

Appendix G - Sustainability Appraisals for each Objective

Objective 1 - The National Park should play a significant part in achieving the regional ambition of emitting net zero carbon emissions by 2034.

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Recommendations, including mitigation:

No changes recommended.

Key	Positive impact	X No direct link	Neutral link	Uncertain impacts	Negative impacts	Significant Negative Impact
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SA Objective	Prompts	Impact on Objective	Effects and Mitigation
E1- To maintain and enhance the quality and character of the landscape of the North York Moors, including the special qualities of remoteness and tranquillity	<p>Will the National Park landscape and special qualities be protected and enhanced?</p> <p>Will landscape character improve?</p> <p>Will tranquillity improve or deteriorate?</p>	Uncertain impacts	The Management Plan is a high level strategic plan and as such this (high level and aspirational) objective cannot be directly assessed. The Plan also does not spatially quantify the extent of land use change that may be required to respond to the climate change agenda. Additional tree planting may have localised effects of the appearance of landscapes, however the overall scale of change envisaged are likely to be small within the initial five year life of the management plan (see appraisal of Objective 2 for details). There should be little or no impact on remoteness and tranquillity. The effects are therefore uncertain.

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E2 - To protect water, soil and air quality, and reduce pollution, and improve efficiency of water use.	<p>Will the policy/ option have an adverse impact on Groundwater Source Protection Zones or cause discharge into a river?</p> <p>Will best and most versatile Agricultural Land be protected?</p> <p>Would the policy option result in the re-use and clean-up of contaminated land?</p> <p>Would the option lead to the worsening of air quality?</p>	Positive impact	It will be the individual actions stemming from this objective rather than the objective itself that will deliver this SA objective; however the Management Plan intends to put climate change 'up front' as a priority and actions that flow from it will improve air, soil and water quality. The objective will therefore have a positive impact – in particular through improving soil biomass (there is also a separate objective in the management plan on soil improvement). There may be air quality benefits arising from the move away from fossil fuel transport.
E3 - To reduce the causes of climate change and ensure future development is resilient to climate change, including reducing the impact of flooding and avoiding flood risk.	<p>Will the option/policy increase the resilience of habitats to climate change?</p> <p>Will the policy option/policy increase resilience to climate change risks such as lower water availability, increased subsidence or heatwaves?</p> <p>Will the option/policy increase surface or fluvial flooding or will development be vulnerable to flooding?</p> <p>Will greenhouse gasses be reduced?</p>	Positive impact	There is a very high degree of synergy between this objective and the appraisal objective. It is directly aimed at meeting SA objective E3.
E4 - To maintain and enhance conditions for biodiversity and avoid irreversible losses or damage to	Will the option/policy protect and enhance internationally and locally designated biodiversity/geodiversity sites? (including SPAs, SACs, Ramsar Sites, SSSIs, SINCs, LNRs and RIGs)	Positive impact	This appraisal objective is directly applicable to Objective 6 of the management plan. Moves to reduce carbon will involve tree planting, which may improve habitats at those locations. However it is highly likely that the quantity envisaged will be planted outside SSSI/SPA/SACs which are designated for their particular species – much of the SPA is moorland with little tree cover. The objective should encourage further use of net gain in new developments, although this will be primarily delivered through national legislation

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designated nature conservation sites protected species and geological assets.	<p>Will important habitats and species outside of protected sites be affected?</p> <p>Will the option/policy protect and enhance established tree cover or hedgerows which would be impossible to replace in the short to medium term?</p> <p>Will the objective help to deliver net gain?</p>		(The Environment Act) and the Local Plan. It is therefore considered that this objective will have a net positive effect.
E5 - To conserve and enhance the historic environment, heritage assets and their settings and to help facilitate opportunities for greater access to and understanding of the historic environment.	<p>Will historic features of interest (Conservation Areas, Listed Buildings, SAM, Areas of Archaeological importance and Registered Parks and Gardens) be protected?</p> <p>Will non-designated heritage assets be protected?</p> <p>Will historic character be enhanced?</p> <p>Will the option/policy lead to a greater understanding of the historic environment?</p>	Positive impact	The objective will likely encourage greater re-use and retrofitting of existing historic building stock hence has a positive influence on objective E5.
S1 - To foster and maintain vibrant local communities and encourage a sense of community and belonging.	Will the option/policy protect and enhance facilities that are important to local communities?	X No direct link	No direct link

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S2 To provide affordable, decent housing in accessible locations to meet the needs of local people, including the young.	Will affordable housing be supported by the option/policy? Will affordable housing increase in line with demand in accessible locations?	X No direct link	No direct link
S3 - To protect and enhance access to community facilities, leisure and recreation opportunities and access to the countryside.	Will the option/policy increase or decrease access to health/wellbeing and recreational facilities? Will the option/policy increase opportunities for access to the countryside?	X No direct link	No direct link
S4 - To make sure new development is easily accessible to essential services, to help reduce the need to travel and minimise the environmental impact of transport.	Will the option/policy result in shorter journeys to local services? Will the option/policy encourage development in locations where public transport is available? Will the policy encourage active travel such as walking/cycling on nearby PROW? Could the policy improve air quality by minimising the need to travel?	Positive impact	The objective will have a positive impact on SA objective S4 – it is likely to encourage low or zero carbon travel solutions such as public transport or cycling. It could also result in other changes such as more use of local food sources or providing outreach programmes to local groups to increase awareness and use of local opportunities for recreation, reducing travel and associated carbon Emissions.
EC1 - To strengthen and diversify the	Will the option/policy support local services and businesses?	Positive impact	The effect would be a positive one – there will be increasing jobs opportunities within the ‘green’ sector and changes to farming/land management funding and practice may also increase opportunities for new entrants, particularly for younger people.

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local economy by supporting a range of opportunities for employment and training particularly in sustainable locations.	<p>Will the option/policy create new jobs?</p> <p>Will the option/policy increase access to jobs?</p>		
EC2 - To support tourism and recreation industry by ensuring that development contributes to the local economy and provides opportunities for enjoying the Park's special qualities.	<p>Will new tourism proposals be supported by the option/policy?</p> <p>Will the option/policy support the retention of existing tourism related businesses?</p> <p>Will the option/policy support tourism businesses that provide a greater understanding of the special qualities of the National Park?</p>	Positive impact	Objectives elsewhere in the plan encourage 'regenerative tourism' and increasing interest in climate change may bring people into the National Park – the relationship between these objectives is therefore likely to be a positive one.

Conclusions

This draft objective will have only positive impacts on the sustainability objectives although there is some uncertainty over the longer term impact of measures required to help tackle climate change and the impact they will have on landscape.

Objective 2 - Capture and store carbon through creating at least 2,500 hectares of additional wooded habitat by 2032

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Recommendations, including mitigation:

No changes recommended.

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E1- To maintain and enhance the quality and character of the landscape of the North York Moors, including the special qualities of remoteness and tranquillity	<p>Will the National Park landscape and special qualities be protected and enhanced?</p> <p>Will landscape character improve?</p> <p>Will tranquillity improve or deteriorate?</p>	Uncertain impacts	The Plan does not spatially identify the extent of land use change that may be prompted by additional tree planting. Additional tree planting may have localised effects of the appearance of landscapes, however the overall scale of change envisaged are likely to be small – the plan anticipates around an addition 2,500 hectares of tree planting by 2032 and in practice the landscape impact of planting will be assessed, with trees planted in locations where there is no or minimal landscape impact. Tree planting should also not affect the remoteness of the setting. There should be little or no impact on tranquillity, however it is accepted that tranquillity is a perception and this may vary between people, with some finding woodland more enclosed or oppressive. Due to the lack of knowledge on spatial impact at this stage the effects are therefore uncertain.

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E2 - To protect water, soil and air quality, and reduce pollution, and improve efficiency of water use.	<p>Will the policy/ option have an adverse impact on Groundwater Source Protection Zones or cause discharge into a river?</p> <p>Will best and most versatile Agricultural Land be protected?</p> <p>Would the policy option result in the re-use and clean-up of contaminated land?</p> <p>Would the option lead to the worsening of air quality?</p>	Positive impact	The objective could have a positive impact in terms of fixing soil or contributing to natural flood defences by preventing large scale run off. There are unlikely to be any issues around loss of best and most versatile land given the quantum of planting envisaged and the relative low quality of agricultural land in the National Park.
E3 - To reduce the causes of climate change and ensure future development is resilient to climate change, including reducing the impact of flooding and avoiding flood risk.	<p>Will the option/policy increase the resilience of habitats to climate change?</p> <p>Will the policy option/policy increase resilience to climate change risks such as lower water availability, increased subsidence or heatwaves?</p> <p>Will the option/policy increase surface or fluvial flooding or will development be vulnerable to flooding?</p>	Positive impact	Planting of trees will provide an additional carbon sink and as such the relationship between these objectives is mutually reinforcing.

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	Will greenhouse gasses be reduced?		
E4 - To maintain and enhance conditions for biodiversity and avoid irreversible losses or damage to designated nature conservation sites protected species and geological assets.	<p>Will the option/policy protect and enhance internationally and locally designated biodiversity/geodiversity sites? (including SPAs, SACs, Ramsar Sites, SSSIs, SINC, LNRs and RIGs)</p> <p>Will important habitats and species outside of protected sites be affected?</p> <p>Will the option/policy protect and enhance established tree cover or hedgerows which would be impossible to replace in the short to medium term?</p> <p>Will the objective help to deliver net gain?</p>	Positive impact	Moves to reduce carbon will involve tree planting, which may improve habitats at those locations. It is also highly likely that the quantity envisaged will be planted outside SSSI/SPA/SACs which are designated for their particular species – much of the SPA is moorland with little tree cover. It is therefore considered that this objective will have a net positive effect.
E5 - To conserve and enhance the historic environment, heritage assets and their settings and to help facilitate opportunities for greater access to and	<p>Will historic features of interest (Conservation Areas, Listed Buildings, SAM, Areas of Archaeological importance and Registered Parks and Gardens) be protected?</p> <p>Will non-designated heritage assets be protected?</p> <p>Will historic character be enhanced?</p>	X No direct link	No direct link

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understanding of the historic environment.	Will the option/policy lead to a greater understanding of the historic environment?		
S1 - To foster and maintain vibrant local communities and encourage a sense of community and belonging.	Will the option/policy protect and enhance facilities that are important to local communities?	X No direct link	No direct link
S2 To provide affordable, decent housing in accessible locations to meet the needs of local people, including the young.	Will affordable housing be supported by the option/policy? Will affordable housing increase in line with demand in accessible locations?	X No direct link	No direct link
S3 - To protect and enhance access to community facilities, leisure and recreation opportunities and access to the countryside.	Will the option/policy increase or decrease access to health/wellbeing and recreational facilities? Will the option/policy increase opportunities for access to the countryside?	Positive impact	New woodland may offer an additional recreational resource hence the relationship between these objectives is mutually positive
S4 - To make sure new development is easily accessible	Will the option/policy result in shorter journeys to local services?	X No direct link	No direct link

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to essential services, to help reduce the need to travel and minimise the environmental impact of transport.	<p>Will the option/policy encourage development in locations where public transport is available?</p> <p>Will the policy encourage active travel such as walking/cycling on nearby PROW?</p> <p>Could the policy improve air quality by minimising the need to travel?</p>		
EC1 - To strengthen and diversify the local economy by supporting a range of opportunities for employment and training particularly in sustainable locations.	<p>Will the option/policy support local services and businesses?</p> <p>Will the option/policy create new jobs?</p> <p>Will the option/policy increase access to jobs?</p>	Positive impact	Additional woodland planting may generate some additional job opportunities. Overall whilst the effect may be small it is nonetheless positive.
EC2 - To support tourism and recreation industry by ensuring that development contributes to the local economy and	<p>Will new tourism proposals be supported by the option/policy?</p> <p>Will the option/policy support the retention of existing tourism related businesses?</p> <p>Will the option/policy support tourism businesses that provide a greater</p>	Positive impact	Additional woodland could provide a recreational resource. Overall whilst the effect may be small it is nonetheless positive.

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provides opportunities for enjoying the Park's special qualities.	understanding of the special qualities of the National Park?		

Conclusions

This draft objective will have only positive impacts on the sustainability objectives although there is some uncertainty over the longer term impact of measures required to help tackle climate change and the impact they will have on landscape.

Objective 3 - Place all degraded blanket bog and peat habitats in the National Park under active restoration by 2032

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E1- To maintain and enhance the quality and character of the landscape of the North York Moors, including the special qualities of remoteness and tranquillity	<p>Will the National Park landscape and special qualities be protected and enhanced?</p> <p>Will landscape character improve?</p> <p>Will tranquillity improve or deteriorate?</p>	X No direct link	Peat will be restored in situ and it is anticipated that there will be no change to landscape character, remoteness or tranquillity.

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E2 - To protect water, soil and air quality, and reduce pollution, and improve efficiency of water use.	<p>Will the policy/ option have an adverse impact on Groundwater Source Protection Zones or cause discharge into a river?</p> <p>Will best and most versatile Agricultural Land be protected?</p> <p>Would the policy option result in the re-use and clean-up of contaminated land?</p> <p>Would the option lead to the worsening of air quality?</p>	Positive impact	<p>This management plan objective will have a positive impact – peat is a form of soil and improving its health aligns with this objective. Managing soil and peat resources may have effects on water quality (including positive ones as it acts as a filter); however these remain uncertain as they are dependent on the location and management methods used. Overall this management plan objective will have a slight positive impact in terms of this SA objective.</p>
E3 - To reduce the causes of climate change and ensure future development is resilient to climate change, including reducing the impact of flooding and avoiding flood risk.	<p>Will the option/policy increase the resilience of habitats to climate change?</p> <p>Will the policy option/policy increase resilience to climate change risks such as lower water availability, increased subsidence or heatwaves?</p> <p>Will the option/policy increase surface or fluvial flooding or will development be vulnerable to flooding?</p> <p>Will greenhouse gasses be reduced?</p>	Positive impact	<p>This management plan objective is directly included in the Management Plan as Objective 1. Peat restoration has one of, if not the biggest impact in terms of reducing CO2 and methane emissions as it acts as a highly effective carbon sink. This SA objective will therefore be achieved if this aspect of the management plan is successfully delivered.</p>

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<p>E4 - To maintain and enhance conditions for biodiversity and avoid irreversible losses or damage to designated nature conservation sites protected species and geological assets.</p>	<p>Will the option/policy protect and enhance internationally and locally designated biodiversity/geodiversity sites? (including SPAs, SACs, Ramsar Sites, SSSIs, SINCs, LNRs and RIGs) Will important habitats and species outside of protected sites be affected? Will the option/policy protect and enhance established tree cover or hedgerows which would be impossible to replace in the short to medium term? Will the objective help to deliver net gain?</p>	<p>Positive impact</p>	<p>Healthy peat supports native habitats and therefore this management plan objective supports the intention of the SA objective.</p>
<p>E5 - To conserve and enhance the historic environment, heritage assets and their settings and to help facilitate opportunities for greater access to and understanding of the historic environment.</p>	<p>Will historic features of interest (Conservation Areas, Listed Buildings, SAM, Areas of Archaeological importance and Registered Parks and Gardens) be protected? Will non-designated heritage assets be protected? Will historic character be enhanced? Will the option/policy lead to a greater understanding of the historic environment?</p>	<p>X No direct link</p>	<p>No direct link.</p>

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S1 - To foster and maintain vibrant local communities and encourage a sense of community and belonging.	Will the option/policy protect and enhance facilities that are important to local communities?	X No direct link	No direct link.
S2 To provide affordable, decent housing in accessible locations to meet the needs of local people, including the young.	Will affordable housing be supported by the option/policy? Will affordable housing increase in line with demand in accessible locations?	X No direct link	No direct link.
S3 - To protect and enhance access to community facilities, leisure and recreation opportunities and access to the countryside.	Will the option/policy increase or decrease access to health/wellbeing and recreational facilities? Will the option/policy increase opportunities for access to the countryside?	X No direct link	No direct link.
S4 - To make sure new development is easily accessible to essential services, to help reduce the need	Will the option/policy result in shorter journeys to local services? Will the option/policy encourage development in locations where public transport is available?	X No direct link	No direct link.

