

# North York Moors Management Plan

## Delivery and Monitoring Plan

### Delivery Plan

A new **North York Moors Management Plan Partnership Delivery Group** will be established. This group should meet periodically (at least every six months) to:

1. Develop & consider action plans to meet Management Plan objectives
2. Monitor delivery progress by key partners
3. Bring relevant data to help monitor key performance indicators and support the production of an annual monitoring report
4. Hold each other to account on the delivery of individual and collective responsibilities under the Plan
5. Help gather evidence and insight needed to inform further reviews of the Management Plan
6. Share insight and experience in delivering Management Plan objectives

**Membership:** It should comprise a group of key public bodies that are charged with the delivery of responsibilities under the Duty of Regard including Natural England, Forestry Commission/ FE, Environment Agency, Historic England, NYC, R&CBC. The delivery group should be Officer led (e.g. by CEO) with representation at a senior level to secure cross-organisational ownership.

Additionally, a new Management Plan **Stakeholder Forum** will be convened to meet at least annually to consider progress with delivery, identify critical pressures and challenges that might impinge on delivery and take account of political, economic, social and other pressures that may warrant changes in direction in future plans. The purpose of this group would be to review/assess specific outcomes and impacts arising from implementation of the Management Plan. This group should comprise the main representative bodies with a stake in owning and delivering the Management Plan. In addition to public bodies this should include farming and landowning organisations, Wildlife Trust, National Trust, the North York Moors Tourism Network, and other organisations that supported the Plan through the Thematic Working Groups.

Given the importance of the support of private landowners in delivering the Plan, the Estate Representatives Forum should be regularised to help consider the contribution of individual landowners and landowning businesses to the delivery of the plan and awareness of objectives and targets that are set. The Local Access Forum continues to act as a forum for bringing together recreational user interests.

### **State of the National Park Report and Annual Monitoring Statement**

It is proposed that the Authority produces:

A '**State of the National Park Report**' at each Management Plan review trigger point (likely every five years). This is intended to:

- Provide a commentary on how well previous plans have performed
- Identify issues that the new plan will need to address
- Provide a 'snapshot' of the information we know about the National Park at the time to an outside audience. It would cover demographics, land use, nature recovery, climate change measures, tourism & recreation, new development (including affordable housing), economic data etc.

A '**Annual Monitoring Statement,**' measuring progress against outcomes and objectives in the current Management Plan.

**Proposed framework:**

Objective	How will it be delivered?	How will it be measured?	Data Source	Key delivery partners
<p><b>Objective 1</b> - The National Park should play a significant part in achieving the regional ambition of being a carbon negative economy by 2040</p>	<p>Primarily through delivery of objectives 2, 3, 4, 6, 8 and 15.</p> <p>Through creation of a Climate Change Action Plan identifying most viable reduction pathways.</p>	<p>1. CO2 emissions across the National Park are in line with the identified carbon pathway from the 2019 baseline position</p>	<p>A greenhouse gas emissions assessment and target recommendations report</p>	<p>NYMNPA, Natural England</p>
<p><b>Objective 2</b> – Capture and store carbon through creating at least 2,500 hectares of additional wooded habitat by 2032</p>	<p>Through the creation and delivery of a woodland strategy/action plan.</p> <p>Through the delivery of the Nature Recovery Network.</p> <p>Through delivery of Woodsmith Mines s106 mitigation monies.</p> <p>Through delivery of FIPL/ELM monies.</p> <p>Through delivery of Ryevitalise Landscape Partnership</p>	<p>2. At least 2,500 hectares of additional wooded habitat by 2032</p>	<p>Natural England MEOP data/National Forest Inventory</p>	<p>NYMNPA, Natural England, Forestry Commission, Forestry England, local estates &amp; landowners.</p>
<p><b>Objective 3</b> - Capture and store carbon by ensuring all degraded blanket bogs and peat habitats in the National Park are under active restoration by 2032.</p>	<p>Completion of a peat assessment and restoration action plan by March 2023</p>	<p>3. Restoration commenced on 2500 hectares by 2027</p>	<p>NYMNPA/partner monitoring data</p>	<p>NYMNPA, Natural England, Moorland Association, Local Estates, Yorkshire Peat Partnership.</p>

