

**NORTHUMBERLAND NATIONAL PARK and COUNTRYSIDE  
JOINT LOCAL ACCESS FORUM**

**JLAF MEETING ON THURSDAY 19 JULY 2007**

**DENEHOLME, ALLENDALE, North Pennines**

**Commencing 1230 till 1700**

**AGENDA FOR AFTERNOON SITE VISIT**

The theme of the meeting is '**Discovering what makes the North Pennines so special**' and to visit the Northumberland part of the North Pennines Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty now that this is formally within the JLAF remit for the foreseeable future. This meeting has been arranged in conjunction with the North Pennines AONB.

This part of the meeting is normally open to JLAF members only. The evening meeting is open to members of the public but is not a public meeting.

Please note – this site visit will include a walk so please remember to bring all other personal items with you such as camera, insect creams, waterproof clothing etc and a packed lunch. Tea and coffee will be available at 1230 and again at 1450.

It is hoped that the programme will include all items indicated below, weather and time permitting.

- .....
- 1230            Everyone attending the afternoon session to meet at Deneholme.  
                 Car parking available. Time to eat your sandwiches.  
  
                 Short talk about visit by Simon Wilson, Access Officer, North Pennines AONB
  - 1245            Depart on site visit – car sharing will be required and car parking is available.  
  
                 It is anticipated that the site visit will start at Baybridge car park (NY 958500); it will take about 30 minutes to drive from Allendale to Blanchland where we will join the easy access path (NY965504 by Blanchland village hall and sportsclub). Time permitting, it is hoped we will have an opportunity to look at moorland issues and a visit to a haymeadow (or similar) to give an insight into what makes the North Pennines so special.
  - 1445            Return to Deneholme for afternoon tea and feedback from site visit.
  - 1510            Short presentation by Simon Wilson, AONB on  
                 *'New Projects in the North Pennines AONB'*
  - 1530            Presentation by Christine Pope, Natural England on  
                 *'Conservation and access from Natural England's point of view'*
  - 1600            Question and Answer session
  - 1650            Afternoon session ends
  - 1700            Buffet Tea
  - 1745            Main meeting starts
  - 2045            Meeting ends

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**AGENDA FOR MAIN MEETING**

**1745 1 Welcome and Apologies**

Welcome new members: Sue Finch, Lorraine Hershon, Albert Weir, Kevin Vigers, James Brown, David Towns, Graham Gill, Gill Featonby and Paul Kelly, Alasdair Mitchell and Peter Nicholson.

Apologies: Graham Gill, David Towns, Paul Kelly, Peter Nicholson and Elaine Rigg.

**2 Questions from Members of the Public**

To receive any questions previously submitted by members of the public (see report)

**3 Declarations of Interest**

*In accordance with Paragraph 6:8 of the Local Access Forums (England) Regulations 2002, revised February 2007, members are asked to declare any direct or indirect personal interests (including financial) in relation to items on the agenda for this meeting and shall disclose the nature of those interests to the meeting.*

**1800 4 Minutes of previous meeting held on 19 April 2007**

**5 Matters Arising**

Matters Arising from the previous Minute not covered elsewhere on the agenda.

**1810 6 Chair's Remarks**

To include an overview of recent site visits and to note any reports – questions only on significant issues will be taken.

**1820 7 Action Plan 2007 – 2008**

**1830 8 Overview of Afternoon Visit**

**9 Presentations**

1835 9.1 Simon Wilson – 'Access Issues in the AONB'

1850 9.2 Alan Kind – 'Map Modification Orders'

1900 9.3 Mrs M Keyte – 'Issues in the North Pennines'

1910 General discussion on the presentations

**1940 10 An Update on the Rights of Way Improvement Plan**

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**2000 11 General Updates**

Reports from Appointing Authorities, updates from other general meetings and any correspondence

**2015 12 Members' Section**

To note Working Group reports; reports from meetings members have attended; reports on any other relevant member items

**2030 13 Consultations**

- 13.1 Due to consult: a) DEFRA: Coastal Access (issued June 2007)  
(Consultation event 2 August, Durham)  
b) DEFRA: Public Rights of Way (issued May 2007)
- 13.2 Others: DEFRA: Outdoors for All – final version due Autumn 2007
- 13.3 Closures: Between April - July 2007 - none

**2035 14 Any other business**

- 14.1 To note date of LAF Regional Day – 10 October 2007, Durham

**2040 15 Dates of Future Meetings– to note dates for 2007 and 2008.**

Date	Venue	Themes (Provisional)
25 October 07	Repeater Station and NPA Office, Eastburn	Northumberland National Park
31 January 08		Promoting Northumberland as a Tourist Destination
24 April 08		
24 July 08		
30 October 08		

Joint Local Access Forums in England

Under Sections 94 and Section 95 of the Countryside and Rights of Way Act 2000, and in accordance with the provisions of Regulation 7 of The Local Access Forums (England) Regulations 2002 (amended in February 2007) the meetings of the Northumberland National Park and Countryside Joint Local Access Forum (JLAF) are open to the public. Para 4.4.1 of the 'Guidance on Local Access Forums in England (March 2007) further states that '*Subject to certain exceptions, Regulation 7 requires forum meetings to be open to the public. This means the meetings are held in public but does not mean that they are public meetings. A person who is not a forum member may be allowed to participate in discussions on specific agenda items at the discretion of the person chairing the meeting*'. Questions can be submitted for the JLAF, in writing via the Administrator, up to eight working days in advance of the meeting date. Additional copies of the agenda, minutes and associated reports are available on the Local Access Forum pages found under 'Looking After' on the Northumberland National Park Authority website at: <http://www.northumberland-national-park.org.uk> Other enquiries to: Marion Hume, JLAF Administrator on (01434 611550) or e-mail: [marion.hume@nnpa.org.uk](mailto:marion.hume@nnpa.org.uk) or [jlaf@nnpa.org.uk](mailto:jlaf@nnpa.org.uk)

Members of the Northumberland National Park and Countryside Joint Local Access Forum from 1 May 2007 are:

George Astbury, Bryan Harwood, Richard Cross (Vice Chair), Erica Bamford, , Pamela Brooks (Chair), James Brown, Victoria Brown, Edward Carrington, Angus Collingwood-Cameron, Gill Featonby, Susan Finch, Graham Gill, Lorraine Hershon, Paul Kelly (NCC rep), Ted Liddle, Alasdair Mitchell (NPA rep), Peter Nicholson (NPA rep), Susan Rogers, David Towns, Kevin Vigars, Albert Weir.

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**List of reports and updates**

Please read the report and information items before the meeting.

Item	Title	Author/s
Item 2	Report: Compilation of Questions received from Members of the Public	Various
Item 11	Appointing Authority Report – Northumberland National Park	L Lazzari
Item 11	Report: North Pennines AONB Access & Recreation Working Group Meeting 26 April 2007	T Liddle
Item 11	Notes from Meeting with Natural England 28 April 2007	P Brooks
Item 11	Notes from Meeting of Northumberland Coast AONB Partnership 20 June 2007	B Harwood
Item 11	Notes from Meeting with Northumberland Area Tourism Partnership 26 June 2007	P Brooks
Item 11	Report: All Terrain Accessible Buggies	T Liddle
Item 11	Report: NNPA SDF bid	T Liddle
For info	Working Group lists and tasks	
For info	Information on endurance riding	From A Mitchell
For info	Miscellaneous information on the North Pennines	

Tabled items

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