March 2019	Deadline for Plan to be adopted by constituent Local Authorities and sent to Defra	NYCC/HDC/RDC; AONB Manager
April – August 2019	Final formatting, artwork, printing and distribution of Management Plan documents/weblinks	AONB Manager

# ITEM 10 Protected Landscapes Review visit

Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> March 2019 Howardian Hills AONB, North Yorkshire

# Programme

In car with Sarah Mukherjee: Paul Jackson (AONB Manager); Cllr Robert Wainwright (JAC Chairman); Liz Bassindale (AONB Officer)

10:08am	<ul> <li>Arrive at Malton Station</li> <li>A64</li> <li>Kirkham/Westow (village name signs, Priory, hedge planting)</li> <li>Foston crossroads (gateway signs)</li> <li>PRoW signs &amp; furniture (roadside signs, NYMNP Apprentices)</li> <li>Castle Howard landscape (HLS money for monument restoration)</li> <li>Arboretum (JRC, Dark Skies, Tramper, composting loos)</li> </ul>
10:45am	<ul> <li>Arrive at Castle Howard</li> <li>Discussion with Nick Cooke; Forester, Castle Howard Estate <ul> <li>Management principles for the woodland component of the estate</li> <li>Does being in the AONB create any problems for you?</li> <li>Does being in the AONB bring any advantages or opportunities?</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
11:25am	Depart Castle Howard
	<ul> <li>Drive through AONB via Terrington <ul> <li>Restoration of Avenue hedges</li> <li>Countryside Stewardship (Ganthorpe)</li> <li>Heritage roadsigns</li> <li>Village Hall (outdoor classroom, wildlife board, walkers' toilet)</li> <li>O/h line undergrounding</li> <li>Development management (house alterations)</li> <li>Development management (new farm buildings)</li> <li>Wiganthorpe Park (wall &amp; tree belt restoration)</li> <li>South Wood (Turtle Doves survey)</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
11:45am	<ul> <li>Arrive at Hovingham</li> <li>Discussion with Mark Wilson; tenant farmer, Worsley Arms Farm</li> <li>Farming system</li> <li>Countryside Stewardship/ELS</li> <li>Does being in the AONB create any problems for you?</li> <li>Does being in the AONB bring any advantages or opportunities?</li> </ul>

12:10am	<ul> <li>Discussion with Maggie Farey (Community First Yorkshire); Caroline</li> <li>Davis and Ann Chapman (Hovingham Village Action Group)</li> <li>Community initiatives in Hovingham</li> <li>Does being in the AONB create any problems for you?</li> <li>Does being in the AONB bring any advantages or opportunities?</li> </ul>	
12:30pm	<ul> <li>Hovingham Village Hall</li> <li>Five x 5 minute slots: <ul> <li>North Yorkshire County Council (Host Authority)</li> <li>Ryedale &amp; Hambleton District Councils (LPAs)</li> <li>David Nunns (Ramblers)</li> <li>Sir William Worsley (JAC Vice-Chairman, CLA rep)</li> <li>Briony Fox (Director of Conservation, North York Moors National Park Authority)</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	
1:00pm	Networking lunch at Hovingham Village Hall with all participants	
1:30pm	Q&A opportunity for Sarah, with all participants	
1:45pm	Depart Hovingham <ul> <li>Via Oswaldkirk</li> <li>Ryevitalise</li> <li>Rural Watch</li> <li>NYMNP landscape relationship</li> </ul>	
2:00pm	Arrive at Autism Plus, Gilling East	
2:25pm	Depart Autism Plus	
	<ul> <li>Drive through and out of AONB via Brandsby</li> <li>NFM, Gilling village &amp; Burnt Gill</li> <li>Gilling Castle Park – Avenue restoration,</li> <li>MMS</li> </ul>	
3:15pm	Arrive York Station	



## NAAONB UPDATE

#### 1.0 PURPOSE OF REPORT

1.1 To receive details of the work areas currently being covered by the NAAONB team.

#### 2.0 CURRENT ISSUES

- 2.1 Appendix 1 shows the areas of work that the NAAONB is currently concentrating on. Members will appreciate that a large number of significant Government initiatives are on-going at the current time. The attached diagram shows these and the AONB Manager will provide the latest situation via an oral update at the meeting.
- 2.2 The left hand side of the table shows the Government initiatives that are currently active, with the central column showing the specific items of work that AONBs are contributing to each of these. Many of these work items apply to more than one policy area, for example comments and asks input to the Glover Review would (if taken up and subsequently implemented by Government) be delivered via some of the other mechanisms shown (e.g. the Environment Bill).
- 2.3 The right hand column shows the internal areas of work that the NAAONB is working on the 'Taking the Lead' programme building future organisational resilience and being delivered with Heritage Lottery Funding; an internal review of the NAAONB's governance structure; and plans for events to mark the 70<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the 1949 National Parks & Access to the Countryside Act, which brought AONBs into existence.

## 3.0 RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the work being carried out by the NAAONB, with assistance from AONB Teams including the Howardian Hills Team, be noted for information.