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<p><b>Objective 4</b> - Protect, restore, and improve soils across the National Park</p>	<p>Through working with land managers.</p> <p>Through delivery of FIPL/ELM schemes.</p> <p>Through invasive species eradication.</p>	<p>4. Hectares of improved grassland soils and arable and horticultural soils delivered through ELM/FIPL schemes</p> <p><b>Case study - At least 200 land managers engaged to raise awareness of soil health by 2027 (100 by 2022/23)</b></p>	<p>NYMNPA/NE data</p>	<p>NYMNPA, Natural England, local estates and landowners, NFU, CLA.</p>
<p><b>Objective 5</b> - Achieve good status on at least 40 % of water bodies by 2027 and support the improvement of the marine and coastal habitat</p>	<p>Through Ryevitalise, Esk &amp; Coastal streams catchment partnership.</p> <p>Through FIPL and ELM schemes.</p> <p>Through the ‘Blue Corridors’ project.</p> <p>Through the Yorkshire Marine Nature Partnership.</p> <p>Through work with land managers to continue improvement works on water bodies such as agricultural infrastructure and management.</p> <p>Through invasive species control, improvements to septic facilities and monitoring.</p> <p>Through Forestry England’s ongoing beaver project.</p>	<p>5. Water Framework Classifications - Achieve good status on at least 40 percent of water bodies by 2027</p>	<p>Environment Agency</p>	<p>NYMNPA, Environment Agency, Ryevitalise, Esk &amp; Coastal streams catchment partnership, Yorkshire Marine Nature Partnership, local estates and landowners, Yorkshire Water</p>

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	Through long term funded landscape scale projects (Objective 7). Through the Woodsmith Mine Section 106 Agreement (Landscape & Ecology).			
<b>Objective 6</b> - Create bigger, better and more joined-up habitats, with nature-rich wildlife corridors extending beyond the National Park boundaries	Through development and delivery of a Local Nature Recovery Strategy for the North York Moors. Through FIPL and ELM schemes. Through delivery of Objectives 2, 3, 4 & 5.	6. Local Nature Recovery Strategy completed by Autumn 2024 7. Area of land managed to deliver National Park Purposes	NYMNPA	NYMNPA, Natural England, Environment Agency, Forestry Commission, local estates and landowners
<b>Objective 7</b> - 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	Through FIPL and ELM schemes. Through creation and delivery of a Newtondale Conservation Management Plan, Bransdale Conservation Management Plan. Through development and delivery of a Nature Recovery Pilot programme on Derwent Catchment.	8. Bransdale Management Plan completed by March 2023 9. Newtondale Partnership established by March 2023		NYMNPA, Natural England, Forestry Commission, National Trust, local estates and landowners,
<b>Objective 8</b> - Work with our moorland community to support the sustainable management of moorland to ensure it retains a sense of	Through liaison with and between local landowners. Through identification and sharing of good practice.	10. SSSIs in favourable condition increased by 10%	NYMNPA, EA	NYMNPA, Natural England, local estates and landowners.

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remoteness and supports a greater variety and abundance of species and habitats		<b>Case studies - Evidence of changing land management practices on moorland areas</b>		
<b>Objective 9</b> - Increase the intrinsic darkness of the National Park International Dark Sky Reserve by expanding the current dark sky core zone by twenty% by 2027	<p>Through control of lighting in new development.</p> <p>Through ongoing work to work with businesses and others to reduce lighting impact of current developments.</p> <p>Through identification of dark corridors within dales where can link up with habitat connectivity.</p> <p>Through ongoing monitoring of lighting levels and reporting to the International Dark Skies Association.</p>	<p>11. Core zone extended by 2027 following evidence submitted to International Dark Sky Association</p> <p>12. Number of lighting conditions attached to planning permissions</p>	NYMNPA	NYMNPA, Local businesses
<b>Objective 10</b> – Work to maintain and improve the sense of peace and tranquillity in the North York Moors, including through the protection of its remotest areas from development.	Through application of planning policies aimed at protecting tranquillity and remote areas.	13. Number of applications for development approved within Remote Areas (target= 0)	NYMNPA	NYMNPA
<b>Objective 11</b> - Ensure that our historic environment better understood, conserved, explained and	Through ongoing work to work to identify works needed, and carry out that work.	14. Number of Listed Buildings on the Buildings and Scheduled Ancient Monuments at Risk	NYMNPA	NYMNPA, Historic England, local estates and landowners.