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to travel and minimise the environmental impact of transport.	<p>Will the policy encourage active travel such as walking/cycling on nearby PROW?</p> <p>Could the policy improve air quality by minimising the need to travel?</p>		
EC1 - To strengthen and diversify the local economy by supporting a range of opportunities for employment and training particularly in sustainable locations.	<p>Will the option/policy support local services and businesses?</p> <p>Will the option/policy create new jobs?</p> <p>Will the option/policy increase access to jobs?</p>	Positive impact	Peat restoration will require people to do it, delivering this management plan objective may there cause an (albeit minor) positive effect in terms of this SA objective.
EC2 - To support tourism and recreation industry by ensuring that development contributes to the local economy and provides opportunities for enjoying the	<p>Will new tourism proposals be supported by the option/policy?</p> <p>Will the option/policy support the retention of existing tourism related businesses?</p> <p>Will the option/policy support tourism businesses that provide a greater understanding of the special qualities of the National Park?</p>	X No direct link	No direct link.

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Park's special qualities.			

Conclusions

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Objective 4 - Protect, restore and improve soils across the National Park

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Recommendations, including mitigation:

No changes recommended.

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E2 - To protect water, soil and air quality, and reduce pollution, and improve efficiency of water use.	<p>Will the policy/ option have an adverse impact on Groundwater Source Protection Zones or cause discharge into a river?</p> <p>Will best and most versatile Agricultural Land be protected?</p> <p>Would the policy option result in the re-use and clean-up of contaminated land?</p> <p>Would the option lead to the worsening of air quality?</p>	Positive impact	The objective is directly included to improve the quality of soil and will have a positive impact – in particular on soil biomass. The relationship is therefore mutually reinforcing.
E3 - To reduce the causes of climate change and ensure future development is resilient to climate change, including reducing the impact of flooding and avoiding flood risk.	<p>Will the option/policy increase the resilience of habitats to climate change?</p> <p>Will the policy option/policy increase resilience to climate change risks such as lower water availability, increased subsidence or heatwaves?</p> <p>Will the option/policy increase surface or fluvial flooding or will</p>	Positive impact	Soil restoration results in healthier soil which is able to store more carbon, as well as supporting plants that do the same. This SA objective will therefore be delivered if the management plan objective is delivered.

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	development be vulnerable to flooding? Will greenhouse gasses be reduced?		
E4 - To maintain and enhance conditions for biodiversity and avoid irreversible losses or damage to designated nature conservation sites protected species and geological assets.	Will the option/policy protect and enhance internationally and locally designated biodiversity/geodiversity sites? (including SPAs, SACs, Ramsar Sites, SSSIs, SINC, LNRs and RIGs) Will important habitats and species outside of protected sites be affected? Will the option/policy protect and enhance established tree cover or hedgerows which would be impossible to replace in the short to medium term? Will the objective help to deliver net gain?	Positive impact	Healthier soil will have a direct positive impact in terms of better supporting biodiversity to the relationship between the two objectives is positive.
E5 - To conserve and enhance the historic environment, heritage assets	Will historic features of interest (Conservation Areas, Listed Buildings, SAM, Areas of Archaeological importance and	X No direct link	No direct link

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and their settings and to help facilitate opportunities for greater access to and understanding of the historic environment.	Registered Parks and Gardens) be protected? Will non-designated heritage assets be protected? Will historic character be enhanced? Will the option/policy lead to a greater understanding of the historic environment?		
S1 - To foster and maintain vibrant local communities and encourage a sense of community and belonging.	Will the option/policy protect and enhance facilities that are important to local communities?	X No direct link	No direct link
S2 To provide affordable, decent housing in accessible locations to meet the needs of local people, including the young.	Will affordable housing be supported by the option/policy? Will affordable housing increase in line with demand in accessible locations?	X No direct link	No direct link

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S3 - To protect and enhance access to community facilities, leisure and recreation opportunities and access to the countryside.	<p>Will the option/policy increase or decrease access to health/wellbeing and recreational facilities?</p> <p>Will the option/policy increase opportunities for access to the countryside?</p>	X No direct link	No direct link
S4 - To make sure new development is easily accessible to essential services, to help reduce the need to travel and minimise the environmental impact of transport.	<p>Will the option/policy result in shorter journeys to local services?</p> <p>Will the option/policy encourage development in locations where public transport is available?</p> <p>Will the policy encourage active travel such as walking/cycling on nearby PROW?</p> <p>Could the policy improve air quality by minimising the need to travel?</p>	X No direct link	No direct link
EC1 - To strengthen and diversify the local economy by supporting a	<p>Will the option/policy support local services and businesses?</p> <p>Will the option/policy create new jobs?</p>	Positive impact	Healthy soil supports farm productivity and in terms incomes. Whilst the relationship is not direct, it is positive.

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range of opportunities for employment and training particularly in sustainable locations.	Will the option/policy increase access to jobs?		
EC2 - To support tourism and recreation industry by ensuring that development contributes to the local economy and provides opportunities for enjoying the Park's special qualities.	<p>Will new tourism proposals be supported by the option/policy?</p> <p>Will the option/policy support the retention of existing tourism related businesses?</p> <p>Will the option/policy support tourism businesses that provide a greater understanding of the special qualities of the National Park?</p>	X No direct link	No direct link

Conclusions

This draft objective will have only positive impacts on the sustainability objectives (or has no direct link).

Objective 5 - Achieve good status on at least 40 percent of water bodies by 2027 and support the improvement of the marine and coastal habitat

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E2 - To protect water, soil and air quality, and reduce pollution, and improve efficiency of water use.	<p>Will the policy/ option have an adverse impact on Groundwater Source Protection Zones or cause discharge into a river?</p> <p>Will best and most versatile Agricultural Land be protected?</p> <p>Would the policy option result in the re-use and clean-up of contaminated land?</p> <p>Would the option lead to the worsening of air quality?</p>	Positive impact	The objective will have a positive impact – the management plan objective is specifically included to improve water quality.
E3 - To reduce the causes of climate change and ensure future development is resilient to climate change, including reducing the impact of flooding and avoiding flood risk.	<p>Will the option/policy increase the resilience of habitats to climate change?</p> <p>Will the policy option/policy increase resilience to climate change risks such as lower water availability, increased subsidence or heatwaves?</p> <p>Will the option/policy increase surface or fluvial flooding or will</p>	X No direct link	No direct link.

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	development be vulnerable to flooding? Will greenhouse gasses be reduced?		
E4 - To maintain and enhance conditions for biodiversity and avoid irreversible losses or damage to designated nature conservation sites protected species and geological assets.	Will the option/policy protect and enhance internationally and locally designated biodiversity/geodiversity sites? (including SPAs, SACs, Ramsar Sites, SSSIs, SINCs, LNRs and RIGs) Will important habitats and species outside of protected sites be affected? Will the option/policy protect and enhance established tree cover or hedgerows which would be impossible to replace in the short to medium term? Will the objective help to deliver net gain?	Positive impact	A healthy river network is important to many important habitats in the National Park and such this management plan objective supports this SA objective. Environmental net gain proposals should also help support the health of the North York Moors water courses.
E5 - To conserve and enhance the historic environment, heritage assets	Will historic features of interest (Conservation Areas, Listed Buildings, SAM, Areas of Archaeological importance and	X No direct link	No direct link

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and their settings and to help facilitate opportunities for greater access to and understanding of the historic environment.	Registered Parks and Gardens) be protected? Will non-designated heritage assets be protected? Will historic character be enhanced? Will the option/policy lead to a greater understanding of the historic environment?		
S1 - To foster and maintain vibrant local communities and encourage a sense of community and belonging.	Will the option/policy protect and enhance facilities that are important to local communities?	X No direct link	No direct link
S2 To provide affordable, decent housing in accessible locations to meet the needs of local people, including the young.	Will affordable housing be supported by the option/policy? Will affordable housing increase in line with demand in accessible locations?	X No direct link	No direct link
S3 - To protect and enhance	Will the option/policy increase or decrease	X No direct link	No direct link

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access to community facilities, leisure and recreation opportunities and access to the countryside.	access to health/wellbeing and recreational facilities? Will the option/policy increase opportunities for access to the countryside?		
S4 - To make sure new development is easily accessible to essential services, to help reduce the need to travel and minimise the environmental impact of transport.	Will the option/policy result in shorter journeys to local services? Will the option/policy encourage development in locations where public transport is available? Will the policy encourage active travel such as walking/cycling on nearby PROW? Could the policy improve air quality by minimising the need to travel?	X No direct link	No direct link
EC1 - To strengthen and diversify the local economy by supporting a range of opportunities	Will the option/policy support local services and businesses? Will the option/policy create new jobs? Will the option/policy increase access to jobs?	X No direct link	No direct link

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for employment and training particularly in sustainable locations.			
EC2 - To support tourism and recreation industry by ensuring that development contributes to the local economy and provides opportunities for enjoying the Park's special qualities.	<p>Will new tourism proposals be supported by the option/policy?</p> <p>Will the option/policy support the retention of existing tourism related businesses?</p> <p>Will the option/policy support tourism businesses that provide a greater understanding of the special qualities of the National Park?</p>	Positive impact	There is a minor positive relationship as river water quality is important to fish health, which helps support fishing.

Conclusions

The draft objective will have only positive impacts when measured through the sustainability objectives. For the majority of SA objectives however there is no direct link.

Objective 6 - Create bigger, better and more joined-up habitats, with nature-rich wildlife corridors extending beyond the National Park boundaries

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E1- To maintain and enhance the quality and character of the landscape of the North York Moors, including the special qualities of remoteness and tranquillity	<p>Will the National Park landscape and special qualities be protected and enhanced?</p> <p>Will landscape character improve?</p> <p>Will tranquillity improve or deteriorate?</p>	Uncertain impacts	The Management Plan is a high level strategic plan and as such this (high level and aspirational) objective cannot be directly assessed. The Plan also does not spatially quantify the extent of land use change that may be required to respond to address the issue of nature recovery. Additional tree planting may have localised effects of the appearance of landscapes, however the overall scale of change envisaged is likely to be small within the initial five year life of the management plan (see appraisal of Objective 2 for details). There should be little or no impact on remoteness and tranquillity. The effects are therefore uncertain.

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E2 - To protect water, soil and air quality, and reduce pollution, and improve efficiency of water use.	<p>Will the policy/ option have an adverse impact on Groundwater Source Protection Zones or cause discharge into a river?</p> <p>Will best and most versatile Agricultural Land be protected?</p> <p>Would the policy option result in the re-use and clean-up of contaminated land?</p> <p>Would the option lead to the worsening of air quality?</p>	Positive impact	Improved habitats can improve soil quality due to the symbiotic relationship between species and soil.
E3 - To reduce the causes of climate change and ensure future development is resilient to climate change, including reducing the impact of flooding and avoiding flood risk.	<p>Will the option/policy increase the resilience of habitats to climate change?</p> <p>Will the policy option/policy increase resilience to climate change risks such as lower water availability, increased subsidence or heatwaves?</p> <p>Will the option/policy increase surface or fluvial flooding or will</p>	Positive impact	The draft policy will positively support this SA objective as increased levels of habitat will help act as a carbon sink.

SA Objective	Prompts	Impact on Objective	Effects and Mitigation
	development be vulnerable to flooding? Will greenhouse gasses be reduced?		
E4 - To maintain and enhance conditions for biodiversity and avoid irreversible losses or damage to designated nature conservation sites protected species and geological assets.	Will the option/policy protect and enhance internationally and locally designated biodiversity/geodiversity sites? (including SPAs, SACs, Ramsar Sites, SSSIs, SINC, LNRs and RIGs) Will important habitats and species outside of protected sites be affected? Will the option/policy protect and enhance established tree cover or hedgerows which would be impossible to replace in the short to medium term? Will the objective help to deliver net gain?	Positive impact	The draft policy is included within the management plan to directly achieve this objective; hence the relationship is positive. The objective should encourage further use of net gain in new developments, although this will be primarily delivered through national legislation (The Environment Act) and the Local Plan.
E5 - To conserve and enhance the historic environment, heritage assets	Will historic features of interest (Conservation Areas, Listed Buildings, SAM, Areas of Archaeological importance and	X No direct link	No direct link.

SA Objective	Prompts	Impact on Objective	Effects and Mitigation
and their settings and to help facilitate opportunities for greater access to and understanding of the historic environment.	Registered Parks and Gardens) be protected? Will non-designated heritage assets be protected? Will historic character be enhanced? Will the option/policy lead to a greater understanding of the historic environment?		
S1 - To foster and maintain vibrant local communities and encourage a sense of community and belonging.	Will the option/policy protect and enhance facilities that are important to local communities?	X No direct link	No direct link.
S2 To provide affordable, decent housing in accessible locations to meet the needs of local people, including the young.	Will affordable housing be supported by the option/policy? Will affordable housing increase in line with demand in accessible locations?	X No direct link	No direct link.

SA Objective	Prompts	Impact on Objective	Effects and Mitigation
S3 - To protect and enhance access to community facilities, leisure and recreation opportunities and access to the countryside.	<p>Will the option/policy increase or decrease access to health/wellbeing and recreational facilities?</p> <p>Will the option/policy increase opportunities for access to the countryside?</p>	Positive impact	There is a positive relationship between these objectives as increased habitat creation can help increase recreational resources, and intern encourage access to the national park to enjoy the natural world.
S4 - To make sure new development is easily accessible to essential services, to help reduce the need to travel and minimise the environmental impact of transport.	<p>Will the option/policy result in shorter journeys to local services?</p> <p>Will the option/policy encourage development in locations where public transport is available?</p> <p>Will the policy encourage active travel such as walking/cycling on nearby PROW?</p> <p>Could the policy improve air quality by minimising the need to travel?</p>	X No direct link	No direct link.
EC1 - To strengthen and diversify the local economy by supporting a	<p>Will the option/policy support local services and businesses?</p> <p>Will the option/policy create new jobs?</p>	Positive impact	There was a positive relationship between these two objectives as increasing biodiversity to initiatives such as the environmental and management scheme could potentially create new jobs and improve income streams within the land management sector.

SA Objective	Prompts	Impact on Objective	Effects and Mitigation
range of opportunities for employment and training particularly in sustainable locations.	Will the option/policy increase access to jobs?		
EC2 - To support tourism and recreation industry by ensuring that development contributes to the local economy and provides opportunities for enjoying the Park's special qualities.	<p>Will new tourism proposals be supported by the option/policy?</p> <p>Will the option/policy support the retention of existing tourism related businesses?</p> <p>Will the option/policy support tourism businesses that provide a greater understanding of the special qualities of the National Park?</p>	X No direct link	No direct link.

Conclusions

The draft objective will have only positive impacts when measured through the sustainability objectives, although there is some uncertainty over whether nature recovery initiatives could undermine existing landscape quality – however the scale of change is likely to low and any changes would be planned to fit in with existing character.

