# YOUR DARTMOOR ACTION PLAN 2017 YEAR 4

#### **PRIORITY**

# **Farming and Forestry**

# What we are trying to achieve

A policy framework for upland farming that supports sustainable farming practices and National Park purposes

How are we going to do it?

**001** Work with partners to influence and shape the cap and its implementation through national programmes to ensure adequate and appropriate support for the South West Uplands

Who will deliver it? Lead organisation (in bold) and partner organisations

# **South West Upland Federation**

Dartmoor National Park Authority; Dartmoor Commoners Council: National Farmers Union: Country Land and Business Association; Royal Society for the Protection of Birds;

How will it be resourced?

When will it be delivered?

When will it be

Funded 2015

# **Update 2017**

What we are

Completed 2015

trying to achieve

sustainable farming

How are we going to do it?

**002** Apply experience and evidence from A policy framework for upland farming Dartmoor Farming Futures to influence design of future agri-environment schemes that supports

Who will deliver it?

Lead organisation (in bold) and partner organisations

**Natural England** 

Dartmoor National Park Authority; Dartmoor Commoners Council; Local Commons Associations; Duchy of Cornwall; South West Water; Royal Society for the Protection of Birds;

How will it be resourced?

Not funded

delivered?

2015

# **Update 2017**

practices and

**National Park** purposes

The principles from Dartmoor Farming Futures (DFF) have been used to look at how we can deliver environmental management into future agrienvironment schemes. We have recognised the importance of a trusted facilitator in bringing together groups with diverse needs and aspirations together, and the importance of investment in time preparing these groups and agreeing their outcomes at a local level. We will continue to feed the learning from DFF into future scheme design as appropriate.

What we are trying to achieve	How are we going to do it?	Who will deliver it? Lead organisation (in bold) and partner	How will it be resourced?	When will it be delivered?
A policy framework for upland farming	<b>003</b> Work with partners to ensure that Dartmoor's special qualities and needs are reflected in the	· ·	Funding committed	2016
that supports sustainable farming practices and National Park purposes	targeting of future agri-environment schemes. (link to Spectacular Landscapes, Natural Networks and Making the Most of Cultural Heritage priorities)	Dartmoor National Park Authority; Dartmoor Commoners Council; South West Water; Royal Society for the Protection of Birds; Haytor & Forest of Dartmoor Commons Associations; Haytor & Forest of Dartmoor Commons Associations; Historic England;		
Update 2017				
Dartmoor are represen	16/2017 from land managers to join Countryside Steved to bring about landscape benefits and wildlife enhent of land for a range of fritillary butterflies, bogs and	ancement within the confines of the scheme proced	•	

What we are trying to achieve	How are we going to do it?	Who will deliver it? Lead organisation (in bold) and partner organisations	How will it be resourced?	When will it be delivered?
A policy framework for upland farming that supports sustainable farming practices and National Park purposes	OO4 Develop a model for integrated delivery at a local level of the proposed six themes of the Rural Development Programme priorities.	Dartmoor National Park Authority  Natural England; Dartmoor Commoners Council; Duchy of Cornwall; Heart of the South West LEP; Historic England;	Funded (to March 2014), Subject to funding thereafter	2015
Update 2017 Completed 2014.				

What we are trying to achieve	How are we going to do it?	Who will deliver it? Lead organisation (in bold) and partner organisations	How will it be resourced?	When will it be delivered?
A policy framework for upland farming	<b>005</b> Support for farmers during transition to new funding schemes through provision of	Dartmoor Hill Farm Project	Part Funded, funding being sought	2017
that supports	information and advice (new Rural	Natural England; Dartmoor National Park Authority;	being sought	
sustainable farming practices and	Development Programme for England anticipated from January 2015, new agri-			

National Park purposes

Support and advice through provision of information, newsletters, signposting, projects and training opportunities.

environment schemes from January 2016).

What we are trying to achieve	How are we going to do it?	Who will deliver it? Lead organisation (in bold) and partner organisations	How will it be resourced?	When will it be delivered?
A policy framework for upland farming	<b>006</b> Seek to ensure that the importance of ponies for conservation grazing is recognised in	Dartmoor Commoners Council	Funding committed	2015
that supports sustainable farming practices and National Park purposes	future management and funding.	Joss Hibbs (offered to work with DCA @ 2014 meeting to help achieve action); Pony Action Grou	p;	
Update 2017				
Discussions with Natural schemes.	England and DEFRA have continued, 2015-date, and a	are progressing well. The focus is on post-Brexit	agri-environment	

Wh	at	we	are	9	
try	ing	to	ach	ieve	

Engage with and empower farmers to manage the landscape, deliver public benefits and add value to their business

#### How are we going to do it?

007 Develop a shared understanding and demonstration of what the Moorland Vision (of a grazed landscape providing a range of public benefits) means on the ground and monitor its delivery.