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under appropriate management, and work with partners to reduce the number of Designated Heritage Assets at Risk by 2027.	Through delivery of heritage skills workshops	register / No. Removed (25 assets removed from the 'at risk' register by 2027  <b>Case studies - delivery of heritage skills workshops</b>		
<b>Objective 12</b> - Create specific, targeted opportunities to improve mental and physical health and well-being by connecting people with nature	Through social prescription, through promotion of activities	15. Impact of on health and wellbeing (Social Return on Investment Data) 16. Health engagement strategy produced	NYMNPA	NYMNPA, NYCC, R&CBC, Health providers, NYMTN
<b>Objective 13</b> - Increase awareness of, and access to, the National Park among under-served communities	Through marketing, through education and outreach programmes.  Through development of an accessible visitor offer.	17. Visitor Survey statistics on diversity of surrounding urban areas.	NYMNPA	NYMNPA, NYCC, R&CBC,
<b>Objective 14</b> - 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	Through education and outreach programmes, through involvement of the Youth Council, through involvement of Young Rangers.	18. No. of education visits 19. 10% of volunteers being under 30 years old by 2027		NYMNPA, MOSAIC

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<b>Objective 15</b> - 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	Ongoing maintenance programme.	20. 85% of promoted Public Rights of Way that are “Easy to Use” 21. 70% of other Public Rights of Way that are “Easy to Use”	NYMNPA	NYMNPA
<b>Objective 16</b> - Promote the North York Moors National Park as the premier recreational/ family cycling destination in the North of England	Through establishment of the NY Moors cycling partnership and funding prospectus. Through development and maintenance of cycling accommodation, facilities and infrastructure.	22. Visitor survey - % change in cycling and those using cycling for active travel/recreation around the National Park <b>Case studies – cycling events held.</b>	NYMNPA	NYMNPA, NYCC, Highways England
<b>Objective 17</b> - Work with businesses to establish regenerative tourism as a guiding principle and encourage visitors to make a positive contribution to the National Park	Through marketing and promotion campaigns. By working together with tourism businesses.	23. Work with 12 tourism businesses to become champions for sustainable practices (by 2024)		NYMNPA, NYMTN, Accommodation providers, Make it York
<b>Objective 18</b> - Provide opportunities that attract, upskill and retain a local workforce working in high value, knowledge-intensive jobs and the ‘green’ or ‘landscape’ economy	Through delivery of objective 20. Through marketing and promotion. Through funding to deliver green & landscape jobs .	24. Job numbers by industrial sector 25. New employment floorspace created <b>Case studies</b>	IDBR Data, NYMNPA	NYMNPA, NYCC



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<p><b>Objective 19</b> - Maintain a strong and viable farming and landscape community that delivers more for climate, nature, people and place</p>	<p>Through funding to deliver green/landscape jobs.</p>	<p>26. FIPL/ELM scheme funding – projects delivered</p> <p><b>Case studies - NYMNPA contacts/ advice with farming community</b></p>		<p>NYMNPA, local landowners</p>
<p><b>Objective 20</b> - Increase opportunities for residents and visitors to travel sustainably in the National Park' (draft, to be developed with NYCC)</p>	<p>Through deployment of low carbon/sustainable transport options.</p>	<p>27. Passenger data for the Esk Valley line</p> <p><b>Case studies –sustainable transport projects</b></p>	<p>Office of Rail and Road</p>	<p>NYMNPA, NYCC, Northern Trains</p>
<p><b>Objective 21</b> - 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</p>	<p>Through production of an affordable homes strategy.</p> <p>Through identification of suitable sites, funding and those in housing need.</p> <p>Through joint work with other National Parks to collate evidence on second homes and lobby Government.</p>	<p>28. Affordable Housing Strategy completed</p> <p>29. Number of affordable units built</p>	<p>NYMNPA</p>	<p>NYMNPA, NYCC, Housing Associations, developers</p>
<p><b>Objective 22</b> - By 2024, work to establish the North York Moors National Park as a leader in low-cost, low-</p>	<p>Through provision of exemplar schemes.</p>	<p>30. Design guide / code published and promoted by March 2023</p>	<p>NYMNPA</p>	<p>NYMNPA, NYCC, Housing Associations, developers</p>

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carbon, wildlife friendly 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	Through provide guidance and advice.	<b>Case study - Delivery an exemplar scheme</b>		
<b>Objective 23</b> - 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	Completion of gap analysis. Completion of new facilities. Resisting loss of existing facilities.	31. Village Facilities Survey.	NYMNPA	NYMNPA, NYCC
<b>Objective 24</b> - 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	Through development of infrastructure to prevent 'not spots'.	32. % of households and businesses opportunity of access to broadband – will reply on NYCC figures for this objective.	NYMNPA/NYCC	NYMNPA, NYCC, local telecoms networks