Objective 7 - Support low-intervention management on at least 2,000 hectares of high-quality habitat to restore a wilder and more naturally functioning ecosystem through two landscape recovery schemes from 2023

Audit Trail

Changes to be recorded after consultation on the draft Management Plan and this Sustainability Appraisal

Recommendations, including mitigation:

No changes recommended.

Key	Positive impact	X No direct link	Neutral link	Uncertain impacts	Negative impacts	Significant Negative Impact
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SA Objective	Prompts	Impact on Objective	Effects and Mitigation
E1- To maintain and enhance the quality and character of the landscape of the North York Moors, including the special qualities of remoteness and tranquillity	<p>Will the National Park landscape and special qualities be protected and enhanced?</p> <p>Will landscape character improve?</p> <p>Will tranquillity improve or deteriorate?</p>	Uncertain impacts	The Management Plan is a high level strategic plan and as such this (high level and aspirational) objective cannot be directly assessed. The Plan also does not spatially quantify the extent of land use change that may be required to respond to address the issue of nature recovery. Low intervention management may have localised effects of the appearance of landscapes, however the overall scale of change envisaged are likely to be small within the initial five year life of the management plan (see appraisal of Objective 2 for details). There should be little or no impact on remoteness and tranquillity. The effects are therefore uncertain.

SA Objective	Prompts	Impact on Objective	Effects and Mitigation
<p>E2 - To protect water, soil and air quality, and reduce pollution, and improve efficiency of water use.</p>	<p>Will the policy/ option have an adverse impact on Groundwater Source Protection Zones or cause discharge into a river? Will best and most versatile Agricultural Land be protected? Would the policy option result in the re-use and clean-up of contaminated land? Would the option lead to the worsening of air quality?</p>	<p>Positive impact</p>	<p>The objective will have a positive impact – in particular in terms of new vegetation potentially helping improve soil biomass. Low intervention management may also mean that less land is ploughed, which would also improve soil quality. Air quality may also benefit from increase species growth.</p>
<p>E3 - To reduce the causes of climate change and ensure future development is resilient to climate change, including reducing the impact of flooding and avoiding flood risk.</p>	<p>Will the option/policy increase the resilience of habitats to climate change? Will the policy option/policy increase resilience to climate change risks such as lower water availability, increased subsidence or heatwaves? Will the option/policy increase surface or fluvial flooding or will</p>	<p>Positive impact</p>	<p>The draft objective will positively support this SA objective as increased levels of habitat will help act as a carbon sink. Vegetation can also be used to decrease the risk of flooding.</p>

SA Objective	Prompts	Impact on Objective	Effects and Mitigation
	development be vulnerable to flooding? Will greenhouse gasses be reduced?		
E4 - To maintain and enhance conditions for biodiversity and avoid irreversible losses or damage to designated nature conservation sites protected species and geological assets.	Will the option/policy protect and enhance internationally and locally designated biodiversity/geodiversity sites? (including SPAs, SACs, Ramsar Sites, SSSIs, SINCs, LNRs and RIGs) Will important habitats and species outside of protected sites be affected? Will the option/policy protect and enhance established tree cover or hedgerows which would be impossible to replace in the short to medium term? Will the objective help to deliver net gain?	Positive impact	This SA objective is directly and positively supported by this objective in the management plan. The objective should encourage further use of net gain in new developments, although this will be primarily delivered through national legislation (The Environment Act) and the Local Plan.
E5 - To conserve and enhance the historic environment, heritage assets	Will historic features of interest (Conservation Areas, Listed Buildings, SAM, Areas of Archaeological importance and	X No direct link	No direct impact.

SA Objective	Prompts	Impact on Objective	Effects and Mitigation
and their settings and to help facilitate opportunities for greater access to and understanding of the historic environment.	Registered Parks and Gardens) be protected? Will non-designated heritage assets be protected? Will historic character be enhanced? Will the option/policy lead to a greater understanding of the historic environment?		
S1 - To foster and maintain vibrant local communities and encourage a sense of community and belonging.	Will the option/policy protect and enhance facilities that are important to local communities?	X No direct link	No direct impact.
S2 To provide affordable, decent housing in accessible locations to meet the needs of local people, including the young.	Will affordable housing be supported by the option/policy? Will affordable housing increase in line with demand in accessible locations?	X No direct link	No direct impact.

SA Objective	Prompts	Impact on Objective	Effects and Mitigation
S3 - To protect and enhance access to community facilities, leisure and recreation opportunities and access to the countryside.	<p>Will the option/policy increase or decrease access to health/wellbeing and recreational facilities?</p> <p>Will the option/policy increase opportunities for access to the countryside?</p>	X No direct link	No direct impact.
S4 - To make sure new development is easily accessible to essential services, to help reduce the need to travel and minimise the environmental impact of transport.	<p>Will the option/policy result in shorter journeys to local services?</p> <p>Will the option/policy encourage development in locations where public transport is available?</p> <p>Will the policy encourage active travel such as walking/cycling on nearby PROW?</p> <p>Could the policy improve air quality by minimising the need to travel?</p>	X No direct link	No direct impact.
EC1 - To strengthen and diversify the local economy by supporting a	<p>Will the option/policy support local services and businesses?</p> <p>Will the option/policy create new jobs?</p>	Uncertain Impacts	There is some uncertainty as to whether pursuit of this management plan objective may have implications in terms of the number of people needed within the land management sector. In practice the scale of change is likely to be, in the short to medium term, small, however it must be recognised that low intervention management may have an impact on numbers working on the land.

SA Objective	Prompts	Impact on Objective	Effects and Mitigation
range of opportunities for employment and training particularly in sustainable locations.	Will the option/policy increase access to jobs?		
EC2 - To support tourism and recreation industry by ensuring that development contributes to the local economy and provides opportunities for enjoying the Park's special qualities.	<p>Will new tourism proposals be supported by the option/policy?</p> <p>Will the option/policy support the retention of existing tourism related businesses?</p> <p>Will the option/policy support tourism businesses that provide a greater understanding of the special qualities of the National Park?</p>	X No direct link	No direct impact.

Conclusions

The draft objective will have only positive impacts when measured through the sustainability objectives, although there is some uncertainty over whether low intervention management initiatives could undermine existing landscape quality or mean that there are fewer people needed to work

the land. The scale of change is also likely to low, it may bring new opportunities for some and any changes would be planned to fit in with existing landscape character.

Objective 8 - Work with our moorland community to support the sustainable management of moorland to ensure it retains a natural remoteness which supports a greater variety of species and habitats

Audit Trail

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Recommendations, including mitigation:

No changes recommended.

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SA Objective	Prompts	Impact on Objective	Effects and Mitigation
E1- To maintain and enhance the quality and character of the landscape of the North York Moors, including the special qualities of remoteness and tranquillity	<p>Will the National Park landscape and special qualities be protected and enhanced?</p> <p>Will landscape character improve?</p> <p>Will tranquillity improve or deteriorate?</p>	Positive impact	Much of the open moorland in the North York Moors is remote and provides a sense of tranquillity. This management plan policy directly addresses the issue of protecting remoteness (and hence tranquillity) and hence supports this SA objective.

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E2 - To protect water, soil and air quality, and reduce pollution, and improve efficiency of water use.	<p>Will the policy/ option have an adverse impact on Groundwater Source Protection Zones or cause discharge into a river?</p> <p>Will best and most versatile Agricultural Land be protected?</p> <p>Would the policy option result in the re-use and clean-up of contaminated land?</p> <p>Would the option lead to the worsening of air quality?</p>	Uncertain Impacts	<p>The objective could have a positive impact on air quality, particularly if alternatives to burning are adopted - it is however currently unclear as to whether burning as a form of land management can be lessened in terms of its effects on air quality. The management plan objective aims to encourage joint working to address this issue and is therefore a positive step, however uncertainties remain over its delivery.</p>
E3 - To reduce the causes of climate change and ensure future development is resilient to climate change, including reducing the impact of flooding and avoiding flood risk.	<p>Will the option/policy increase the resilience of habitats to climate change?</p> <p>Will the policy option/policy increase resilience to climate change risks such as lower water availability, increased subsidence or heatwaves?</p> <p>Will the option/policy increase surface or fluvial flooding or will</p>	Uncertain Impacts	<p>The relationship between these objectives is uncertain – management of moorland could increase biodiversity and can help with carbon storage, however burning regimes do currently release carbon dioxide. Alternatives to burning would support this SA objective. Overall the purpose of the management plan objective to explore with landowners how moorland can best be managed to deliver multiple benefits.</p>

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	development be vulnerable to flooding? Will greenhouse gasses be reduced?		
E4 - To maintain and enhance conditions for biodiversity and avoid irreversible losses or damage to designated nature conservation sites protected species and geological assets.	Will the option/policy protect and enhance internationally and locally designated biodiversity/geodiversity sites? (including SPAs, SACs, Ramsar Sites, SSSIs, SINCs, LNRs and RIGs) Will important habitats and species outside of protected sites be affected? Will the option/policy protect and enhance established tree cover or hedgerows which would be impossible to replace in the short to medium term? Will the objective help to deliver net gain?	Positive impact	The management plan objective directly aims to improve biodiversity hence this SA objective is supported. The moorland is also mostly designated as a Special Protection Area or Special Area of Conservation in recognition of it being home to particular species, and moorland management directly contributes to this.
E5 - To conserve and enhance the historic environment, heritage assets	Will historic features of interest (Conservation Areas, Listed Buildings, SAM, Areas of Archaeological importance and	X No direct link	No direct impact.

SA Objective	Prompts	Impact on Objective	Effects and Mitigation
and their settings and to help facilitate opportunities for greater access to and understanding of the historic environment.	Registered Parks and Gardens) be protected? Will non-designated heritage assets be protected? Will historic character be enhanced? Will the option/policy lead to a greater understanding of the historic environment?		
S1 - To foster and maintain vibrant local communities and encourage a sense of community and belonging.	Will the option/policy protect and enhance facilities that are important to local communities?	Positive impact	There is a degree as to how mutually reinforcing these objectives are – moorland management is a centuries old activity which shapes the landscapes of the moors and hence creates an identity that local communities value and enjoy, plus there is a long running tradition of moorland management which contributes to community belonging through tradition and its connection with the past, which helps engender a sense of pride and belonging.
S2 To provide affordable, decent housing in accessible locations to meet the needs of local people, including the young.	Will affordable housing be supported by the option/policy? Will affordable housing increase in line with demand in accessible locations?	X No direct link	No direct impact.

SA Objective	Prompts	Impact on Objective	Effects and Mitigation
S3 - To protect and enhance access to community facilities, leisure and recreation opportunities and access to the countryside.	<p>Will the option/policy increase or decrease access to health/wellbeing and recreational facilities?</p> <p>Will the option/policy increase opportunities for access to the countryside?</p>	Positive impact	This is recorded as a positive impact as moorland management results in the landscapes that visitors come to enjoy and management can help maintain the network of rights of way that they use to access the National Park.
S4 - To make sure new development is easily accessible to essential services, to help reduce the need to travel and minimise the environmental impact of transport.	<p>Will the option/policy result in shorter journeys to local services?</p> <p>Will the option/policy encourage development in locations where public transport is available?</p> <p>Will the policy encourage active travel such as walking/cycling on nearby PROW?</p> <p>Could the policy improve air quality by minimising the need to travel?</p>	X No direct link	No direct impact.
EC1 - To strengthen and diversify the local economy by supporting a	<p>Will the option/policy support local services and businesses?</p> <p>Will the option/policy create new jobs?</p>	Uncertain Impacts	Moorland management does directly support and provide jobs. This is recorded as uncertain as it will depend on how and whether management practices will change to support this management plan objective. On the one hand it may involve additional land management activity to help improve biodiversity, on the other in the longer term it could mean less active management or different management

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range of opportunities for employment and training particularly in sustainable locations.	Will the option/policy increase access to jobs?		practices. At the moment this is a high level strategic action and its precise impact on the local economy cannot be certain.
EC2 - To support tourism and recreation industry by ensuring that development contributes to the local economy and provides opportunities for enjoying the Park's special qualities.	<p>Will new tourism proposals be supported by the option/policy?</p> <p>Will the option/policy support the retention of existing tourism related businesses?</p> <p>Will the option/policy support tourism businesses that provide a greater understanding of the special qualities of the National Park?</p>	Positive impact	This is recorded as a positive impact as moorland management results in the landscapes that visitors come to enjoy, which has spin off effects for the local economy.

Conclusions

The draft objective will have positive impacts when measured through the sustainability objectives, although there is some uncertainty over whether a move to more sustainable moorland management may impact the local economy. There are also uncertainties over future moorland management can contribute to climate change and air quality objectives.

Objective 9 - Increase the intrinsic darkness of the National Park International Dark Sky Reserve by expanding the current dark sky core zone by twenty percent by 2027

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Recommendations, including mitigation:

No changes recommended.

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SA Objective	Prompts	Impact on Objective	Effects and Mitigation
E1- To maintain and enhance the quality and character of the landscape of the North York Moors, including the special qualities of remoteness and tranquillity	<p>Will the National Park landscape and special qualities be protected and enhanced?</p> <p>Will landscape character improve?</p> <p>Will tranquillity improve or deteriorate?</p>	Positive impact	Dark night skies are an integral part of the landscape and can help instil a sense of tranquillity, hence the relationship between these two objectives is positive.

SA Objective	Prompts	Impact on Objective	Effects and Mitigation
E2 - To protect water, soil and air quality, and reduce pollution, and improve efficiency of water use.	<p>Will the policy/ option have an adverse impact on Groundwater Source Protection Zones or cause discharge into a river?</p> <p>Will best and most versatile Agricultural Land be protected?</p> <p>Would the policy option result in the re-use and clean-up of contaminated land?</p> <p>Would the option lead to the worsening of air quality?</p>	X No direct link	No direct impact.
E3 - To reduce the causes of climate change and ensure future development is resilient to climate change, including reducing the impact of flooding and avoiding flood risk.	<p>Will the option/policy increase the resilience of habitats to climate change?</p> <p>Will the policy option/policy increase resilience to climate change risks such as lower water availability, increased subsidence or heatwaves?</p> <p>Will the option/policy increase surface or fluvial flooding or will</p>	X No direct link	No direct impact.

SA Objective	Prompts	Impact on Objective	Effects and Mitigation
	development be vulnerable to flooding? Will greenhouse gasses be reduced?		
E4 - To maintain and enhance conditions for biodiversity and avoid irreversible losses or damage to designated nature conservation sites protected species and geological assets.	Will the option/policy protect and enhance internationally and locally designated biodiversity/geodiversity sites? (including SPAs, SACs, Ramsar Sites, SSSIs, SINC, LNRs and RIGs) Will important habitats and species outside of protected sites be affected? Will the option/policy protect and enhance established tree cover or hedgerows which would be impossible to replace in the short to medium term? Will the objective help to deliver net gain?	Positive impact	Recorded as positive as dark night skies increase the health and resilience of key species – light pollution can affect breeding cycles.
E5 - To conserve and enhance the historic environment, heritage assets	Will historic features of interest (Conservation Areas, Listed Buildings, SAM, Areas of Archaeological importance and	X No direct link	No direct impact.

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and their settings and to help facilitate opportunities for greater access to and understanding of the historic environment.	Registered Parks and Gardens) be protected? Will non-designated heritage assets be protected? Will historic character be enhanced? Will the option/policy lead to a greater understanding of the historic environment?		
S1 - To foster and maintain vibrant local communities and encourage a sense of community and belonging.	Will the option/policy protect and enhance facilities that are important to local communities?	X No direct link	No direct impact.
S2 To provide affordable, decent housing in accessible locations to meet the needs of local people, including the young.	Will affordable housing be supported by the option/policy? Will affordable housing increase in line with demand in accessible locations?	X No direct link	No direct impact.