# Who will deliver it? Lead organisation (in bold) and partner organisations

# **Dartmoor National Park Authority**

Natural England; Dartmoor Common Owners Association; Dartmoor Commoners Council; Historic England;

# How will it be resourced?

When will it be delivered?

Funded 2019

#### **Update 2017**

The 'Common Cause' bid has been approved and is in progress. A 2 year development phase local facilitator should be in post by spring 2018.

What we are
trying to achieve

Engage with and empower farmers to manage the landscape, deliver public benefits and add value to their business

# How are we going to do it?

**008** Support the commons associations to help deliver the Moorland Vision through sharing of good practice on issues such as swaling and fire plans. (link to Spectacular Landscapes, Natural Networks priority)

# Who will deliver it? Lead organisation (in bold) and partner

organisations

#### **Dartmoor Commoners Council**

Local Commons Associations; Dartmoor Common Owners Association; Dartmoor National Park Authority; Natural England; South West Upland Federation; Ministry of Defence;

# How will it be resourced?

When will it be delivered?

Funding not required 2015

# **Update 2017**

DaCC - Annual gathering of Common's Associations held to disseminate good practice. Rural Payment Agency invited to address outstanding issues.

What we are trying to achieve	How are we going to do it?	Who will deliver it? Lead organisation (in bold) and partner organisations	How will it be resourced?	When will it be delivered?
Engage with and empower farmers to manage the landscape, deliver public benefits and add value to their business	OO9 Continue implementation and monitoring of Dartmoor Farming Futures pilots and use lessons learnt to influence future schemes (see action 2).	Haytor & Forest of Dartmoor Commons Associations Natural England; Dartmoor National Park Authority; Dartmoor Commoners Council; Duchy of Cornwall; Environment Agency; Royal Society for the Protection of Birds;	Subject to funding - continued agri- environment agreements for the two pilots	2018

The pilot continues as do discussions around how this work might be carried forward. In discussion with DEFRA about extending pilot to other areas.

What we are trying to achieve	How are we going to do it?	Who will deliver it? Lead organisation (in bold) and partner organisations	How will it be resourced?	When will it be delivered?
Engage with and empower farmers to manage the landscape, deliver public benefits and add value to their business	O10 Implement Dartmoor Healthy Livestock Initiative to provide advice and support for farmers in addressing animal diseases and monitor animal health conditions	Dartmoor Hill Farm Project	Funded (to March 2014), 2015 Funding required	2014
Update 2017 Completed 2014.				

What	we	are	
trying	to	achiev	ve

Engage with and empower farmers to manage the landscape, deliver public benefits and add value to their business

#### How are we going to do it?

**011** Explore future options for the Hill Farm Project to ensure on-going provision of information, advice and support to meet needs identified by farmers and land-based businesses. See new action 141.

Who will deliver it?
Lead organisation (in bold) and partner organisations

# **Dartmoor National Park Authority**

Dartmoor Farmers Forum; Dartmoor Hill Farm Project steering group; Dartmoor Commoners Council;

How will it be resourced?

When will it be delivered?

Funded 2015

### Update 2017

Completed, see new action 141.

# What we are trying to achieve

Engage with and empower farmers to manage the landscape, deliver public benefits and add value to their business

# How are we going to do it?

**012** Work with the farming community to support continued training and skills provision to meet needs identified through the 2013 Skills Audit.

# Who will deliver it?

Lead organisation (in bold) and partner organisations

#### **Dartmoor Hill Farm Project**

Moor Skills Ltd; Duchy College; Devon Rural Skills Trust;

# How will it be resourced?

When will it be delivered?

Funding committed

2018

# Update 2017

New funding stream (Heritage Lottery) has allowed a widening of the training opportunities. This now includes farmer training, heritage skills and volunteer development. Moorskills has two level 3 apprentices in conjunction with Duchy College.

What	we	are
trying	to	achieve

Engage with and empower farmers to manage the landscape, deliver public benefits and add value to their business

#### How are we going to do it?

013 Support good management of ponies through infrastructure for drifts and pounds and seek solutions to issues around overall pony numbers on the commons. Who will deliver it?
Lead organisation (in bold) and partner organisations

# **Dartmoor Commoners Council**

Pony Action Group; Moor than Meets the Eye project (MTMTE);

How will it be resourced?

When will it be delivered?

MTMTE funding committed (work on infrastructure)

2019

### Update 2017

MTMTE PA7 – Ponies, Pounds and Driftways: All three remaining pounds/driftways are underway after slippage and a pause in the project in late 2016/early 2017. Postbridge driftway works were completed in October 2017; reinstating the original driftway alignment alongside the boundary wall toward Hartyland and improving drainage and pedestrian crossing access over 'mini' clapper bridges. Remaining landowner and Commoners' Agreements are now in place. Scrub clearance will take place on Blackslade Common winter 2017 to let daylight into Venton Lane driftway. Preliminary clearance works undertaken at East Shallowford. All works are scheduled to complete by the end of Feb 2018.

