

North York Moors National Park Authority

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Andy Wilson
Chief Executive

Consultees on North York Moors National Park
Management Plan 2012-2027

Your ref:

Our ref:

Date: 14 June 2016

Dear Consultee

The North York Moors National Park Management Plan 2012 - 2027

The National Park Management Plan for the North York Moors was substantially reviewed in 2011 and a new Plan – “A Wider View” was adopted by the Authority in November 2012. This can be viewed on our website at: <http://www.northyorkmoors.org.uk/shared-publications/Final-Plan-26.11.12.pdf>

The Management Plan sets out the vision and objectives for the future management of the National Park and how National Park purposes will be delivered over the period it covers.

Your input to the development of the Plan has been important as it is a Plan for the Park and provides a framework for the work and activities of all organisations operating in or having an interest in the North York Moors. The Plan has a particular focus on the benefits that the National Park provides for people in addition to its value as an outstanding national environmental asset, such as food production and on the industries that sustain the economy and landscape of the area, in particular farming and tourism, whilst safeguarding the Park’s special qualities.

Although covering a 15 year period, National Park Management Plans should be “reviewed” on a five yearly basis to take account of any changes in circumstances, pressures or opportunities facing the National Park, and as it is approaching its fifth year since adoption this autumn we are undertaking a “light touch refresh” of the Plan this year.

This approach was agreed by Members at the National Park Authority meeting in March this year subject to comments from stakeholders. Our resources are being focused on an immediate full review of our Business Plan which will cover our detailed work programmes over the next three years. We are also starting work on a new Local Plan for the National Park, which will provide the framework for our planning decisions over the next 15 years. We are therefore starting an important period of consultation this year and I am contacting you to ask for any comments you may have on the current Management Plan. This has set a framework for our strategic decision making since its adoption and our view is that it is very much still fit for purpose due to its relatively recent status, its comprehensive and innovative

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nature and the widespread support and contributions it received from partner organisations during its preparation.

In seeking any comments you have it would be helpful if you could consider the following:

- Which areas of the Plan, if any, have not been progressed?
- Are there any significant gaps or areas that the Plan does not cover?
- Can you highlight areas where you wish to focus your joint working with us over the next three years?

Any other comments you may have on the Plan would of course be helpful to the review. We encourage you to respond in an electronic format if at all possible, and email responses should be sent to policy@northyorkmoors.org.uk by **Friday August 19th**.

If you have any queries please email policy@northyorkmoors.org.uk or contact the Policy Team on 01439 770657 or me on 01439 772585. I look forward to receiving your comments in due course.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Paul Fellows". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

Paul Fellows
Head of Strategic Policy