SA Objective	Prompts	Impact on Objective	Effects and Mitigation
S3 - To protect and enhance access to community facilities, leisure and recreation opportunities and access to the countryside.	Will the option/policy increase or decrease access to health/wellbeing and recreational facilities? Will the option/policy increase opportunities for access to the countryside?	Positive impact	This objective can help encourage people to come to the National Park to view dark night skies and facilities have been and will be delivered to aid the viewing of dark night skies, hence there is a positive relationship between these objectives.
S4 - To make sure new development is easily accessible to essential services, to help reduce the need to travel and minimise the environmental impact of transport.	Will the option/policy result in shorter journeys to local services? Will the option/policy encourage development in locations where public transport is available? Will the policy encourage active travel such as walking/cycling on nearby PROW? Could the policy improve air quality by minimising the need to travel?	X No direct link	No direct impact.
EC1 - To strengthen and diversify the local economy by supporting a	Will the option/policy support local services and businesses? Will the option/policy create new jobs?	Positive impact	There is a (slight) positive relationship between these objectives as dark skies can attract visitors into the national park which may help support jobs in the tourism economy.

SA Objective	Prompts	Impact on Objective	Effects and Mitigation
range of opportunities for employment and training particularly in sustainable locations.	Will the option/policy increase access to jobs?		
EC2 - To support tourism and recreation industry by ensuring that development contributes to the local economy and provides opportunities for enjoying the Park's special qualities.	<p>Will new tourism proposals be supported by the option/policy?</p> <p>Will the option/policy support the retention of existing tourism related businesses?</p> <p>Will the option/policy support tourism businesses that provide a greater understanding of the special qualities of the National Park?</p>	Positive impact	There is a positive relationship between these objectives as dark skies can attract visitors into the national park which supports the tourism economy.

Conclusions

The draft objective will have only positive impacts when measured through the sustainability objectives.

Objective 10 - Ensure the best examples of heritage are conserved, explained and under appropriate management, and improve the condition of at least 25 identified Designated Heritage Assets at Risk by 2027

Audit Trail

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Recommendations, including mitigation:

No changes recommended.

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SA Objective	Prompts	Impact on Objective	Effects and Mitigation
E1- To maintain and enhance the quality and character of the landscape of the North York Moors, including the special qualities of remoteness and tranquillity	<p>Will the National Park landscape and special qualities be protected and enhanced?</p> <p>Will landscape character improve?</p> <p>Will tranquillity improve or deteriorate?</p>	Positive impact	The historic built environment of the National Park is integral to its landscape, an objective aimed at protecting and improving the stock of such buildings and monuments very much helps deliver the SA objectives.

SA Objective	Prompts	Impact on Objective	Effects and Mitigation
E2 - To protect water, soil and air quality, and reduce pollution, and improve efficiency of water use.	<p>Will the policy/ option have an adverse impact on Groundwater Source Protection Zones or cause discharge into a river?</p> <p>Will best and most versatile Agricultural Land be protected?</p> <p>Would the policy option result in the re-use and clean-up of contaminated land?</p> <p>Would the option lead to the worsening of air quality?</p>	X No direct link	No direct impact.
E3 - To reduce the causes of climate change and ensure future development is resilient to climate change, including reducing the impact of flooding and avoiding flood risk.	<p>Will the option/policy increase the resilience of habitats to climate change?</p> <p>Will the policy option/policy increase resilience to climate change risks such as lower water availability, increased subsidence or heatwaves?</p> <p>Will the option/policy increase surface or fluvial flooding or will</p>	X No direct link	The draft objective will have only positive impacts when measured through the sustainability objectives.

SA Objective	Prompts	Impact on Objective	Effects and Mitigation
	development be vulnerable to flooding? Will greenhouse gasses be reduced?		
E4 - To maintain and enhance conditions for biodiversity and avoid irreversible losses or damage to designated nature conservation sites protected species and geological assets.	Will the option/policy protect and enhance internationally and locally designated biodiversity/geodiversity sites? (including SPAs, SACs, Ramsar Sites, SSSIs, SINCs, LNRs and RIGs) Will important habitats and species outside of protected sites be affected? Will the option/policy protect and enhance established tree cover or hedgerows which would be impossible to replace in the short to medium term? Will the objective help to deliver net gain?	X No direct link	No direct impact.
E5 - To conserve and enhance the historic environment, heritage assets	Will historic features of interest (Conservation Areas, Listed Buildings, SAM, Areas of Archaeological importance and	Positive impact	The inclusion of this objective in the Management Plan is directly intended to further this SA objective.

SA Objective	Prompts	Impact on Objective	Effects and Mitigation
and their settings and to help facilitate opportunities for greater access to and understanding of the historic environment.	Registered Parks and Gardens) be protected? Will non-designated heritage assets be protected? Will historic character be enhanced? Will the option/policy lead to a greater understanding of the historic environment?		
S1 - To foster and maintain vibrant local communities and encourage a sense of community and belonging.	Will the option/policy protect and enhance facilities that are important to local communities?	Positive impact	Historic buildings in the National Park are part of the cultural identity of the place, and are valued by those who live or work in them. This is therefore a positive relationship.
S2 To provide affordable, decent housing in accessible locations to meet the needs of local people, including the young.	Will affordable housing be supported by the option/policy? Will affordable housing increase in line with demand in accessible locations?	X No direct link	No direct link. Affordable homes are delivered by the provision of new stock. This management plan objective aims to conserve and enhance buildings and assets at risk.

SA Objective	Prompts	Impact on Objective	Effects and Mitigation
S3 - To protect and enhance access to community facilities, leisure and recreation opportunities and access to the countryside.	<p>Will the option/policy increase or decrease access to health/wellbeing and recreational facilities?</p> <p>Will the option/policy increase opportunities for access to the countryside?</p>	X No direct link	No direct link.
S4 - To make sure new development is easily accessible to essential services, to help reduce the need to travel and minimise the environmental impact of transport.	<p>Will the option/policy result in shorter journeys to local services?</p> <p>Will the option/policy encourage development in locations where public transport is available?</p> <p>Will the policy encourage active travel such as walking/cycling on nearby PROW?</p> <p>Could the policy improve air quality by minimising the need to travel?</p>	X No direct link	No direct link.
EC1 - To strengthen and diversify the local economy by supporting a	<p>Will the option/policy support local services and businesses?</p> <p>Will the option/policy create new jobs?</p>	Positive impact	There is so degree of mutual support between these objectives as bringing older buildings back in use can help provide new jobs, however in practice there may be few opportunities for this to happen. There is nevertheless a positive relationship between the two objectives.

SA Objective	Prompts	Impact on Objective	Effects and Mitigation
range of opportunities for employment and training particularly in sustainable locations.	Will the option/policy increase access to jobs?		
EC2 - To support tourism and recreation industry by ensuring that development contributes to the local economy and provides opportunities for enjoying the Park's special qualities.	<p>Will new tourism proposals be supported by the option/policy?</p> <p>Will the option/policy support the retention of existing tourism related businesses?</p> <p>Will the option/policy support tourism businesses that provide a greater understanding of the special qualities of the National Park?</p>	Positive impact	Historic buildings in the National Park are part of the reason why people come in to the National Park to enjoy it. Their upkeep therefore promotes this trend. This is therefore a positive relationship between the two objectives.

Conclusions

The draft objective will have only positive impacts when measured through the sustainability objectives.

Objective 11 - Create specific, targeted opportunities to improve mental and physical health and well-being by connecting people with nature

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Recommendations, including mitigation:

No changes recommended.

Key	Positive impact	X No direct link	Neutral link	Uncertain impacts	Negative impacts	Significant Negative Impact
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SA Objective	Prompts	Impact on Objective	Effects and Mitigation
E1- To maintain and enhance the quality and character of the landscape of the North York Moors, including the special qualities of remoteness and tranquillity	<p>Will the National Park landscape and special qualities be protected and enhanced?</p> <p>Will landscape character improve?</p> <p>Will tranquillity improve or deteriorate?</p>	Neutral link	Recorded as a neutral link – there is a relationship between the two objectives as a remote and tranquil National Park can help improve mental health by ‘getting away from it all’ and connecting with nature, as well as providing a recreational resource for physical exercise. However, the move away from the current management plan to increase visitor number overall to a set of objectives which target certain groups such as those seeking solace and respite in the National Park to improve health outcomes and which target underserved communities may help ease visitor impact on the landscape and tranquillity. This is not however certain so neutral rather than positive link is recorded.

SA Objective	Prompts	Impact on Objective	Effects and Mitigation
E2 - To protect water, soil and air quality, and reduce pollution, and improve efficiency of water use.	<p>Will the policy/ option have an adverse impact on Groundwater Source Protection Zones or cause discharge into a river?</p> <p>Will best and most versatile Agricultural Land be protected?</p> <p>Would the policy option result in the re-use and clean-up of contaminated land?</p> <p>Would the option lead to the worsening of air quality?</p>	X No direct link	No direct link.
E3 - To reduce the causes of climate change and ensure future development is resilient to climate change, including reducing the impact of flooding and avoiding flood risk.	<p>Will the option/policy increase the resilience of habitats to climate change?</p> <p>Will the policy option/policy increase resilience to climate change risks such as lower water availability, increased subsidence or heatwaves?</p> <p>Will the option/policy increase surface or fluvial flooding or will</p>	X No direct link	No direct link.

SA Objective	Prompts	Impact on Objective	Effects and Mitigation
	development be vulnerable to flooding? Will greenhouse gasses be reduced?		
E4 - To maintain and enhance conditions for biodiversity and avoid irreversible losses or damage to designated nature conservation sites protected species and geological assets.	Will the option/policy protect and enhance internationally and locally designated biodiversity/geodiversity sites? (including SPAs, SACs, Ramsar Sites, SSSIs, SINCs, LNRs and RIGs) Will important habitats and species outside of protected sites be affected? Will the option/policy protect and enhance established tree cover or hedgerows which would be impossible to replace in the short to medium term? Will the objective help to deliver net gain?	X No direct link	No direct link.
E5 - To conserve and enhance the historic environment, heritage assets	Will historic features of interest (Conservation Areas, Listed Buildings, SAM, Areas of Archaeological importance and	X No direct link	No direct link.

SA Objective	Prompts	Impact on Objective	Effects and Mitigation
and their settings and to help facilitate opportunities for greater access to and understanding of the historic environment.	Registered Parks and Gardens) be protected? Will non-designated heritage assets be protected? Will historic character be enhanced? Will the option/policy lead to a greater understanding of the historic environment?		
S1 - To foster and maintain vibrant local communities and encourage a sense of community and belonging.	Will the option/policy protect and enhance facilities that are important to local communities?	X No direct link	No direct link.
S2 To provide affordable, decent housing in accessible locations to meet the needs of local people, including the young.	Will affordable housing be supported by the option/policy? Will affordable housing increase in line with demand in accessible locations?	X No direct link	No direct link.

SA Objective	Prompts	Impact on Objective	Effects and Mitigation
S3 - To protect and enhance access to community facilities, leisure and recreation opportunities and access to the countryside.	<p>Will the option/policy increase or decrease access to health/wellbeing and recreational facilities?</p> <p>Will the option/policy increase opportunities for access to the countryside?</p>	Positive impact	This is recorded as a positive relationship as initiatives such as ‘green prescribing,’ along with other initiatives aimed at using the National Park to improve health outcomes will increase access to health/wellbeing and hopefully bring those that could benefit into the North York Moors for the first time.
S4 - To make sure new development is easily accessible to essential services, to help reduce the need to travel and minimise the environmental impact of transport.	<p>Will the option/policy result in shorter journeys to local services?</p> <p>Will the option/policy encourage development in locations where public transport is available?</p> <p>Will the policy encourage active travel such as walking/cycling on nearby PROW?</p> <p>Could the policy improve air quality by minimising the need to travel?</p>	X No direct link	No direct link.
EC1 - To strengthen and diversify the local economy by supporting a	<p>Will the option/policy support local services and businesses?</p> <p>Will the option/policy create new jobs?</p>	X No direct link	No direct link.

SA Objective	Prompts	Impact on Objective	Effects and Mitigation
range of opportunities for employment and training particularly in sustainable locations.	Will the option/policy increase access to jobs?		
EC2 - To support tourism and recreation industry by ensuring that development contributes to the local economy and provides opportunities for enjoying the Park's special qualities.	<p>Will new tourism proposals be supported by the option/policy?</p> <p>Will the option/policy support the retention of existing tourism related businesses?</p> <p>Will the option/policy support tourism businesses that provide a greater understanding of the special qualities of the National Park?</p>	X No direct link	No direct link.

Conclusions

There are few direct links between the SA and this Management Plan objective, however effects should be positive if more people access the National Park for the benefit of their mental and physical health.

Objective 12 - Increase awareness of, and access to, the National Park among under-served communities

Audit Trail

Changes to be recorded after consultation on the draft Management Plan and this Sustainability Appraisal

Recommendations, including mitigation:

No changes recommended.

Key	Positive impact	X No direct link	Neutral link	Uncertain impacts	Negative impacts	Significant Negative Impact
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SA Objective	Prompts	Impact on Objective	Effects and Mitigation
E1- To maintain and enhance the quality and character of the landscape of the North York Moors, including the special qualities of remoteness and tranquillity	<p>Will the National Park landscape and special qualities be protected and enhanced?</p> <p>Will landscape character improve?</p> <p>Will tranquillity improve or deteriorate?</p>	Neutral link	Recorded as a neutral link –the move away from the current management plan to increase visitor number overall and set of objectives which target certain groups such as underserved communities may help ease visitor impact on the landscape and tranquillity. This is not however certain so a positive link is not recorded.

SA Objective	Prompts	Impact on Objective	Effects and Mitigation
E2 - To protect water, soil and air quality, and reduce pollution, and improve efficiency of water use.	<p>Will the policy/ option have an adverse impact on Groundwater Source Protection Zones or cause discharge into a river?</p> <p>Will best and most versatile Agricultural Land be protected?</p> <p>Would the policy option result in the re-use and clean-up of contaminated land?</p> <p>Would the option lead to the worsening of air quality?</p>	X No direct link	No direct link.
E3 - To reduce the causes of climate change and ensure future development is resilient to climate change, including reducing the impact of flooding and avoiding flood risk.	<p>Will the option/policy increase the resilience of habitats to climate change?</p> <p>Will the policy option/policy increase resilience to climate change risks such as lower water availability, increased subsidence or heatwaves?</p> <p>Will the option/policy increase surface or fluvial flooding or will</p>	X No direct link	No direct link.

SA Objective	Prompts	Impact on Objective	Effects and Mitigation
	development be vulnerable to flooding? Will greenhouse gasses be reduced?		
E4 - To maintain and enhance conditions for biodiversity and avoid irreversible losses or damage to designated nature conservation sites protected species and geological assets.	Will the option/policy protect and enhance internationally and locally designated biodiversity/geodiversity sites? (including SPAs, SACs, Ramsar Sites, SSSIs, SINC, LNRs and RIGs) Will important habitats and species outside of protected sites be affected? Will the option/policy protect and enhance established tree cover or hedgerows which would be impossible to replace in the short to medium term? Will the objective help to deliver net gain?	X No direct link	No direct link.
E5 - To conserve and enhance the historic environment, heritage assets	Will historic features of interest (Conservation Areas, Listed Buildings, SAM, Areas of Archaeological importance and	X No direct link	No direct link.