What we are trying to achieve	How are we going to do it?	Who will deliver it? Lead organisation (in bold) and partner organisations	How will it be resourced?	When will it be delivered?
Engage with and empower farmers to manage the landscape, deliver public benefits and add value to their business	014 Investigate opportunities for private sector involvement in the funding of ecosystem services through OFWAT Price Review mechanism (PR14).	Natural England; Environment Agency; Dartmoor Common Owners Association; Dartmoor Commoners Council; Duchy of Cornwall; Dartmoor National Park Authority;	Funding Identified	2019

Two different actions are now arising;

- 1. for the area of peatland restored by the Dartmoor Mires Project 2010-15, led by DNPA but funded by SWW a peatland restoration PES scheme based on the principles of the with the one rolled out on Exmoor will be applicable to the restored areas on Dartmoor. The data from the Dartmoor monitoring sites will be used to calculate the possible value of the ecosystem services provided by the restoration which has been carried out on Dartmoor and to price this accordingly within a future scheme. The time scale for this work remains at least 3 years post restoration, the longer the run of data the better the valuation of the services provided will be. Following the review of data in January 2018 a decision will be made if this is enough data to base the scheme on.
- 2. for the new areas of restoration which have been proposed on Dartmoor under the draft Defra Funded project a new payment scheme led by the Duchy of Cornwall though the IUCN peatland code is being investigated.

What we are trying to achieve	How are we going to do it?	Who will deliver it? Lead organisation (in bold) and partner organisations	How will it be resourced?	When will it be delivered?
Next generation initiative for young	<b>015</b> See new action 144. Establish a mechanism to engage with young farmers on Dartmoor to	Dartmoor Hill Farm Project	Subject to funding	2016
farmers	share information and learn about issues.	Young Farmers Clubs;		
Update 2017				
See new action 144.				

What we are trying to achieve	How are we going to do it?	Who will deliver it? Lead organisation (in bold) and partner organisations	How will it be resourced?	When will it be delivered?
Next generation initiative for young farmers	<b>016</b> See new action 144. Investigate pathways i farming for young people.	Young Farmers Clubs; Dartmoor National Park Authority; Dartmoor Commoners Council; Dartmoor Common Owners Association; Duchy of Cornwall; Local schools and colleges;	Subject to funding	2016
Update 2017		5 /		
See new action 144.				
What we are trying to achieve	How are we going to do it?	Who will deliver it? Lead organisation (in bold) and partner organisations	How will it be resourced?	When will it be delivered?
Encourage sustainable management of existing woodlands and opportunities for new woodlands Update 2017 NT & WT undertaking w	017 Explore opportunities for greater communication engagement in woodlands. Fork in Fingle woods and Bovey Valley.	Silvanus Trust; Dartmoor National Park Authority; Duchy of Cornwall; Dartmoor Woodfuel Cooperative; Local communities; Forestry Commission FE;	Subject to funding	2015
in a wi undertaking w	ork in Fingle woods and bovey valley.			
What we are	How are we going to do it?	Who will deliver it?	How will it be	When will it be

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	What we are trying to achieve	How are we	e going to do it?	Who will deliver it? Lead organisation (in bold) and partner organisations	How will it be resourced?	When will it be delivered?
	Encourage sustainable		e opportunities from woodfuel e provision of training, sharing of	Dartmoor Woodfuel Cooperative	Funded	2019
	management of existing woodlands and opportunities for new woodlands	_	nd marketing.	Silvanus Trust; Dartmoor National Park Authority; Woodland owners; Forestry Commission FS;		
	Update 2017					

The Co Operative has grown steadily over the past two years, supplying another 3 commercial wood chip boilers.

The Co Operative supplied 7500 cubic metres of chip to over 30 installations last winter.

The commercial log boiler market is also slowly emerging, the Co Op only supplies half to three quarter metre length logs - in order not to compete with the local supply chain.

What we are trying to achieve	How are we going to do it?	Who will deliver it? Lead organisation (in bold) and partner organisations	How will it be resourced?	When will it be delivered?
Encourage sustainable management of existing woodlands and opportunities for new woodlands Update 2017	019 Seek to improve the conservation of wildlife and archaeology of the public forest estate woodlands. Use the 2015 Dartmoor Forest Design Plan revision to identify changes to the moorland / woodland boundary.	Forestry Commission FE  Natural England; Woodland Trust; Royal Society for the Protection of Birds;	Funded	2016
Work is on-going				

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What we are trying to achieve	How are we going to do it?	Who will deliver it? Lead organisation (in bold) and partner organisations	How will it be resourced?	When will it be delivered?
Encourage sustainable	<b>020</b> Soften the impact of privately-owned conifer plantations on the landscape where	Forestry Commission FS	Funding identified	2019
management of existing woodlands and opportunities for new woodlands	opportunities arise.	Forest owners; Dartmoor Woodfuel Cooperative; Woodland Trust;		

Progress continues as above with work continuing at both Burrator and Fingle Wood, A further 368 hectares of privately owned woodlands have had UKFS compliant management plans approved. The main development this year has been the revision of the Forest Enterprise Dartmoor Forest Plan. This covers the forests of; Fernworthy, Soussons, Bellever and Brimpts totalling 1388 hectares. The plan revision has identified the most intrusive forest edges and shows an intention to reduce the impact and deliver a more integrated landscape. Conifer levels will be reduced over the next 10 years by converting 36 hectares to open ground and mixed broadleaves.

