

North York Moors National Park Authority

16 December 2019

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.
- 2.3 Parish Members are asked that the content of their updates at future meetings should be of their own choosing and style.

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.
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:

- i. Nigel Rylance and Alan Eves gave a presentation on Forest Design Planning Principles and Public Consultation with particular reference to the Guisborough Design Plan currently out to consultation.
- ii. The Rangers' grants for Village Improvement Schemes were highlighted at each Forum.
- iii. The final report on the Protected Landscapes Review has now been published.

1. Coastal Area Parish Forum

- An illustrated presentation was given by Becca Simpson and Lucy Webster on the work of the apprentices which was well received by the Forum.
- Bernie McLinden gave an illustrated talk on the comprehensive work of the Coastal Ranger team, apprentices and volunteers.
- A cinder track update was given.
- In response to a question Alan Eves kindly showed short videos of the Beavers in Cropton Forest.

2. Western Area Parish Forum

- Alan Millar (Rural Community Energy Fund Project Officer) introduced the Rural Communities Energy Fund for the scoping of renewable energy projects in rural areas administered through the LEP.
- Theft of cast iron village signs appearing for sale in antique markets was highlighted.
- Natural England and the granting of camping or touring caravanning exemption certificate were discussed particularly in relation to the loopholes that certain organisations are taking advantage of. The Authority is to visit the specific site at Ingleby Greenhow. The matter is being looked at nationally and it is being raised with the Minister.
- BT has again installed overhead poles/wires with no consultation with the community. It was agreed that a further letter be sent to NYnet.

3. Northern Area Parish Forum

- Bryan Orange, North Yorkshire Moors Railway, gave a presentation on the brief history of the Railway; details of the successful National Lottery Heritage Fund Bid and the collaboration with the North York Moors NPA employing/training 6 apprentices.
- Tom Mutton gave a presentation of stunning photographs showing the progress made on the Land of Iron project.

4. Southern Area Parish Forum

- Bryan Orange, North Yorkshire Moors Railway, gave a presentation on the brief history of the Railway; details of the successful National Lottery Heritage Fund Bid and the collaboration with the North York Moors NPA employing/training 6 apprentices.
- A discussion was held on the permitted development proposals on 5G and extension of mobile coverage.
- The car park foot bridge at Thornton le Dale is being considered for replacement using a standard design. The car bridge railings are being replaced with timber.
- The Forum was advised of a further BT consultation on removal of little used telephone kiosks. The Authority is coordinating responses for all except for Ryedale.
- Alan Eves kindly showed short videos of the Beavers in Cropton Forest.
- It was noted that many village cast iron signs are being stolen and sold in antiques markets.
- A general discussion on Woodsmith Mine funding issues was held, which have been widely publicised in the media. The Forum was also notified of the impending receipt of the new Boulby mine planning application.