SA Objective	Prompts	Impact on Objective	Effects and Mitigation
and their settings and to help facilitate opportunities for greater access to and understanding of the historic environment.	Registered Parks and Gardens) be protected? Will non-designated heritage assets be protected? Will historic character be enhanced? Will the option/policy lead to a greater understanding of the historic environment?		
S1 - To foster and maintain vibrant local communities and encourage a sense of community and belonging.	Will the option/policy protect and enhance facilities that are important to local communities?	X No direct link	No direct link.
S2 To provide affordable, decent housing in accessible locations to meet the needs of local people, including the young.	Will affordable housing be supported by the option/policy? Will affordable housing increase in line with demand in accessible locations?	X No direct link	No direct link.

SA Objective	Prompts	Impact on Objective	Effects and Mitigation
S3 - To protect and enhance access to community facilities, leisure and recreation opportunities and access to the countryside.	<p>Will the option/policy increase or decrease access to health/wellbeing and recreational facilities?</p> <p>Will the option/policy increase opportunities for access to the countryside?</p>	Positive impact	There is a positive link between these objectives – this management plan objective is directly intended to further encourage the underserved communities to access the countryside.
S4 - To make sure new development is easily accessible to essential services, to help reduce the need to travel and minimise the environmental impact of transport.	<p>Will the option/policy result in shorter journeys to local services?</p> <p>Will the option/policy encourage development in locations where public transport is available?</p> <p>Will the policy encourage active travel such as walking/cycling on nearby PROW?</p> <p>Could the policy improve air quality by minimising the need to travel?</p>	X No direct link	No direct link.
EC1 - To strengthen and diversify the local economy by supporting a	<p>Will the option/policy support local services and businesses?</p> <p>Will the option/policy create new jobs?</p>	Positive impact	There is a possible positive impact on this SA objective as it could open up job opportunities, some of which could be done by underserved communities. The link is probably weak, it is nonetheless positive.

SA Objective	Prompts	Impact on Objective	Effects and Mitigation
range of opportunities for employment and training particularly in sustainable locations.	Will the option/policy increase access to jobs?		
EC2 - To support tourism and recreation industry by ensuring that development contributes to the local economy and provides opportunities for enjoying the Park's special qualities.	<p>Will new tourism proposals be supported by the option/policy?</p> <p>Will the option/policy support the retention of existing tourism related businesses?</p> <p>Will the option/policy support tourism businesses that provide a greater understanding of the special qualities of the National Park?</p>	Positive impact	There is a positive impact on this SA objective as a new audience coming into the National Park will aid the local economy.

Conclusions

There are few direct links between the SA and this Management Plan objective, however effects should be positive.

Objective 13 - Inspire the next generation to enjoy, learn about and care for the National Park, and support young people’s direct involvement in decision-making about its future

Audit Trail

Changes to be recorded after consultation on the draft Management Plan and this Sustainability Appraisal

Recommendations, including mitigation:

No changes recommended.

Key	Positive impact	X No direct link	Neutral link	Uncertain impacts	Negative impacts	Significant Negative Impact
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SA Objective	Prompts	Impact on Objective	Effects and Mitigation
E1- To maintain and enhance the quality and character of the landscape of the North York Moors, including the special qualities of remoteness and tranquillity	<p>Will the National Park landscape and special qualities be protected and enhanced?</p> <p>Will landscape character improve?</p> <p>Will tranquillity improve or deteriorate?</p>	Neutral link	Recorded as a neutral link –the move away from the current management plan to increase visitor numbers overall and set of objectives which target certain groups such as younger people may help ease visitor impact on the landscape and tranquillity. By targeting younger people in may also increase interest in the National Park landscapes which will be passed on the next generation who will live and work within the landscape. This is not however certain so a positive link is not recorded.

SA Objective	Prompts	Impact on Objective	Effects and Mitigation
E2 - To protect water, soil and air quality, and reduce pollution, and improve efficiency of water use.	<p>Will the policy/ option have an adverse impact on Groundwater Source Protection Zones or cause discharge into a river?</p> <p>Will best and most versatile Agricultural Land be protected?</p> <p>Would the policy option result in the re-use and clean-up of contaminated land?</p> <p>Would the option lead to the worsening of air quality?</p>	Positive impact	The actions of the next generation will have a direct impact on issues such as soil, air and water quality, hence involving, inspiring and listening to younger generations regarding the future of land management in the National Park in the future can help set a course of long term action to tackle these issues.
E3 - To reduce the causes of climate change and ensure future development is resilient to climate change, including reducing the impact of flooding and avoiding flood risk.	<p>Will the option/policy increase the resilience of habitats to climate change?</p> <p>Will the policy option/policy increase resilience to climate change risks such as lower water availability, increased subsidence or heatwaves?</p> <p>Will the option/policy increase surface or fluvial flooding or will</p>	Positive impact	The next generation and the ones to come after them are likely to be increasingly affected by the impacts of rapid climate change. It is therefore imperative that they are involved in and have a say in any activity within the National Park intended to tackle it. This management plan objective should hopefully help achieve this aim.

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	development be vulnerable to flooding? Will greenhouse gasses be reduced?		
E4 - To maintain and enhance conditions for biodiversity and avoid irreversible losses or damage to designated nature conservation sites protected species and geological assets.	Will the option/policy protect and enhance internationally and locally designated biodiversity/geodiversity sites? (including SPAs, SACs, Ramsar Sites, SSSIs, SINCs, LNRs and RIGs) Will important habitats and species outside of protected sites be affected? Will the option/policy protect and enhance established tree cover or hedgerows which would be impossible to replace in the short to medium term? Will the objective help to deliver net gain?	Positive impact	The issue of biodiversity decline again affects younger people and generations to come as ecosystems provide many services they will depend on – they arguably have more of an interest in lessening their decline than older generations and they will feel the impacts more, hence this management plan objective directly supports the delivery of this SA objective.
E5 - To conserve and enhance the historic environment, heritage assets	Will historic features of interest (Conservation Areas, Listed Buildings, SAM, Areas of Archaeological importance and	Positive impact	Recorded as a positive impact – the historic and building stock contributes greatly to the character of the North York Moors and makes it a cherished landscape, and is also one of the reasons for its designation as a National Park in 1952. They are valued by all generations, and the involvement of younger people in their understanding and upkeep is vital to the future of this nationally designated

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and their settings and to help facilitate opportunities for greater access to and understanding of the historic environment.	Registered Parks and Gardens) be protected? Will non-designated heritage assets be protected? Will historic character be enhanced? Will the option/policy lead to a greater understanding of the historic environment?		landscape. The relationship between these objectives is therefore recorded as positive.
S1 - To foster and maintain vibrant local communities and encourage a sense of community and belonging.	Will the option/policy protect and enhance facilities that are important to local communities?	Positive impact	Local communities and their vibrancy are entirely dependent on their residents, both current and future. The age profile of the National Park greater skews towards older people. The retention of younger age cohorts, as well as attracting younger people to settle in the National Park is vital towards meeting this objective. Tackling the ‘missing generation’ problem is also key to maintaining the range of local services in villages – services such as schools are dependent on a younger population. The involvement of younger people in decisions about its future is therefore crucial. The relationship between these objectives is strongly positive.
S2 To provide affordable, decent housing in accessible locations to meet the needs of local people, including the young.	Will affordable housing be supported by the option/policy? Will affordable housing increase in line with demand in accessible locations?	Positive impact	Again, the relationship between these objectives is strongly positive. House prices and low incomes mean that the possibility of home ownership for younger age cohorts is a distant one. Both objectives specifically mention young people.

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S3 - To protect and enhance access to community facilities, leisure and recreation opportunities and access to the countryside.	Will the option/policy increase or decrease access to health/wellbeing and recreational facilities? Will the option/policy increase opportunities for access to the countryside?	Positive impact	Recorded as a positive impact –access to the countryside and the tourism and recreational opportunities is important to all generations. However the age profile of visitors tends to skew towards older cohorts. Increasing the availability of access for younger generations, as well as involving them in decision making supports this SA objective.
S4 - To make sure new development is easily accessible to essential services, to help reduce the need to travel and minimise the environmental impact of transport.	Will the option/policy result in shorter journeys to local services? Will the option/policy encourage development in locations where public transport is available? Will the policy encourage active travel such as walking/cycling on nearby PROW? Could the policy improve air quality by minimising the need to travel?	Positive impact	Recorded as a positive relationship – the link is arguably not direct but achievement of this SA objective helps contribute to issues of particular importance to younger people, particularly climate change. There are also lower levels of car ownership amongst younger generations, hence this ae cohort has a particular interest in delivering this objective.
EC1 - To strengthen and diversify the local economy by supporting a	Will the option/policy support local services and businesses? Will the option/policy create new jobs?	Positive impact	This is a positive relationship – the availability jobs, perhaps more than any factor would help rebalance the age structure of the National Park, as well as providing a livelihood for future generations. Younger people therefore have a greater interest in the delivery of this objective than other cohorts.

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range of opportunities for employment and training particularly in sustainable locations.	Will the option/policy increase access to jobs?		
EC2 - To support tourism and recreation industry by ensuring that development contributes to the local economy and provides opportunities for enjoying the Park's special qualities.	<p>Will new tourism proposals be supported by the option/policy?</p> <p>Will the option/policy support the retention of existing tourism related businesses?</p> <p>Will the option/policy support tourism businesses that provide a greater understanding of the special qualities of the National Park?</p>	Positive impact	As above, this is a positive relationship – tourism and recreation, along with agriculture make up around two thirds of all jobs in the National Park. The availability jobs in this sector can therefore provide additional job opportunities for younger people living and working in the National Park.

Conclusions

The draft objective will have positive impacts on the sustainability objectives. The involvement of younger people in decision-making affecting the National Park is crucial to its future – it's perhaps therefore not surprising that this management plan objective scores highly when it comes to meeting SA objectives.

Objective 14 - Ensure that all members of the public are able to enjoy the National Park using easy-to-use, well-marked rights of way and open access land

Audit Trail

Changes to be recorded after consultation on the draft Management Plan and this Sustainability Appraisal

Recommendations, including mitigation:

No changes recommended.

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SA Objective	Prompts	Impact on Objective	Effects and Mitigation
E1- To maintain and enhance the quality and character of the landscape of the North York Moors, including the special qualities of remoteness and tranquillity	<p>Will the National Park landscape and special qualities be protected and enhanced?</p> <p>Will landscape character improve?</p> <p>Will tranquillity improve or deteriorate?</p>	Uncertain impacts	<p>The relationship between these two objectives as arguably uncertain. The management plan objective seeks to maintain and improve access on rights of way and open access land across the management plan. There is an argument that increasing access could have negative impacts on tranquillity. However, in the remoter and more tranquil areas of the National Park it is unlikely that this management plan objective will make any discernible difference in terms of increasing visitor numbers to the point where tranquillity is materially affected. Policies also exist elsewhere (for example the Local Plan) to prevent new development undermining tranquillity. Addition, tranquillity is a perceptual quality which needs a person to enjoy – increasing access for more members of the public allows more people to enjoy the sense of tranquillity and remoteness available in the National Park.</p>

SA Objective	Prompts	Impact on Objective	Effects and Mitigation
E2 - To protect water, soil and air quality, and reduce pollution, and improve efficiency of water use.	<p>Will the policy/ option have an adverse impact on Groundwater Source Protection Zones or cause discharge into a river?</p> <p>Will best and most versatile Agricultural Land be protected?</p> <p>Would the policy option result in the re-use and clean-up of contaminated land?</p> <p>Would the option lead to the worsening of air quality?</p>	X No direct link	No direct link.
E3 - To reduce the causes of climate change and ensure future development is resilient to climate change, including reducing the impact of flooding and avoiding flood risk.	<p>Will the option/policy increase the resilience of habitats to climate change?</p> <p>Will the policy option/policy increase resilience to climate change risks such as lower water availability, increased subsidence or heatwaves?</p> <p>Will the option/policy increase surface or fluvial flooding or will</p>	Positive impact	Recorded as a slight positive relationship – well maintained rights of way can help reduce flood risk, plus they allow access for people coming into the National Park which helps increase awareness of the natural world and the threats to it. They can also encourage walking or cycling, possibly instead of using transport solutions which use fossil fuels, although it is accepted that most use of rights of way is for recreational purposes.

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	development be vulnerable to flooding? Will greenhouse gasses be reduced?		
E4 - To maintain and enhance conditions for biodiversity and avoid irreversible losses or damage to designated nature conservation sites protected species and geological assets.	Will the option/policy protect and enhance internationally and locally designated biodiversity/geodiversity sites? (including SPAs, SACs, Ramsar Sites, SSSIs, SINCs, LNRs and RIGs) Will important habitats and species outside of protected sites be affected? Will the option/policy protect and enhance established tree cover or hedgerows which would be impossible to replace in the short to medium term? Will the objective help to deliver net gain?	Uncertain Impacts	This is an uncertain impact – the availability of a well-marked right of way network can help manage visitor numbers in a way that avoids impact on designated sites. It's equally arguable that they allow public access to an area with a high number of such sites which risks damage – for example through fires or wear and tear through ongoing use.
E5 - To conserve and enhance the historic environment, heritage assets	Will historic features of interest (Conservation Areas, Listed Buildings, SAM, Areas of Archaeological importance and	X No direct link	No direct link.

SA Objective	Prompts	Impact on Objective	Effects and Mitigation
and their settings and to help facilitate opportunities for greater access to and understanding of the historic environment.	Registered Parks and Gardens) be protected? Will non-designated heritage assets be protected? Will historic character be enhanced? Will the option/policy lead to a greater understanding of the historic environment?		
S1 - To foster and maintain vibrant local communities and encourage a sense of community and belonging.	Will the option/policy protect and enhance facilities that are important to local communities?	X No direct link	No direct link.
S2 To provide affordable, decent housing in accessible locations to meet the needs of local people, including the young.	Will affordable housing be supported by the option/policy? Will affordable housing increase in line with demand in accessible locations?	X No direct link	No direct link.

SA Objective	Prompts	Impact on Objective	Effects and Mitigation
S3 - To protect and enhance access to community facilities, leisure and recreation opportunities and access to the countryside.	<p>Will the option/policy increase or decrease access to health/wellbeing and recreational facilities?</p> <p>Will the option/policy increase opportunities for access to the countryside?</p>	X No direct link	No direct link.
S4 - To make sure new development is easily accessible to essential services, to help reduce the need to travel and minimise the environmental impact of transport.	<p>Will the option/policy result in shorter journeys to local services?</p> <p>Will the option/policy encourage development in locations where public transport is available?</p> <p>Will the policy encourage active travel such as walking/cycling on nearby PROW?</p> <p>Could the policy improve air quality by minimising the need to travel?</p>	Positive impact	This is a positive relationship – a dense network of rights of way actively encourages walking/cycling between locations. It is however accepted that the majority of usage is for recreation.
EC1 - To strengthen and diversify the local economy by supporting a	<p>Will the option/policy support local services and businesses?</p> <p>Will the option/policy create new jobs?</p>	X No direct link	No direct link.

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range of opportunities for employment and training particularly in sustainable locations.	Will the option/policy increase access to jobs?		
EC2 - To support tourism and recreation industry by ensuring that development contributes to the local economy and provides opportunities for enjoying the Park's special qualities.	<p>Will new tourism proposals be supported by the option/policy?</p> <p>Will the option/policy support the retention of existing tourism related businesses?</p> <p>Will the option/policy support tourism businesses that provide a greater understanding of the special qualities of the National Park?</p>	Positive impact	This is a positive relationship – the rights of way network draws visitors and tourists into the National Park to enjoy them, which supports the tourism and recreation industry.