W	hat	we	are
try	ing	to	achieve

Encourage sustainable management of existing woodlands and opportunities for new woodlands

### How are we going to do it?

**021** Encourage greater vigilance and reporting of tree health concerns and provide a coordinated response to tree diseases (including future contingency plans).

Who will deliver it?
Lead organisation (in bold) and partner organisations

# **Forestry Commission FS**

Dartmoor National Park Authority;Farmers;Foresters;Woodland owners;Dartmoor Woodfuel Cooperative; How will it be resourced?

When will it be delivered?

Funding identified 2019

#### **Update 2017**

Thankfully 2017 has seen a slowdown in the spread of Phytophthora ramorum with the need for only 3 SPHN's to be served within the Park boundary to date, although 3 more sites remain under investigation. The outbreak map continues to be updated on a regular basis. Outbreaks of Chalara continue to be found throughout the South West although no new cases have been reported within the Park. E-alerts remain the most reliable method of disseminating updates and TreeAlert remains the most effective way for all tree health outbreaks to be reported. The Forestry Commission's Tree Health team have appointed a Tree Health Regulations Officer in the SW to help with the continuing workload.

W	hat	we	are
try	/ing	to	achieve

Encourage sustainable management of existing woodlands and opportunities for new woodlands

# How are we going to do it?

022 Undertake research into expansion of broadleaved woodland in moorland valleys through natural regeneration and woodland planting, and map opportunities linked to the Moorland Vision. (link to Spectacular Landscapes, Natural Networks priority)

# Who will deliver it?

Lead organisation (in bold) and partner organisations

#### **Dartmoor National Park Authority**

Natural England; Landowners; Woodland Trust; Dartmoor Woodfuel Cooperative; South West Water; Royal Society for the Protection of Birds; Forestry Commission FS;

# How will it be resourced?

When will it be delivered?

Subject to funding 20

2019

### **Update 2017**

Woodland group has stalled and not met for a year. DNPA commissioned pilot study to develop methodology for measuring woodland creep within the valleys and commons of Dartmoor. Awaiting report with intention of rolling out beyond pilot areas with finalised methology. A review of the moorland vision is also being discussed.

What we are trying to achieve	How are we going to do it?	Who will deliver it? Lead organisation (in bold) and partner organisations	How will it be resourced?	When will it be delivered?
A policy framework for upland farming that supports sustainable farming	<b>140</b> Look for funding to extend the Dartmoor Healthy Livestock Initiative.	Dartmoor Hill Farm Project	Funding required	2019

practices and National Park purposes

Continue to run appropriate events to raise awareness and promote good practice with sponsorship from the private sector. Free BVD testing, scab and mineral blood testing and practical foot trimming are available to farmers at present.

What we are trying to achieve	How are we going to do it?	Who will deliver it? Lead organisation (in bold) and partner organisations	How will it be resourced?	When will it be delivered?	
Engage with and empower farmers to manage the landscape, deliver public benefits and add value to their business	<b>141</b> Look for sustainable and long term funding solutions for the Hill Farm Project.	Duchy of Cornwall; Dartmoor Farmers Association; Dartmoor Commoners Council; Dartmoor Hill Farm Project;	Funding required	2017	
Update 2017  Funding secured through Princes Countryside Fund for additional 3 years from Jan 2017. Duchy and DNPA have provided funding for same period and MTMTE have also contributed for the delivery of heritage skills. Secured additional funding in 2017 from PCF to run the Farm Resilience Programme for 1 year with the aim that this will continue in future years.					

What we are	How are we going to do it?	Who will deliver it?	How will it be	When will it be
trying to achieve		Lead organisation (in bold) and partner	resourced?	delivered?
		organisations		
Engage with and	<b>142</b> Ensure on-going monitoring of the Dartmoor	<b>Dartmoor National Park Authority</b>	Funding committed	2019
empower farmers to	Mires project restoration work to establish			
manage the	impact.	Natural England; Environment Agency; National Trust;		

business

landscape, deliver public benefits and add value to their

Vegetation and hydrological monitoring of the restored Mires sites has been carried out during 2017 as part of the agreed programme with Project partners.

