

North York Moors National Park Authority

26 June 2017

Parish Forum Update

1. Purpose of the Report

- 1.1 To inform Members of the issues and actions arising from the last round of Parish Forum meetings and to enable them to raise any issues arising from the Forums.

2. Issues and Actions Arising

- 2.1 A list of main issues raised at the last round of Parish Forum meetings is attached at **Appendix 1**.
- 2.2 The issues raised will be used to help inform Members and Officers about local Priorities and concerns which will be used in Customer Service Excellence and service delivery decisions.

3. Financial and Staffing Implications

- 3.1 There are no financial or staffing implications.

4. Contribution to National Park Management Plan

- 4.1 Communities will be better able to influence the delivery of services and decisions affecting the National Park under policy C1 of the National Park Management Plan where local views will be sought in developing policies, priorities and activities in the National Park.

5. Legal Implications

- 5.1 There are no legal implications.

6. Recommendation

- 6.1 That the issues raised at Parish Forums be noted.

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Background documents to this report

File Ref.

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| 1. Northern Parish Forum File | 1031/6 |
| 2. Coastal Parish Forum File | 1031/7 |
| 3. Western Parish Forum File | 1031/8 |
| 4. Southern Parish Forum File | 1031/9 |

Issues raised at the Coastal, Western, Northern and Southern Parish Forum Meetings.

All Parish Forums considered the following items:

- a) An update was read out regarding the BT consultation on removal of phone boxes – it is understood that where a request to retain the kiosks has been received by BT, the kiosk will be retained
- b) North Yorkshire Police Rural Task Force attended and presented on all but the Coastal Forum

1. Coastal Area Parish Forum

- A presentation by Cleveland Potash was given on the proposed planning application
- JBA Consulting (on behalf of Scarborough Borough Council) gave a presentation on the Runswick Bay Coastal Protection Scheme
- Groundwork gave a presentation on the proposed bid to HLF for a North Yorkshire Cliffs Landscape Partnership Scheme
- Verbal updates were read out on Potash/Fracking and the Cindertrack

2. Western Area Parish Forum

- The Convenor updated the Forum that following on from the last meetings in October where Parish Caretakers were discussed, 3 new applications have been received and approved. Existing caretakers continue to be funded.
- Ingleby Greenhow PC outlined their experience with BT who had not consulted on the installation of overhead lines in their area. The NYMNPA had managed to persuade BT to underground lines within the National Park. Other Parishes should be aware that they should attempt to discuss with BT at an early stage regarding any installations, if they can. The Forum agreed that a letter should be sent to NYnet and NYCC requesting that adequate consultation take place with parishes/residents/National Park prior to any work being carried out.
- Anne-Louise Orange introduced herself as the new Ryevitalise Project Manager
- Simon Bassindale updated on the provision of a disabled access bridge at Cod Beck Reservoir to provide an accessible circular route. Yorkshire Water is applying for grant funding for materials and hopefully the new bridge will be erected this year with the help of National Park apprentices and rangers.
- Affordable housing in Osmotherley was discussed with concern over empty properties (private and affordable), second homes/holiday lets.
- The Forum was informed about funds available from National Grid Landscape Enhancement Initiative.

3. Northern Area Parish Forum

- Loss of services in rural areas is being highlighted in the May edition of the Moors Messenger
- A handout summary on the Housing White Paper was available at the meeting
- A query from Danby Group (not present at the meeting) on responsibility to repair gates/cattle grids was answered by a written response from NYCC Highways and Karl Gerhardsen for NYMNPA and is reported fully in the notes of the meeting
- A presentation by Cleveland Potash was given on the proposed planning application
- A discussion held on the provision of disabled accessible buses in the Esk Valley resulted in a suggestion that Egton Parish Council contact their NYCC representative who will put the case forward before the next tender for bus service goes out.
- This Forum was very poorly attended and it was agreed that a letter be circulated to Parishes to ascertain reasons for this, or suggestions for future meetings to attract more attendees.

4. **Southern Area Parish Forum**

- A full discussion on mobile/broadband provision in rural areas was held and it was confirmed that the Authority is actively monitoring this and regular updates would be provided. The Home Office proposal to provide emergency service masts was also discussed. The Forum was advised that a meeting was imminent with the Home Office and an update will be given. **NB** The meeting has now taken place and the Home Office are to attend the Joint Parish Forum on 26 July at Hutton le Hole Village Hall to give an update
- The Community Team from Ryedale District Council attended and gave a brief outline of their role and contact details are provided in the notes of the meeting