Conclusions

The draft objective has largely positive impacts on the SA objectives. The one area of uncertainty is whether dispersing visitors across the National Park through the network could have an impact on designated sites – they could also be said to manage visitor movements so as to avoid impact of these areas.

Objective 15 - Promote the North York Moors National Park as the premier recreational/ family cycling destination in the North of England

Audit Trail

Changes to be recorded after consultation on the draft Management Plan and this Sustainability Appraisal

Recommendations, including mitigation:

No changes recommended.

Key	Positive impact	X No direct link	Neutral link	Uncertain impacts	Negative impacts	Significant Negative Impact
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SA Objective	Prompts	Impact on Objective	Effects and Mitigation
E1- To maintain and enhance the quality and character of the landscape of the North York Moors, including the special qualities of remoteness and tranquillity	<p>Will the National Park landscape and special qualities be protected and enhanced?</p> <p>Will landscape character improve?</p> <p>Will tranquillity improve or deteriorate?</p>	Uncertain impacts	The relationship between these two objectives as arguably uncertain. The management plan objective seeks to improve the cycling 'offer' in the North York Moors. There is an argument that increasing the number of cyclists could have negative impacts on tranquillity. However, in the remoter and more tranquil areas of the National Park it is unlikely that this management plan objective will make any discernible difference in terms of increasing cycling to the point where tranquillity is materially affected. Policies also exist elsewhere (the Local Plan) to prevent new development undermining tranquillity. In addition, tranquillity is a perceptual quality which needs a person to enjoy – increasing access for more members of the public allows more people to enjoy the sense of tranquillity and remoteness available in the National Park.

SA Objective	Prompts	Impact on Objective	Effects and Mitigation
E2 - To protect water, soil and air quality, and reduce pollution, and improve efficiency of water use.	<p>Will the policy/ option have an adverse impact on Groundwater Source Protection Zones or cause discharge into a river?</p> <p>Will best and most versatile Agricultural Land be protected?</p> <p>Would the policy option result in the re-use and clean-up of contaminated land?</p> <p>Would the option lead to the worsening of air quality?</p>	X No direct link	No direct link.
E3 - To reduce the causes of climate change and ensure future development is resilient to climate change, including reducing the impact of flooding and avoiding flood risk.	<p>Will the option/policy increase the resilience of habitats to climate change?</p> <p>Will the policy option/policy increase resilience to climate change risks such as lower water availability, increased subsidence or heatwaves?</p> <p>Will the option/policy increase surface or fluvial flooding or will</p>	Positive impact	Recorded as a slight positive relationship –improving the cycling could mean more people coming into the National Park which helps increase awareness of the natural world and the threats to it. It also encourages cycling, possibly instead of using transport solutions which use fossil fuels. There is a slight risk that increased off road cycling could lead to damage to paths which could increase localised flood risk, however Objective 14 directly mitigates this risk by earmarking a priority to maintain their upkeep.

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	development be vulnerable to flooding? Will greenhouse gasses be reduced?		
E4 - To maintain and enhance conditions for biodiversity and avoid irreversible losses or damage to designated nature conservation sites protected species and geological assets.	Will the option/policy protect and enhance internationally and locally designated biodiversity/geodiversity sites? (including SPAs, SACs, Ramsar Sites, SSSIs, SINCs, LNRs and RIGs) Will important habitats and species outside of protected sites be affected? Will the option/policy protect and enhance established tree cover or hedgerows which would be impossible to replace in the short to medium term? Will the objective help to deliver net gain?	Uncertain Impacts	This is an uncertain impact – the availability of a well-marked cycle routes (both on and off road) network can help manage visitor numbers in a way that avoids impact on designated sites. It’s equally arguable that they allow public access to an area with a high number of such sites which risks damage.
E5 - To conserve and enhance the historic environment, heritage assets	Will historic features of interest (Conservation Areas, Listed Buildings, SAM, Areas of Archaeological importance and	X No direct link	No direct link.

SA Objective	Prompts	Impact on Objective	Effects and Mitigation
and their settings and to help facilitate opportunities for greater access to and understanding of the historic environment.	Registered Parks and Gardens) be protected? Will non-designated heritage assets be protected? Will historic character be enhanced? Will the option/policy lead to a greater understanding of the historic environment?		
S1 - To foster and maintain vibrant local communities and encourage a sense of community and belonging.	Will the option/policy protect and enhance facilities that are important to local communities?	X No direct link	No direct link.
S2 To provide affordable, decent housing in accessible locations to meet the needs of local people, including the young.	Will affordable housing be supported by the option/policy? Will affordable housing increase in line with demand in accessible locations?	X No direct link	No direct link.

SA Objective	Prompts	Impact on Objective	Effects and Mitigation
S3 - To protect and enhance access to community facilities, leisure and recreation opportunities and access to the countryside.	Will the option/policy increase or decrease access to health/wellbeing and recreational facilities? Will the option/policy increase opportunities for access to the countryside?	Positive impact	The objectives are mutually reinforcing – improving the cycle offer will allow greater access to the countryside using this mode. It may also help improve and/or create facilities geared towards meeting the needs of cyclists.
S4 - To make sure new development is easily accessible to essential services, to help reduce the need to travel and minimise the environmental impact of transport.	Will the option/policy result in shorter journeys to local services? Will the option/policy encourage development in locations where public transport is available? Will the policy encourage active travel such as walking/cycling on nearby PROW? Could the policy improve air quality by minimising the need to travel?	Positive impact	The objectives are mutually reinforcing – improving the cycle offer directly encourages the use of active travel instead of other modes.
EC1 - To strengthen and diversify the local economy by supporting a	Will the option/policy support local services and businesses? Will the option/policy create new jobs?	Positive impact	The management plan objective has a positive impact on this SA objective. It will help bring people into the National Park who may support local businesses, as well as improving the likelihood of starting new businesses to cater to cyclist's requirements.

SA Objective	Prompts	Impact on Objective	Effects and Mitigation
range of opportunities for employment and training particularly in sustainable locations.	Will the option/policy increase access to jobs?		
EC2 - To support tourism and recreation industry by ensuring that development contributes to the local economy and provides opportunities for enjoying the Park's special qualities.	<p>Will new tourism proposals be supported by the option/policy?</p> <p>Will the option/policy support the retention of existing tourism related businesses?</p> <p>Will the option/policy support tourism businesses that provide a greater understanding of the special qualities of the National Park?</p>	Positive impact	The management plan objective has a positive impact on this SA objective. It will help bring people into the National Park who will support tourism and recreational facilities.

Conclusions

The draft objective will have a positive impact on most SA objectives, however there is some uncertainty over a possible greater impact of tranquillity and designated sites should cycling numbers greatly increase.

Objective 16 - Work with businesses to establish regenerative tourism as a guiding principle and encourage visitors to make a positive contribution to the National Park

Audit Trail

Changes to be recorded after consultation on the draft Management Plan and this Sustainability Appraisal

Recommendations, including mitigation:

No changes recommended.

Key	Positive impact	X No direct link	Neutral link	Uncertain impacts	Negative impacts	Significant Negative Impact
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SA Objective	Prompts	Impact on Objective	Effects and Mitigation
E1- To maintain and enhance the quality and character of the landscape of the North York Moors, including the special qualities of remoteness and tranquillity	<p>Will the National Park landscape and special qualities be protected and enhanced?</p> <p>Will landscape character improve?</p> <p>Will tranquillity improve or deteriorate?</p>	Positive impact	The new management plan will replace the current version which aims to increase tourism numbers overall, and instead aims to influence the demographic of visitor numbers and the impact they have. This objective directly advocates a 'tread softly' approach to tourism impact and aims to manage tourism and recreation in a way that respects and enhances the special qualities of the National Park. The relationship between the two objectives is therefore broadly positive.

SA Objective	Prompts	Impact on Objective	Effects and Mitigation
E2 - To protect water, soil and air quality, and reduce pollution, and improve efficiency of water use.	<p>Will the policy/ option have an adverse impact on Groundwater Source Protection Zones or cause discharge into a river?</p> <p>Will best and most versatile Agricultural Land be protected?</p> <p>Would the policy option result in the re-use and clean-up of contaminated land?</p> <p>Would the option lead to the worsening of air quality?</p>	Positive impact	This a strong positive relationship – the concept of regenerative tourism aims to leave the National Park in a better state on exit than on entry. There could be initiatives developed where people coming into the National Park benefit from all that it can offer whilst undertaking activity that reduces water, soil and air pollution – for example litter picking or helping manage watercourses and their catchments to avoid run off into rivers.
E3 - To reduce the causes of climate change and ensure future development is resilient to climate change, including reducing the impact of flooding and avoiding flood risk.	<p>Will the option/policy increase the resilience of habitats to climate change?</p> <p>Will the policy option/policy increase resilience to climate change risks such as lower water availability, increased subsidence or heatwaves?</p> <p>Will the option/policy increase surface or fluvial flooding or will</p>	Positive impact	This a strong positive relationship. It could lead to initiatives where people coming into the National Park benefit from all that it can offer whilst undertaking activity that tackles climate change - for example tree planting or peatland restoration.

SA Objective	Prompts	Impact on Objective	Effects and Mitigation
	development be vulnerable to flooding? Will greenhouse gasses be reduced?		
E4 - To maintain and enhance conditions for biodiversity and avoid irreversible losses or damage to designated nature conservation sites protected species and geological assets.	Will the option/policy protect and enhance internationally and locally designated biodiversity/geodiversity sites? (including SPAs, SACs, Ramsar Sites, SSSIs, SINC, LNRs and RIGs) Will important habitats and species outside of protected sites be affected? Will the option/policy protect and enhance established tree cover or hedgerows which would be impossible to replace in the short to medium term? Will the objective help to deliver net gain?	Positive impact	This a strong positive relationship. People may come into the National Park and benefit from all that it can offer whilst undertaking activity that tackles nature recovery and improving biodiversity - for example removing invasive species or undertaking species recording.
E5 - To conserve and enhance the historic environment, heritage assets	Will historic features of interest (Conservation Areas, Listed Buildings, SAM, Areas of Archaeological importance and	Positive impact	This a strong positive relationship. There could be initiatives developed where people coming into the National Park undertake activity that tackles climate change - for historic building recording or working on buildings at risk.

SA Objective	Prompts	Impact on Objective	Effects and Mitigation
and their settings and to help facilitate opportunities for greater access to and understanding of the historic environment.	Registered Parks and Gardens) be protected? Will non-designated heritage assets be protected? Will historic character be enhanced? Will the option/policy lead to a greater understanding of the historic environment?		
S1 - To foster and maintain vibrant local communities and encourage a sense of community and belonging.	Will the option/policy protect and enhance facilities that are important to local communities?	X No direct link	No direct impact.
S2 To provide affordable, decent housing in accessible locations to meet the needs of local people, including the young.	Will affordable housing be supported by the option/policy? Will affordable housing increase in line with demand in accessible locations?	X No direct link	No direct impact.

SA Objective	Prompts	Impact on Objective	Effects and Mitigation
S3 - To protect and enhance access to community facilities, leisure and recreation opportunities and access to the countryside.	<p>Will the option/policy increase or decrease access to health/wellbeing and recreational facilities?</p> <p>Will the option/policy increase opportunities for access to the countryside?</p>	Positive impact	Recorded as mutually positive objectives – regenerative tourism is a growing market and may encourage people who have not previously visited the National Park.
S4 - To make sure new development is easily accessible to essential services, to help reduce the need to travel and minimise the environmental impact of transport.	<p>Will the option/policy result in shorter journeys to local services?</p> <p>Will the option/policy encourage development in locations where public transport is available?</p> <p>Will the policy encourage active travel such as walking/cycling on nearby PROW?</p> <p>Could the policy improve air quality by minimising the need to travel?</p>	X No direct link	No direct impact.
EC1 - To strengthen and diversify the local economy by supporting a	<p>Will the option/policy support local services and businesses?</p> <p>Will the option/policy create new jobs?</p>	Positive impact	Recorded as mutually positive objectives – regenerative tourism is a growing market and may help support new job growth.

SA Objective	Prompts	Impact on Objective	Effects and Mitigation
range of opportunities for employment and training particularly in sustainable locations.	Will the option/policy increase access to jobs?		
EC2 - To support tourism and recreation industry by ensuring that development contributes to the local economy and provides opportunities for enjoying the Park's special qualities.	<p>Will new tourism proposals be supported by the option/policy?</p> <p>Will the option/policy support the retention of existing tourism related businesses?</p> <p>Will the option/policy support tourism businesses that provide a greater understanding of the special qualities of the National Park?</p>	Positive impact	This is a positive relationship. Regenerative tourism is a growing market.

Conclusions

The draft objective will have a positive impact on most SA objectives.

Objective 17 - Increase the delivery of affordable housing above 2010-2020 levels to build at least 100 affordable homes in villages across the National Park by 2027; and lobby central government to agree to introduce a mechanism to control the conversion of existing housing to second or holiday homes

Audit Trail

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Recommendations, including mitigation:

No changes recommended.

Key	Positive impact	X No direct link	Neutral link	Uncertain impacts	Negative impacts	Significant Negative Impact
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SA Objective	Prompts	Impact on Objective	Effects and Mitigation
E1- To maintain and enhance the quality and character of the landscape of the North York Moors, including the special qualities of remoteness and tranquillity	Will the National Park landscape and special qualities be protected and enhanced? Will landscape character improve? Will tranquillity improve or deteriorate?	Neutral link	Neutral link – the objective envisages delivering 20 affordable homes per year across the National Park. This will not affect remoteness and tranquillity as there are policies in the Local Plan to make sure homes do not affect these special qualities. Any localised impacts on landscape will be assessed and mitigated through the design and planning process.

SA Objective	Prompts	Impact on Objective	Effects and Mitigation
E2 - To protect water, soil and air quality, and reduce pollution, and improve efficiency of water use.	<p>Will the policy/ option have an adverse impact on Groundwater Source Protection Zones or cause discharge into a river?</p> <p>Will best and most versatile Agricultural Land be protected?</p> <p>Would the policy option result in the re-use and clean-up of contaminated land?</p> <p>Would the option lead to the worsening of air quality?</p>	X No direct link	No direct link, although it's worth noting that newer housing should use water more efficiently than older stock unless retrofitting has been carried out.
E3 - To reduce the causes of climate change and ensure future development is resilient to climate change, including reducing the impact of flooding and avoiding flood risk.	<p>Will the option/policy increase the resilience of habitats to climate change?</p> <p>Will the policy option/policy increase resilience to climate change risks such as lower water availability, increased subsidence or heatwaves?</p> <p>Will the option/policy increase surface or fluvial flooding or will</p>	X No direct link	No direct link, although it's worth noting that newer housing should use energy more efficiently than older stock unless retrofitting has been carried out.

SA Objective	Prompts	Impact on Objective	Effects and Mitigation
	development be vulnerable to flooding? Will greenhouse gasses be reduced?		
E4 - To maintain and enhance conditions for biodiversity and avoid irreversible losses or damage to designated nature conservation sites protected species and geological assets.	Will the option/policy protect and enhance internationally and locally designated biodiversity/geodiversity sites? (including SPAs, SACs, Ramsar Sites, SSSIs, SINCs, LNRs and RIGs) Will important habitats and species outside of protected sites be affected? Will the option/policy protect and enhance established tree cover or hedgerows which would be impossible to replace in the short to medium term? Will the objective help to deliver net gain?	X No direct link	No direct link. Planning policies and statute exist to avoid the possibility of new homes damaging sites and the additional numbers proposed are not cumulatively significant.
E5 - To conserve and enhance the historic environment, heritage assets	Will historic features of interest (Conservation Areas, Listed Buildings, SAM, Areas of Archaeological importance and	X No direct link	No direct link.

