

## NORTHUMBERLAND NATIONAL PARK AUTHORITY

### MEETING AGENDA

Wednesday 21 June 2023 at 10am

<https://www.northumberlandnationalpark.org.uk/stream>

Venue: Eastburn, South Park, Hexham NE46 1BS

#### PART ONE – open to the public

Reference	Item	Title
NPA17-2023		<b>Apologies for Absence</b>
NPA18-2023		<b>Election of Chair for Northumberland National Park Authority</b> <i>to elect the Chair of the Authority until the date of the Authority's Annual Meeting in 2024</i>
NPA19-2023		<b>Election of Deputy Chair for Northumberland National Park Authority</b> <i>to elect the Deputy Chair of the Authority until the date of the Authority's Annual Meeting in 2024</i>
NPA20-2023		<b>Chair's Introduction</b>
NPA21-2023		<b>Questions received from members of the public</b>
NPA22-2023		<b>Declarations of member and officer interests</b> <i>Members and officers are asked to declare interests they have in relation to any items on the agenda and sign the Declaration of Interest form accordingly.</i>
NPA23-2023	Minutes	<b>Minutes of the Authority Meeting held on 15 March 2023</b> <i>To review and approve the minutes from this meeting.</i>
NPA24-2023	Minutes	<b>Minutes of the Special Authority Meeting held on 26 April 2023</b> <i>To review and approve the minutes from this meeting.</i>
NPA25-2023	Report 1	<b>Chair's Annual Report 2022/23</b> <i>To provide an overview from the Chair of the governance of the Authority in the year to 31 March 2023.</i>
NPA26-2023	Report 2	<b>Chief Executive's Performance Review 2022/23</b> <i>To provide an overview of the Authority's activities and achievement of the annual work programme in the year to 31 March 2023 and report on the budget outturn for the same period.</i>

<b>NPA27-2023</b>	<b>Report 3</b>	<b>Annual Assurance Framework</b> <i>To provide an overview of the various assurance processes in place within the Authority and asks members to approve the overall annual assurance framework for the year beginning 1<sup>st</sup> April 2023.</i>
<b>NPA28-2023</b>	<b>Report 4</b>	<b>Appointments to all Committees and Groups</b> <i>Election of members to the Authority's committees and groups.</i>
<b>NPA29-2023</b>	<b>Report 5</b>	<b>Medium Term Budget Update</b> <i>To provide members with a budget plan update and to seek adjustment to the budget plan approved in March 2023.</i>
<b>NPA30-2023</b>	<b>Report 6</b>	<b>Strategic Risk Register</b> <i>To seek approval for a new Strategic Risk Register for the Authority.</i>
<b>NPA31-2023</b>	<b>Report 7</b>	<b>Organisational Development Strategy</b> <i>To seek approval for a new organisational Development strategy for the Authority.</i>
<b>NPA32-2023</b>	<b>Report 8</b>	<b>Actions</b> <i>Action list from Public Authority meeting on 15 March 2023.</i>
<b>NPA33-2023</b>		<b>Urgent Business (if any)</b> <i>To consider such business which, in the Chair's opinion, should by reason of special circumstances be considered as a matter of urgency.</i>

#### **PART TWO: Confidential and Exempt items**

It is expected that matters in Part Two of the Agenda will be dealt with in private. Reports [coloured pink, referenced (P) and marked "Not for Publication"] are for members and officers only.

#### **Exclusion of the public: Members are invited to consider passing the following resolution:**

"That under section 100A (4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the press and public be excluded from this part of the meeting as it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Part I of Schedule 12A of the 1972 Act".

<b>NPA34-2023</b>		<b>Members' Question Time</b>
<b>NPA35-2023</b>	<b>Minutes (P)</b>	<b>Exempt Minutes of Authority Meeting 15 March 2023</b> <i>To review and approve the exempt minutes from this meeting.</i>
<b>NPA36-2023</b>	<b>Report (P1)</b>	<b>Business Review</b> <i>To seek member approval of a review the Park's business needs including changes to staffing resources.</i>
<b>NPA37-2023</b>	<b>Report (P2)</b>	<b>Performance Related Pay</b> <i>To seek member approval to remove the performance related pay scheme in operation for the Directors and Chief Executive.</i>

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**Meetings of Northumberland National Park Authority** will be held in public in accordance with Section 100A (4) of the Local Government Act 1972. Agenda and reports will be available on the Authority’s website prior to the meeting in accordance with Section 100B (1) of the Local Government Act 1972.

**Northumberland National Park Authority Members (as of 9 June 2022)** Secretary of State National: Ms Jean Davidson (Chair), Ms Liz Ellis, Ms Marie Fallon, Ms Fiona Gough, Mr Chris Mullin, and Ms Pippa Ross, Northumberland County Council: Cllr Eileen Cartie, Cllr Mark Mather, Cllr Mark Purvis, Cllr John Riddle, Cllr Catherine Seymour and Cllr Alan Sharp. Secretary of State Parish: Cllr Sue Bolam, Cllr Val Gibson, Cllr Len Glen-Davison, Cllr Julian Morrison-Bell, Cllr Denis Mullan (Deputy Chair) and Cllr Andrew Saunders.

**Northumberland National Park Authority Vision Statement (2016):** Northumberland National Park will be a truly welcoming and distinctive place, easily accessible to all. Its inspiring and changing landscapes, characterised by open spaces, tranquillity, diverse habitats, geology, and rich cultural heritage, will be widely recognised, and valued. The living, working landscape will contribute positively to the well-being of thriving and vibrant communities in and around the park.

**National Park Statutory Purposes:** The purposes of designation and the primary statutory objectives of all National Parks are: (1) to conserve and enhance the natural beauty, wildlife, and cultural heritage of the areas; and (2) to promote opportunities for the understanding and enjoyment of the special qualities of those areas by the public. In pursuing these purposes, National Park Authorities shall seek to foster the economic and social well-being of local communities within the National Park, but without incurring significant expenditure in doing so, and shall for that purpose co-operate with local authorities and public bodies whose functions include the promotion of economic or social development within the area of the National Park (Section 61/62 of the Environment Act 1995).