

North York Moors National Park Authority

30 September 2019

Joint Parish Forum Update

1. Purpose of the Report

- 1.1 To inform Members of the issues and actions arising from the Joint Parish Forum meeting held on 23 July 2019 and to enable them to raise any issues arising from the Forum.

2. Issues and Actions Arising

- 2.1 The 2019 Joint Parish Forum was well attended on an extremely warm evening. A copy of the notes/report made of the Joint Parish Forum meeting 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 report from the Joint Parish Forum 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 |
| 5. Joint Parish Forum File | 1031/10 |

Joint Parish Forum
Notes/report of Meeting held at The Moors National Park Centre, Danby
Tuesday, 23 July 2019

1. Following a tour of the Land of Iron Exhibition and the Inspired by...Gallery, Mr Geoff Banner as Chair of the Northern Area Parish Forum, welcomed everyone to the meeting and introduced the speakers.
2. The following illustrated presentations were made:
 - a) **Heritage Jackpot for the North York Moors** – David Renwick (Area Director, North Of England National Lottery Heritage Fund)
 - b) **Monuments for the Future** – Jo Collins (Volunteers and Community Officer)
 - c) **Environmental Enhancements** – Briony Fox (Director of Conservation and Polyhalite Projects)

Questions and discussions followed.

Copies of all the presentations are available to view on the website:

<https://www.northyorkmoors.org.uk/about-us/meetings-and-agendas/parish-forums>

3. **National Park Update** by Andy Wilson, Chief Executive
 - i. The Woodsmith Mine development is progressing and Sirius Minerals are making huge efforts to minimise the impact of the development by partially burying much of the operating mechanisms to lessen visibility, reduce noise and pollution.
 - ii. Farming for the Future – the Authority is in contact with Defra and MPs on the Environmental Land Management Scheme to ensure the correct support for National Park farmers.
 - iii. The Local Plan has been approved by Members and has been submitted to the Inspector. The new Minerals Plan has been delayed but is progressing.
 - iv. The Parish Members were introduced to the Forum and thanks were given to previous Parish Members Ted Sanderson and Les Atkinson for their highly valued input.
 - v. The Protected Landscapes (Glover) Review interim report has mentioned consideration of boundary changes – the North York Moors National Park was larger when it was originally designated. Mentioned also are affordable housing, visitors and a possible National Landscape Service (in other countries, National Parks are run by Government bodies). The Forum discussed the effectiveness of a joint letter to the Review Team to indicate that the introduction of such a service would not be preferable to the current system as being able to contact local officers direct was considered an advantage and works well. The decision was made that if individuals/parishes wished to write to the Review Team then they could do so.
4. Mr Geoff Banner thanked the speakers and everyone for attending the meeting.