SA Objective	Prompts	Impact on Objective	Effects and Mitigation
and their settings and to help facilitate opportunities for greater access to and understanding of the historic environment.	Registered Parks and Gardens) be protected? Will non-designated heritage assets be protected? Will historic character be enhanced? Will the option/policy lead to a greater understanding of the historic environment?		
S1 - To foster and maintain vibrant local communities and encourage a sense of community and belonging.	Will the option/policy protect and enhance facilities that are important to local communities?	Positive impact	This is a strong positive relationship – additional affordable housing will help bring people into villages.
S2 To provide affordable, decent housing in accessible locations to meet the needs of local people, including the young.	Will affordable housing be supported by the option/policy? Will affordable housing increase in line with demand in accessible locations?	Positive impact	This management plan objective is directly intended to deliver this SA objective.

SA Objective	Prompts	Impact on Objective	Effects and Mitigation
S3 - To protect and enhance access to community facilities, leisure and recreation opportunities and access to the countryside.	Will the option/policy increase or decrease access to health/wellbeing and recreational facilities? Will the option/policy increase opportunities for access to the countryside?	Positive impact	This is a positive relationship – additional affordable housing can help support local services.
S4 - To make sure new development is easily accessible to essential services, to help reduce the need to travel and minimise the environmental impact of transport.	Will the option/policy result in shorter journeys to local services? Will the option/policy encourage development in locations where public transport is available? Will the policy encourage active travel such as walking/cycling on nearby PROW? Could the policy improve air quality by minimising the need to travel?	Positive impact	This is a positive relationship – additional affordable housing can help support local services. Local Plan policies steer new development to more sustainable locations with a greater range of services and therefore act as a mitigating factor.
EC1 - To strengthen and diversify the local economy by supporting a	Will the option/policy support local services and businesses? Will the option/policy create new jobs?	Positive impact	The objectives are mutually reinforcing – additional affordable housing can increase access to local jobs.

SA Objective	Prompts	Impact on Objective	Effects and Mitigation
range of opportunities for employment and training particularly in sustainable locations.	Will the option/policy increase access to jobs?		
EC2 - To support tourism and recreation industry by ensuring that development contributes to the local economy and provides opportunities for enjoying the Park's special qualities.	<p>Will new tourism proposals be supported by the option/policy?</p> <p>Will the option/policy support the retention of existing tourism related businesses?</p> <p>Will the option/policy support tourism businesses that provide a greater understanding of the special qualities of the National Park?</p>	Positive impact	The objectives are mutually reinforcing, albeit only slightly. Additional affordable housing can provide homes for those working in the tourism and recreational economy.

Conclusions

The draft objective will have a positive impact on most SA objectives.

Objective 18 - Work to establish the North York Moors National Park as a leader in low-cost, low-carbon housing design through the development of at least one new-build exemplar scheme; and promote the deployment of sustainable materials and retrofitting measures in existing historic buildings

Audit Trail

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Recommendations, including mitigation:

No changes recommended.

Key	Positive impact	X No direct link	Neutral link	Uncertain impacts	Negative impacts	Significant Negative Impact
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SA Objective	Prompts	Impact on Objective	Effects and Mitigation
E1- To maintain and enhance the quality and character of the landscape of the North York Moors, including the special qualities of remoteness and tranquillity	Will the National Park landscape and special qualities be protected and enhanced? Will landscape character improve? Will tranquillity improve or deteriorate?	X No direct link	No direct link.

SA Objective	Prompts	Impact on Objective	Effects and Mitigation
E2 - To protect water, soil and air quality, and reduce pollution, and improve efficiency of water use.	<p>Will the policy/ option have an adverse impact on Groundwater Source Protection Zones or cause discharge into a river?</p> <p>Will best and most versatile Agricultural Land be protected?</p> <p>Would the policy option result in the re-use and clean-up of contaminated land?</p> <p>Would the option lead to the worsening of air quality?</p>	Positive impact	The objective will have a positive impact – in particular in terms of improving energy efficiency and water use in older building stock.
E3 - To reduce the causes of climate change and ensure future development is resilient to climate change, including reducing the impact of flooding and avoiding flood risk.	<p>Will the option/policy increase the resilience of habitats to climate change?</p> <p>Will the policy option/policy increase resilience to climate change risks such as lower water availability, increased subsidence or heatwaves?</p> <p>Will the option/policy increase surface or fluvial flooding or will</p>	Positive impact	This is a strong positive relationship. The policy directly aims to improve the energy efficiency of the building stock, thereby decreasing carbon emissions.

SA Objective	Prompts	Impact on Objective	Effects and Mitigation
	development be vulnerable to flooding? Will greenhouse gasses be reduced?		
E4 - To maintain and enhance conditions for biodiversity and avoid irreversible losses or damage to designated nature conservation sites protected species and geological assets.	Will the option/policy protect and enhance internationally and locally designated biodiversity/geodiversity sites? (including SPAs, SACs, Ramsar Sites, SSSIs, SINCs, LNRs and RIGs) Will important habitats and species outside of protected sites be affected? Will the option/policy protect and enhance established tree cover or hedgerows which would be impossible to replace in the short to medium term? Will the objective help to deliver net gain?	X No direct link	No direct link.
E5 - To conserve and enhance the historic environment, heritage assets	Will historic features of interest (Conservation Areas, Listed Buildings, SAM, Areas of Archaeological importance and	Positive impact	This is a (slight) positive relationship. The policy may enable the reuse of abandoned heritage assets, however the link between these two objectives, whilst positive is weak.

SA Objective	Prompts	Impact on Objective	Effects and Mitigation
and their settings and to help facilitate opportunities for greater access to and understanding of the historic environment.	Registered Parks and Gardens) be protected? Will non-designated heritage assets be protected? Will historic character be enhanced? Will the option/policy lead to a greater understanding of the historic environment?		
S1 - To foster and maintain vibrant local communities and encourage a sense of community and belonging.	Will the option/policy protect and enhance facilities that are important to local communities?	X No direct link	No direct link.
S2 To provide affordable, decent housing in accessible locations to meet the needs of local people, including the young.	Will affordable housing be supported by the option/policy? Will affordable housing increase in line with demand in accessible locations?	Positive impact	The objective will have a positive impact should the exemplar scheme envisaged by this management plan objective be for the delivery of affordable housing.

SA Objective	Prompts	Impact on Objective	Effects and Mitigation
S3 - To protect and enhance access to community facilities, leisure and recreation opportunities and access to the countryside.	<p>Will the option/policy increase or decrease access to health/wellbeing and recreational facilities?</p> <p>Will the option/policy increase opportunities for access to the countryside?</p>	X No direct link	No direct link.
S4 - To make sure new development is easily accessible to essential services, to help reduce the need to travel and minimise the environmental impact of transport.	<p>Will the option/policy result in shorter journeys to local services?</p> <p>Will the option/policy encourage development in locations where public transport is available?</p> <p>Will the policy encourage active travel such as walking/cycling on nearby PROW?</p> <p>Could the policy improve air quality by minimising the need to travel?</p>	X No direct link	No direct link.
EC1 - To strengthen and diversify the local economy by supporting a	<p>Will the option/policy support local services and businesses?</p> <p>Will the option/policy create new jobs?</p>	Positive impact	There is some degree of synergy between these objectives – t’s possible that the need to retrofit new buildings could boost or enable local jobs.

SA Objective	Prompts	Impact on Objective	Effects and Mitigation
range of opportunities for employment and training particularly in sustainable locations.	Will the option/policy increase access to jobs?		
EC2 - To support tourism and recreation industry by ensuring that development contributes to the local economy and provides opportunities for enjoying the Park's special qualities.	<p>Will new tourism proposals be supported by the option/policy?</p> <p>Will the option/policy support the retention of existing tourism related businesses?</p> <p>Will the option/policy support tourism businesses that provide a greater understanding of the special qualities of the National Park?</p>	X No direct link	No direct link.

Conclusions

The draft objective will have a positive impact on most SA objectives.

Objective 19 - Enable resilient communities where residents are able to meet their basic needs, by identifying any existing gaps in provision and developing community hubs to service a wider catchment or areas where services can be shared

Audit Trail

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Recommendations, including mitigation:

No changes recommended.

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SA Objective	Prompts	Impact on Objective	Effects and Mitigation
E1- To maintain and enhance the quality and character of the landscape of the North York Moors, including the special qualities of remoteness and tranquillity	Will the National Park landscape and special qualities be protected and enhanced? Will landscape character improve? Will tranquillity improve or deteriorate?	X No direct link	No direct link.

SA Objective	Prompts	Impact on Objective	Effects and Mitigation
E2 - To protect water, soil and air quality, and reduce pollution, and improve efficiency of water use.	<p>Will the policy/ option have an adverse impact on Groundwater Source Protection Zones or cause discharge into a river?</p> <p>Will best and most versatile Agricultural Land be protected?</p> <p>Would the policy option result in the re-use and clean-up of contaminated land?</p> <p>Would the option lead to the worsening of air quality?</p>	X No direct link	No direct link.
E3 - To reduce the causes of climate change and ensure future development is resilient to climate change, including reducing the impact of flooding and avoiding flood risk.	<p>Will the option/policy increase the resilience of habitats to climate change?</p> <p>Will the policy option/policy increase resilience to climate change risks such as lower water availability, increased subsidence or heatwaves?</p> <p>Will the option/policy increase surface or fluvial flooding or will</p>	Positive impact	These objectives are mutually reinforcing - increased access to local services can help reduce CO2 emissions.

SA Objective	Prompts	Impact on Objective	Effects and Mitigation
	development be vulnerable to flooding? Will greenhouse gasses be reduced?		
E4 - To maintain and enhance conditions for biodiversity and avoid irreversible losses or damage to designated nature conservation sites protected species and geological assets.	Will the option/policy protect and enhance internationally and locally designated biodiversity/geodiversity sites? (including SPAs, SACs, Ramsar Sites, SSSIs, SINC, LNRs and RIGs) Will important habitats and species outside of protected sites be affected? Will the option/policy protect and enhance established tree cover or hedgerows which would be impossible to replace in the short to medium term? Will the objective help to deliver net gain?	X No direct link	No direct link.
E5 - To conserve and enhance the historic environment, heritage assets	Will historic features of interest (Conservation Areas, Listed Buildings, SAM, Areas of Archaeological importance and	X No direct link	No direct link.

SA Objective	Prompts	Impact on Objective	Effects and Mitigation
and their settings and to help facilitate opportunities for greater access to and understanding of the historic environment.	Registered Parks and Gardens) be protected? Will non-designated heritage assets be protected? Will historic character be enhanced? Will the option/policy lead to a greater understanding of the historic environment?		
S1 - To foster and maintain vibrant local communities and encourage a sense of community and belonging.	Will the option/policy protect and enhance facilities that are important to local communities?	Positive impact	This management plan objective directly supports this objective by helping provide services that can help engender a sense of community.
S2 To provide affordable, decent housing in accessible locations to meet the needs of local people, including the young.	Will affordable housing be supported by the option/policy? Will affordable housing increase in line with demand in accessible locations?	Positive impact	There is a slight correlation between the two objectives as population increases resulting from additional affordable housing can help support local community facilities.

SA Objective	Prompts	Impact on Objective	Effects and Mitigation
S3 - To protect and enhance access to community facilities, leisure and recreation opportunities and access to the countryside.	<p>Will the option/policy increase or decrease access to health/wellbeing and recreational facilities?</p> <p>Will the option/policy increase opportunities for access to the countryside?</p>	Positive impact	This is a strong positive relationship. The policy directly aims to provide additional accessible local community facilities.
S4 - To make sure new development is easily accessible to essential services, to help reduce the need to travel and minimise the environmental impact of transport.	<p>Will the option/policy result in shorter journeys to local services?</p> <p>Will the option/policy encourage development in locations where public transport is available?</p> <p>Will the policy encourage active travel such as walking/cycling on nearby PROW?</p> <p>Could the policy improve air quality by minimising the need to travel?</p>	Positive impact	This is a strong positive relationship. The policy directly aims to provide additional accessible local community facilities.
EC1 - To strengthen and diversify the local economy by supporting a	<p>Will the option/policy support local services and businesses?</p> <p>Will the option/policy create new jobs?</p>	Positive impact	This is positive relationship. The policy directly aims to provide additional accessible local community facilities which could support new or existing jobs.

SA Objective	Prompts	Impact on Objective	Effects and Mitigation
range of opportunities for employment and training particularly in sustainable locations.	Will the option/policy increase access to jobs?		
EC2 - To support tourism and recreation industry by ensuring that development contributes to the local economy and provides opportunities for enjoying the Park's special qualities.	<p>Will new tourism proposals be supported by the option/policy?</p> <p>Will the option/policy support the retention of existing tourism related businesses?</p> <p>Will the option/policy support tourism businesses that provide a greater understanding of the special qualities of the National Park?</p>	X No direct link	No direct link.

Conclusions

The draft objective will have a positive impact on most SA objectives.

Objective 20 - Facilitate local solutions to ensure superfast broadband and/or mobile phone coverage is available to 100 percent of households in the National Park by 2030

Audit Trail

Changes to be recorded after consultation on the draft Management Plan and this Sustainability Appraisal

Recommendations, including mitigation:

No changes recommended.

Key	Positive impact	X No direct link	Neutral link	Uncertain impacts	Negative impacts	Significant Negative Impact
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SA Objective	Prompts	Impact on Objective	Effects and Mitigation
E1- To maintain and enhance the quality and character of the landscape of the North York Moors, including the special qualities of remoteness and tranquillity	<p>Will the National Park landscape and special qualities be protected and enhanced?</p> <p>Will landscape character improve?</p> <p>Will tranquillity improve or deteriorate?</p>	Uncertain Impacts	This is marked as uncertain as it is not known whether additional infrastructure will be required to the point where it could have implications for the quality of the landscape. As the management plan is a high level strategic plan this (high level and aspirational) objective cannot be directly assessed. However the overall scale of change envisaged are likely to be small or minimal and there are other safeguards in place (particularly planning policies) to mitigate impact. The effects are however uncertain.

SA Objective	Prompts	Impact on Objective	Effects and Mitigation
E2 - To protect water, soil and air quality, and reduce pollution, and improve efficiency of water use.	<p>Will the policy/ option have an adverse impact on Groundwater Source Protection Zones or cause discharge into a river?</p> <p>Will best and most versatile Agricultural Land be protected?</p> <p>Would the policy option result in the re-use and clean-up of contaminated land?</p> <p>Would the option lead to the worsening of air quality?</p>	X No direct link	No direct link.
E3 - To reduce the causes of climate change and ensure future development is resilient to climate change, including reducing the impact of flooding and avoiding flood risk.	<p>Will the option/policy increase the resilience of habitats to climate change?</p> <p>Will the policy option/policy increase resilience to climate change risks such as lower water availability, increased subsidence or heatwaves?</p> <p>Will the option/policy increase surface or fluvial flooding or will</p>	Positive impact	There is slight positive link as increase use of advanced telecommunications can reduce the need to travel to work or access services.