What we are trying to achieve	How are we going to do it?	Who will deliver it?  Lead organisation (in bold) and partner  organisations	How will it be resourced?	When will it be delivered?
Engage with and empower farmers to	<b>143</b> Establish a better understanding of Dartmoor's peatland habitat including the	Dartmoor National Park Authority	Funding identified	2019
manage the landscape, deliver public benefits and add value to their business	extent of habitat Years 2-5.	Natural England;Environment Agency;National Tru	ust;	
Update 2017				
•	completed a study looking at the anthropogenic imp ne best chance of restoration to help target future w	·	that are of good condition	

What we are trying to achieve	How are we going to do it?	Who will deliver it? Lead organisation (in bold) and partner organisations	How will it be resourced?	When will it be delivered?
Next generation initiative for young farmers	<b>144</b> Establish a mechanism to engage with young farmers on Dartmoor to share information to learn about issues and investigate pathways into farming for young people.	Dartmoor Hill Farm Project  Next Generation farmers; Young Farmers; Dartmoor Commoners Council, Dartmoor Common Owners Association, Duchy of Cornwall, local schools and colleges.	Funded but potentially funding could be withdrawn	2019

Meetings and training still offered but uptake is variable. Discussions with Devon YF in enageing through the clubs and the possibility of a central club on Dartmoor.

# YOUR DARTMOOR ACTION PLAN 2017 YEAR 4

PRIORITY	Spectacular landscapes			
What we are trying to achieve	How are we going to do it?	Who will deliver it? Lead organisation (in bold) and partner organisations	How will it be resourced?	When will it be delivered?
Build coherent and resilient ecological networks	O23 Improve the condition of key wildlife areas on a landscape scale, identify opportunities to strengthen ecological networks and habitat connectivity, and support climate change mitigation and adaptation through the preparation and delivery of detailed action plans for four priority habitats (rhôs pasture, moorlands, woodlands, dry grasslands).	Dartmoor Biodiversity Partnership  South West Water; Moor than Meets the Eye project (MTMTE);	Funding identified, Funding committed - MTMTE	2019

# **Update 2017**

MTMTE PA2 – Haymeadows: Working in partnership with Moor Meadows interest group to sustain legacy post-MTMTE. Supporting the seed harvesting group through dedicated community machinery purchase in December 2017.

MTMTE PA3 – Natural Connections: Integrated Management Plan slightly delayed for completion December 2017. Barramoor Valley IMP aborted due to similar initiative underway with SWW's Upstream Thinking.

Both projects end Jan 2018 when the MTMTE Community Ecology post ends.

What we are trying to achieve	How are we going to do it?	Who will deliver it? Lead organisation (in bold) and partner organisations	How will it be resourced?	When will it be delivered?
Build coherent and resilient ecological networks  Update 2017	<b>024</b> Maintain a monitoring programme for 'Living Dartmoor' to assess the condition of key habitats and species.	Dartmoor Biodiversity Partnership	Funding identified	2019
CWS monitoring carrie	ed out at 2 sites; NE continuing SSSI monitoring program	nme.		

What we are trying to achieve	How are we going to do it?	Who will deliver it? Lead organisation (in bold) and partner organisations	How will it be resourced?	When will it be delivered?
Build coherent and resilient ecological networks	O25 Define and demonstrate what 'favourable condition' means for key habitats for Dartmoor, identify barriers to delivering 'favourable condition' targets and address these barriers where possible.	Dartmoor Biodiversity Partnership  Natural England;	Funded	2015
Update 2017				
Completed 2014.				
What we are trying to achieve	How are we going to do it?	Who will deliver it? Lead organisation (in bold) and partner organisations	How will it be resourced?	When will it be delivered?
Build coherent and	<b>026</b> Complete the pilot phase of the Dartmoor	Dartmoor Mires Project	Funded (until 2015)	2015
resilient ecological networks	Mires project to restore 104 ha of blanket bog by 2015. Evaluate the monitoring and learning from this and expand the work into new areas as appropriate.			
	by 2015. Evaluate the monitoring and learning from this and expand the work into new areas			

What	we	are	
trying	to	achi	ieve

Build coherent and resilient ecological networks

How are we going to do it?

**027** Develop and deliver a programme of coordinated activity to improve the ecological status of rivers on Dartmoor.

Who will deliver it?
Lead organisation (in bold) and partner organisations

# **Environment Agency**

Natural England; Dartmoor National Park Authority; West Country Rivers Trust; South West Water; How will it be resourced?

When will it be delivered?

Funding not required 2019 (note funding sourced from other programmes).