SA Objective	Prompts	Impact on Objective	Effects and Mitigation
	development be vulnerable to flooding? Will greenhouse gasses be reduced?		
E4 - To maintain and enhance conditions for biodiversity and avoid irreversible losses or damage to designated nature conservation sites protected species and geological assets.	Will the option/policy protect and enhance internationally and locally designated biodiversity/geodiversity sites? (including SPAs, SACs, Ramsar Sites, SSSIs, SINCs, LNRs and RIGs) Will important habitats and species outside of protected sites be affected? Will the option/policy protect and enhance established tree cover or hedgerows which would be impossible to replace in the short to medium term? Will the objective help to deliver net gain?	Neutral link	Neutral link – there is possible implications in terms of the siting of new equipment, however the level of new equipment needed will likely be minimal and there remain safeguards in place to make sure new broadband or mobile equipment does not reduce biodiversity.
E5 - To conserve and enhance the historic environment, heritage assets	Will historic features of interest (Conservation Areas, Listed Buildings, SAM, Areas of Archaeological importance and	X No direct link	No direct link.

SA Objective	Prompts	Impact on Objective	Effects and Mitigation
and their settings and to help facilitate opportunities for greater access to and understanding of the historic environment.	Registered Parks and Gardens) be protected? Will non-designated heritage assets be protected? Will historic character be enhanced? Will the option/policy lead to a greater understanding of the historic environment?		
S1 - To foster and maintain vibrant local communities and encourage a sense of community and belonging.	Will the option/policy protect and enhance facilities that are important to local communities?	Positive impact	There is a slight positive relationship as fast telecommunications can help support local services that bring together people in local communities.
S2 To provide affordable, decent housing in accessible locations to meet the needs of local people, including the young.	Will affordable housing be supported by the option/policy? Will affordable housing increase in line with demand in accessible locations?	X No direct link	No direct link.
S3 - To protect and enhance	Will the option/policy increase or decrease	Positive impact	There is a slight positive relationship as fast telecommunications can help support local facilities and allow access to remote services.

SA Objective	Prompts	Impact on Objective	Effects and Mitigation
access to community facilities, leisure and recreation opportunities and access to the countryside.	access to health/wellbeing and recreational facilities? Will the option/policy increase opportunities for access to the countryside?		
S4 - To make sure new development is easily accessible to essential services, to help reduce the need to travel and minimise the environmental impact of transport.	Will the option/policy result in shorter journeys to local services? Will the option/policy encourage development in locations where public transport is available? Will the policy encourage active travel such as walking/cycling on nearby PROW? Could the policy improve air quality by minimising the need to travel?	Positive impact	There is a positive relationship as fast telecommunications can allow access to essential services remotely which can reduce the need to travel.
EC1 - To strengthen and diversify the local economy by supporting a range of opportunities	Will the option/policy support local services and businesses? Will the option/policy create new jobs? Will the option/policy increase access to jobs?	Positive impact	These objectives are mutually reinforcing – the presence of high speed telecommunications typically a pre-requisite for successful local businesses and allow local business to access wider markets and advice and support from outside the National Park.

SA Objective	Prompts	Impact on Objective	Effects and Mitigation
for employment and training particularly in sustainable locations.			
EC2 - To support tourism and recreation industry by ensuring that development contributes to the local economy and provides opportunities for enjoying the Park's special qualities.	<p>Will new tourism proposals be supported by the option/policy?</p> <p>Will the option/policy support the retention of existing tourism related businesses?</p> <p>Will the option/policy support tourism businesses that provide a greater understanding of the special qualities of the National Park?</p>	Positive impact	Again, local tourism businesses are often highly reliant on broadband infrastructure to market that business to a global market. These objectives are therefore complementary.

Conclusions

The draft objective will have a positive impact on most SA objectives. The only area of uncertainty is over whether additional infrastructure could have an impact on landscape – however in reality the scale of cage is likely to be small and the effects minimal – mitigating measure also exist in other policy documents or through statutory responsibilities.

Objective 21 - Provide opportunities that attract, upskill and retain a local workforce working in high value, knowledge-intensive jobs and the 'green' or 'landscape' economy

Audit Trail

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Recommendations, including mitigation:

No changes recommended.

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SA Objective	Prompts	Impact on Objective	Effects and Mitigation
E1- To maintain and enhance the quality and character of the landscape of the North York Moors, including the special qualities of remoteness and tranquillity	<p>Will the National Park landscape and special qualities be protected and enhanced?</p> <p>Will landscape character improve?</p> <p>Will tranquillity improve or deteriorate?</p>	Positive impact	Any additional job opportunities in the 'green' or landscape economy are likely be directly contributing to delivering National Park purposes – for example through the delivery of Environmental Land Management scheme initiatives.

SA Objective	Prompts	Impact on Objective	Effects and Mitigation
E2 - To protect water, soil and air quality, and reduce pollution, and improve efficiency of water use.	<p>Will the policy/ option have an adverse impact on Groundwater Source Protection Zones or cause discharge into a river?</p> <p>Will best and most versatile Agricultural Land be protected?</p> <p>Would the policy option result in the re-use and clean-up of contaminated land?</p> <p>Would the option lead to the worsening of air quality?</p>		As above, any additional job opportunities in the 'green' or landscape economy could be directly working towards improving soil or water quality, including through the delivery of Environmental Land Management schemes initiatives. These objectives are therefore mutually reinforcing.
E3 - To reduce the causes of climate change and ensure future development is resilient to climate change, including reducing the impact of flooding and avoiding flood risk.	<p>Will the option/policy increase the resilience of habitats to climate change?</p> <p>Will the policy option/policy increase resilience to climate change risks such as lower water availability, increased subsidence or heatwaves?</p> <p>Will the option/policy increase surface or fluvial flooding or will</p>	Positive impact	As above, any additional job opportunities in the 'green' or landscape economy could be directly working towards combatting the causes and effects of climate change. These objectives are therefore mutually reinforcing.

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	development be vulnerable to flooding? Will greenhouse gasses be reduced?		
E4 - To maintain and enhance conditions for biodiversity and avoid irreversible losses or damage to designated nature conservation sites protected species and geological assets.	Will the option/policy protect and enhance internationally and locally designated biodiversity/geodiversity sites? (including SPAs, SACs, Ramsar Sites, SSSIs, SINCs, LNRs and RIGs) Will important habitats and species outside of protected sites be affected? Will the option/policy protect and enhance established tree cover or hedgerows which would be impossible to replace in the short to medium term? Will the objective help to deliver net gain?	Positive impact	As above, any additional job opportunities in the 'green' or landscape economy could be directly working towards delivering nature recovery. These objectives are therefore mutually reinforcing.
E5 - To conserve and enhance the historic environment, heritage assets	Will historic features of interest (Conservation Areas, Listed Buildings, SAM, Areas of Archaeological importance and	Positive impact	As above, any additional job opportunities in the 'green' or landscape economy could be directly working towards repairing/protecting historic buildings and monuments – initiatives can be funded through Environmental Land Management scheme initiatives. These objectives are therefore mutually reinforcing.

SA Objective	Prompts	Impact on Objective	Effects and Mitigation
and their settings and to help facilitate opportunities for greater access to and understanding of the historic environment.	Registered Parks and Gardens) be protected? Will non-designated heritage assets be protected? Will historic character be enhanced? Will the option/policy lead to a greater understanding of the historic environment?		
S1 - To foster and maintain vibrant local communities and encourage a sense of community and belonging.	Will the option/policy protect and enhance facilities that are important to local communities?	Positive impact	The relationship between these objectives is a positive one as a working population contributes to vibrant local communities.
S2 To provide affordable, decent housing in accessible locations to meet the needs of local people, including the young.	Will affordable housing be supported by the option/policy? Will affordable housing increase in line with demand in accessible locations?	X No direct link	No direct link.

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S3 - To protect and enhance access to community facilities, leisure and recreation opportunities and access to the countryside.	<p>Will the option/policy increase or decrease access to health/wellbeing and recreational facilities?</p> <p>Will the option/policy increase opportunities for access to the countryside?</p>	X No direct link	No direct link.
S4 - To make sure new development is easily accessible to essential services, to help reduce the need to travel and minimise the environmental impact of transport.	<p>Will the option/policy result in shorter journeys to local services?</p> <p>Will the option/policy encourage development in locations where public transport is available?</p> <p>Will the policy encourage active travel such as walking/cycling on nearby PROW?</p> <p>Could the policy improve air quality by minimising the need to travel?</p>	X No direct link	No direct link.
EC1 - To strengthen and diversify the local economy by supporting a	<p>Will the option/policy support local services and businesses?</p> <p>Will the option/policy create new jobs?</p>	Positive impact	No direct link.

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range of opportunities for employment and training particularly in sustainable locations.	Will the option/policy increase access to jobs?		
EC2 - To support tourism and recreation industry by ensuring that development contributes to the local economy and provides opportunities for enjoying the Park's special qualities.	<p>Will new tourism proposals be supported by the option/policy?</p> <p>Will the option/policy support the retention of existing tourism related businesses?</p> <p>Will the option/policy support tourism businesses that provide a greater understanding of the special qualities of the National Park?</p>	Positive impact	There is a positive link between these objectives as successful implement may boost jobs in the tourism and recreational sector.

Conclusions

The draft objective will have a positive impact on most SA objectives.

Objective 22 - Maintain a strong and viable farming and land management community that delivers more for climate, nature, people and place

Audit Trail

Changes to be recorded after consultation on the draft Management Plan and this Sustainability Appraisal

Recommendations, including mitigation:

No changes recommended.

Key	Positive impact	X No direct link	Neutral link	Uncertain impacts	Negative impacts	Significant Negative Impact
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E1- To maintain and enhance the quality and character of the landscape of the North York Moors, including the special qualities of remoteness and tranquillity	<p>Will the National Park landscape and special qualities be protected and enhanced?</p> <p>Will landscape character improve?</p> <p>Will tranquillity improve or deteriorate?</p>	Positive impact	There is a likely strong connection between these two objectives. The landscapes of the North York Moors are a managed landscape and are dependent on those working the land. The transition to the 'public money for public goods' model of subsidy may offer additional opportunities to undertake landscape enhancement, particularly if 'landscape scale' Environmental Land Management scheme initiatives are implemented.

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E2 - To protect water, soil and air quality, and reduce pollution, and improve efficiency of water use.	<p>Will the policy/ option have an adverse impact on Groundwater Source Protection Zones or cause discharge into a river?</p> <p>Will best and most versatile Agricultural Land be protected?</p> <p>Would the policy option result in the re-use and clean-up of contaminated land?</p> <p>Would the option lead to the worsening of air quality?</p>	Positive impact	There is a strong positive link between these objectives – the management plan objective intends to deliver more for nature and climate and this could have direct positive impacts on soil, air and water quality through initiatives such as low intervention ploughing, water management and planting of habitat to aid nature recovery.
E3 - To reduce the causes of climate change and ensure future development is resilient to climate change, including reducing the impact of flooding and avoiding flood risk.	<p>Will the option/policy increase the resilience of habitats to climate change?</p> <p>Will the policy option/policy increase resilience to climate change risks such as lower water availability, increased subsidence or heatwaves?</p> <p>Will the option/policy increase surface or fluvial flooding or will</p>	Positive impact	This management plan objective will directly support this SA objective – changes to land management to aid nature recovery and combat climate change are key to agricultural reforms. Flood prevention also a ‘public good’ that can be funded through the new Environmental Land Management scheme initiatives.

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	development be vulnerable to flooding? Will greenhouse gasses be reduced?		
E4 - To maintain and enhance conditions for biodiversity and avoid irreversible losses or damage to designated nature conservation sites protected species and geological assets.	Will the option/policy protect and enhance internationally and locally designated biodiversity/geodiversity sites? (including SPAs, SACs, Ramsar Sites, SSSIs, SINC, LNRs and RIGs) Will important habitats and species outside of protected sites be affected? Will the option/policy protect and enhance established tree cover or hedgerows which would be impossible to replace in the short to medium term? Will the objective help to deliver net gain?	Positive impact	Again, nature recovery is a key feature of the transition from former EU subsidies which primarily aimed to support food produced to monies for wider 'public goods', which can include land management to support nature recovery and resilient habitats. Successful implementation of this objective will there directly support this SA objective.
E5 - To conserve and enhance the historic environment, heritage assets	Will historic features of interest (Conservation Areas, Listed Buildings, SAM, Areas of Archaeological importance and	Positive impact	Land managers with the National Park will be offered monies through the new Environmental Land Management scheme to deliver public goods – which can include the upkeep and repair of the historic built environment. Delivery of this management plan objective there could also deliver this SA objective.

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and their settings and to help facilitate opportunities for greater access to and understanding of the historic environment.	Registered Parks and Gardens) be protected? Will non-designated heritage assets be protected? Will historic character be enhanced? Will the option/policy lead to a greater understanding of the historic environment?		
S1 - To foster and maintain vibrant local communities and encourage a sense of community and belonging.	Will the option/policy protect and enhance facilities that are important to local communities?	Positive impact	This is a positive link – land management helps deliver the landscapes and buildings that are so cherished as part of the National Park, and the farming community is integral to its communities. Any decline in land management activity could therefore threaten community resilience. The management plan objective will there support this SA objective.
S2 To provide affordable, decent housing in accessible locations to meet the needs of local people, including the young.	Will affordable housing be supported by the option/policy? Will affordable housing increase in line with demand in accessible locations?	Neutral link	Recorded as a neutral link -on the one hand new affordable housing may be needed to house workers employed in land management, on the other additional jobs could bring additional housing pressures. Overall however it is likely that those working in land management will be already housed, or housed on estates or elsewhere and new affordable housing will be directed to villages.

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S3 - To protect and enhance access to community facilities, leisure and recreation opportunities and access to the countryside.	<p>Will the option/policy increase or decrease access to health/wellbeing and recreational facilities?</p> <p>Will the option/policy increase opportunities for access to the countryside?</p>	Positive impact	There is a slight positive link – a thriving land management sector can deliver public benefits such as maintenance of rights of way. Farm diversification proposals for tourism and recreational development can also help support his objective.
S4 - To make sure new development is easily accessible to essential services, to help reduce the need to travel and minimise the environmental impact of transport.	<p>Will the option/policy result in shorter journeys to local services?</p> <p>Will the option/policy encourage development in locations where public transport is available?</p> <p>Will the policy encourage active travel such as walking/cycling on nearby PROW?</p> <p>Could the policy improve air quality by minimising the need to travel?</p>		No direct link.
EC1 - To strengthen and diversify the local economy by supporting a	<p>Will the option/policy support local services and businesses?</p> <p>Will the option/policy create new jobs?</p>	Positive impact	This is a positive link – the changes to agricultural practice are likely to require new knowledge of and the transfer of expertise which will require training opportunities. It will also like create some new jobs. There is a possibility that less intensive land management and ageing and retiring of those currently working in agriculture may reduce job numbers in that sector overall, however the intention

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range of opportunities for employment and training particularly in sustainable locations.	Will the option/policy increase access to jobs?		of this management plan objective is to support that transition, and this makes these two objectives complementary in terms of what they are seeking to achieve.
EC2 - To support tourism and recreation industry by ensuring that development contributes to the local economy and provides opportunities for enjoying the Park's special qualities.	<p>Will new tourism proposals be supported by the option/policy?</p> <p>Will the option/policy support the retention of existing tourism related businesses?</p> <p>Will the option/policy support tourism businesses that provide a greater understanding of the special qualities of the National Park?</p>	Positive impact	This is slight positive link but there are also some uncertainties. Elsewhere in the management plan Objective 16 supports jobs within 'regenerative tourism' – which could include activity on farms. This relationship is therefore recorded as positive.

Conclusions

The draft objective will have a positive impact on most SA objectives.