#### **Update 2017**

Our Environment Programme is progressing and delivering environmental outcomes through projects identified on our collective programmes. Examples include:

- •Dur 5 year Partnership Programme refresh is in development with our Catchment Partnerships in readiness for New Water Environment Grant Fund which is expected to be launched in Q1 2018.
- •Dartmoor Natural flood management project initiated between 2017 and 2021 to understand how best to implement measures that work with natural processes (such as reconnecting rivers with their floodplains, gully blocking etc.) to reduce flood risk to properties on and around the moor. The project is taking a view of the whole water cycle, looking at how changes that can be made also impact water quality, soil health and relevant habitats. This project will inform and guide any future methods to reduce flood flows that could be employed on Dartmoor.
- Investigations into sources of pollution from Wheal Exmouth working with The Coal Authority through our Wastewater from Abandoned Metal Mines Programme
- Eurther investigation into opportunities to protect water from accidental sheep dip spills with Dartmoor Hill Farm Project, South Devon Catchment Partnership and West Country Rivers Trust.
- Elymouth Marine Laboratory, British Geological Survey and Centre for Hydrology and Ecology are undertaking a 5 year national programme (Land Ocean Carbon Transfer) to determine the impact of upstream dissolved carbon on the marine environment with particular emphasis on impact on Climate Change. The Dart is one of the investigative rivers.

Outputs from this and other work will help provide evidence to inform action plans and delivery programmes.

What we are trying to achieve	How are we going to do it?	Who will deliver it? Lead organisation (in bold) and partner organisations	How will it be resourced?	When will it be delivered?
Support stable or increasing populations of priority species	O28 Develop and deliver 12 action plans for Living Dartmoor key species for conservation (greater horseshoe bat, dunlin, red-backed shrike, ring ouzel, southern damselfly, marsh fritillary butterfly, pearl-bordered and high brown fritillary butterflies, blue ground beetle, bog hoverfly, Deptford pink, vigur's eyebright, flax-leaved St John's-wort).	Dartmoor Biodiversity Partnership  Farmers; Commoners; Local Commons Associations; Duchy of Cornwall;	Funding identified	2019
Update 2017				
All species action plan	ns completed. No further progress			

What we are trying to achieve	How are we going to do it?	Who will deliver it? Lead organisation (in bold) and partner organisations	How will it be resourced?	When will it be delivered?
Support stable or increasing	<b>029</b> Maintain butterfly populations through delivery of the Two Moors Threatened	<b>Butterfly Conservation</b>	Funding committed	2016
populations of	Butterfly Project and explore how required actions can be integrated into wider farm	Natural England;Environment Agency;		

management.

The project continues to offer habitat management advice to farmers and landowners in appropriate management for the target fritillary species, and support to Natural England in the preparation of new Countryside Stewardship agreements. Since January 2017, 154 site visits have been made to 67 Dartmoor sites to offer advice, undertake monitoring or carry out practical habitat management. These have been carried out by a combination of Butterfly Conservation staff and volunteers. Assistance has been provided to Natural England on a number of Countryside Stewardship agreements, as well as working with partners (such as the National Trust and Devon Wildlife Trust) and private landowners to provide management advice.

What we are trying to achieve	How are we going to do it?	Who will deliver it? Lead organisation (in bold) and partner organisations	How will it be resourced?	When will it be delivered?
Support stable or increasing populations of priority species	030 To improve understanding of the Barbastelle bat and lichen communities in East Dartmoor Natural Nature Reserve and implement management measures to ensure their long-term conservation as part of ancient woodland restoration.	Natural England  Woodland Trust; Moor than Meets the Eye project (MTMTE);	MTMTE Funding committed	2019
Undate 2017				

NE - The Woodland Trust led on the Barbastelle bat research and have undertaken the vast majority (by area) of woodland management, mostly through removal or thinning of their conifer plantations in the Bovey Valley.

Lichens/ butterflies older trees: This is a joint project where Natural England have been recording lichens throughout the reserve and wider afield with the help of the Devon Lichen Group and volunteers, this will result in a map of all the areas reported on that is been arranged by the Woodland Trust. In the Bovey valley we also have been jointly been maintaining open areas (Rudge and Vinnimoore woods) and enhancing the habitat for both lichens and butterflies alike as well re-establishing open areas, particularly at Bovey Combe farm where the old pollard trees are located and creating a more well-lit corridor between these sites where significant way side older trees are situated. We have been concentrating on improving the links between the known fritillary butterfly populations by improving the links between Trendlebere and the Bovey Valley which also improves habitat links between known sights for white letter hair streak. Natural England have similarly been clearing ride side corridors and ride interchanges that benefit not only lichen, butterflies and older trees but visitor access in Yarner Wood.

MTMTE PA4 – Discovering the Nature of the Bovey Valley: Barbastelle Bats: Further research is being undertaken by the bat researchers looking at the bat roosts in relation to temperature and GIS modelling. More detailed information can be seen in the ongoing Bat Diary: https://eastdartmoorwoods.org/2017/09/27/sharing-expertise-on-woodland-bats/

Lichens: The Woodland Trust is currently reviewing a mapped presentation of the data following the survey of the NNR boundaries and neighbouring land covering c.50ha. Work continues assessing dispersal potential and secured management of lichens up to c.10ha of the wider landscape by 2019. Phase 3 PAWS restoration in Hisley Wood is scheduled for winter 2017 to be complete Feb 2018.

What we are trying to achieve	How are we going to do it?	Who will deliver it? Lead organisation (in bold) and partner organisations	How will it be resourced?	When will it be delivered?
Support stable or increasing populations of priority species  Update 2017	<b>031</b> Ensure the planning process and development do not threaten, and enhance where possible, protected and priority species.	Dartmoor National Park Authority  Natural England;	Funded	2019
Good relationship cor	tinues with planners and Natural England.			

What we are trying to achieve	How are we going to do it?	Who will deliver it? Lead organisation (in bold) and partner organisations	How will it be resourced?	When will it be delivered?
Connect people with nature	<b>032</b> Continue use of volunteers to help with monitoring and conservation work and help deliver Living Dartmoor.	Dartmoor Biodiversity Partnership  Moor than Meets the Eye project (MTMTE);	Funding identified, Funding committed through MTMTE	2019
Update 2017				

MTMTE – There are currently 99 registered volunteers whom have kindly given: 2,071 'Unskilled', 655 'Skilled' and 76 'Professional' days, equivalent to £229k. Project PB6 – Managing Volunteers specifically, is slightly behind schedule as we've found that supporting volunteer needs has been less than budgeted for. We continue to support volunteers' needs and develop appropriate training where required to deliver MTMTE projects. There is scope to utilise potential underspend to develop a bespoke 'mobile volunteer workshop' which was supported at 20171011 MTMTE LPS Board. This will be developed by DNPA for approval by the MTMTE LPS Board and HLF.

DNPA - Volunteer programme suspended due to new ecology team starting. Will resume and develop in 2018

What we are trying to achieve	How are we going to do it?	Who will deliver it? Lead organisation (in bold) and partner organisations	How will it be resourced?	When will it be delivered?
Connect people with nature	033 Involve local community and wider public in project to 'tag and trace' cuckoos and develor further initiatives to engage the public in Dartmoor wildlife with an initial focus working with RSPB through the Dartmoor birds interpretation project.	British Trust for Ornithology; Devon Biodiversity &	Funding identified, MTMTE (Dartmoor birds interpretation project) funding committed	2019
Update 2017				
	• •	s in 2017 and attended Meldon Festival. Will be expa		

DNPA - Cuckoo project finished. House Martin project continues with 2 talks in 2017 and attended Meldon Festival. Will be expanded to include swallows and swifts in 2018. Moorland Bird initiative launched through RSPB, DNPA help fund and sit on steering group. This will provide advice to landowners and public around key bird species.

Volunteer offer will increase in 2018 with site specific groups starting with Dendles Wood in partnership with DPA and NE

MTMTE PA1 – Moorland Bird Advisor: the original project was re-scoped in Jan 2017 to appoint a Moorland Bird Advisor working 50% in the MTMTE area and 50% across wider Dartmoor. There is a current underspend on the project due to later than anticipated appointment of the Advisor post. Data gathering is underway and a series of factsheets are being developed for discussion with landowners/tenants.

What we are trying to achieve	How are we going to do it?	Who will deliver it?  Lead organisation (in bold) and partner organisations	How will it be resourced?	When will it be delivered?
Connect people with nature	<b>034</b> Work with local communities to develop parish initiatives that support wider-scale nature conservation, co-ordinated through 'Living Dartmoor' including priorities for action.	Dartmoor National Park Authority  Local Communities; Dartmoor Biodiversity Partnership;	Funding committed	2016
Update 2017				
MTMTE PA2 – Haymea group through dedicate MTMTE PA3 – Natural to similar initiative und	inished at end of 2017. Not all objectives were achiev dows: Working in partnership with Moor Meadows in ed community machinery purchase in December 2017 Connections: Integrated Management Plan slightly de lerway with SWW's Upstream Thinking.	terest group to sustain legacy post-MTMTE. Sup.  '. layed for completion December 2017. Barramoo	oporting the seed harvesting	g

What we are trying to achieve	How are we going to do it?	Who will deliver it? Lead organisation (in bold) and partner organisations	How will it be resourced?	When will it be delivered?
Conserve and enhance Dartmoor's distinctive landscapes	<b>035</b> Collaborate on the delivery of the statements of environmental opportunity for the Dartmoor National Character Area and raise	Natural England  Dartmoor National Park Authority;	Funded	2015
	awareness of the profile.			
Update 2017				
Completed 2014				
What we are trying to achieve	How are we going to do it?	Who will deliver it? Lead organisation (in bold) and partner organisations	How will it be resourced?	When will it be delivered?
Conserve and enhance Dartmoor's distinctive landscapes Update 2017	<b>036</b> Submit Landscape Conservation Action Plan as phase 2 bid for 'Moor than Meets the Eye' Landscape Partnership programme.	Moor than Meets the Eye project (MTMTE)	Funded	2014
Completed 2014.				

What we are trying to achieve	How are we going to do it?	Who will deliver it? Lead organisation (in bold) and partner organisations	How will it be resourced?	When will it be delivered?
Conserve and enhance Dartmoor's	<b>037</b> Work with the farming community to protect important landscape features including stone	Dartmoor Hill Farm Project	MTMTE funding committed	2018
distinctive landscapes	walls, hedgebanks and ancient boundaries.	Moor than Meets the Eye project (MTMTE);	committeed	

window due to launch Nov-Dec 2017 via DHFP newsletter.

Medieval' project.

MTMTE PA7 – Ponies, Pounds and Driftways: All three remaining pounds/driftways are underway after slippage and a pause in the project in late 2016/early 2017. Postbridge driftway works were completed in October 2017; reinstating the original driftway alignment alongside the boundary wall toward Hartyland and improving drainage and pedestrian crossing access over 'mini' clapper bridges. Remaining landowner and Commoners' Agreements are now in place. Scrub clearance will take place on Blackslade Common winter 2017 to let daylight into Venton Lane driftway. Preliminary clearance works undertaken at East Shallowford. All works are scheduled to complete by the end of Feb 2018.

MTMTE PA8 – Ancient Boundaries, Modern Farming: 1,426m walling and 2 gateways repaired/conserved across 9 farms. Phase 4 grant application

What we are trying to achieve	How are we going to do it?	Who will deliver it? Lead organisation (in bold) and partner organisations	How will it be resourced?	When will it be delivered?
Conserve and enhance Dartmoor's distinctive landscapes	<b>038</b> Develop a better understanding of the medieval landscape on Dartmoor and help people to look after it through the 'Moor	Dartmoor National Park Authority  Moor than Meets the Eye project (MTMTE);	Funding committed - MTMTE	2018

### **Update 2017**

The Action Plan is updated annually

MTMTE PB3 – Moor Medieval: An active volunteer group of approximately 20 have formed the Moor Medieval Study Group and meet regularly every month. They are supported by two specialists and the MTMTE Team in their research into: Archaeology and Landscape, Buildings and Structures, Agriculture and Settlement and Economy.

What we are trying to achieve	How are we going to do it?	Who will deliver it? Lead organisation (in bold) and partner organisations	How will it be resourced?	When will it be delivered?
Continued good environmental management of the Dartmoor Training Area  Update 2017	<b>039</b> Implement the Integrated Rural Management Plan, and update the action plan annually.	Ministry of Defence  Duchy of Cornwall; Natural England; Environment Agency; Dartmoor Commoners Council; Historic England;	Funding not required	2019

What we are trying to achieve		How are we going to do it?	Who will deliver it? Lead organisation (in bold) and partner organisations	How will it be resourced?	When will it be delivered?
Continued good environmental management of the Dartmoor Training Area Update 2017 The revised IRMP has		Review the Integrated Rural Management Plan in 2015.  rafted and is currently awaiting preparation of m	Ministry of Defence  Duchy of Cornwall; Natural England; Environment Agency; Dartmoor Commoners Council; Historic England;  aps, prior to consultation with interested bodies.	Funding not required	2015
What we are trying to achieve		How are we going to do it?	Who will deliver it? Lead organisation (in bold) and partner organisations	How will it be resourced?	When will it be delivered?
Continued good environmental management of the Dartmoor Training Area Update 2017 Completed 2014.	041	Consider the implications of military troops returning from abroad and any potential impacts on military use of Dartmoor.	Ministry of Defence	Funded	2016
What we are trying to achieve		How are we going to do it?	Who will deliver it? Lead organisation (in bold) and partner organisations	How will it be resourced?	When will it be delivered?
Continued good environmental management of the Dartmoor Training Area Update 2017 Completed 2015	042	Explore options for reducing the landscape impact of military training infrastructure, with particular focus on the proposals from the inter-visibility study on the location markers and other structures.	Ministry of Defence  Dartmoor National Park Authority;	Funding for implementation not identified	2015

What we are trying to achieve	How are we going to do it?	Who will deliver it? Lead organisation (in bold) and partner organisations	How will it be resourced?	When will it be delivered?
Continued good environmental	<b>043</b> Consider options for the relocation of Holming Beam huts and associated	Ministry of Defence	Not Funded	2015
management of the Dartmoor Training	infrastructure to reduce landscape impact.	Dartmoor National Park Authority; Duchy of Cornwall;		

Area

Priority reviewed to lower priority. Existing building considered to have at least a 10 year lifespan. Location to be reconsidered when building requires replacement.

How are we going to do it?	Who will deliver it?	How will it be	When will it be
	Lead organisation (in bold) and partner organisations	resourced?	delivered?
<b>145</b> Implement proposals in SWW's Upstream Thinking Projects for the River Dart & Tamar.	Westcountry Rivers Trust	Subject to funding K9 project	2020
	Devon Wildlife Trust; South West Water; Dartmoor		
	National Park Authority; Duchy of Cornwall;		
	<b>145</b> Implement proposals in SWW's Upstream	Lead organisation (in bold) and partner organisations  145 Implement proposals in SWW's Upstream Thinking Projects for the River Dart & Tamar.  Devon Wildlife Trust; South West Water; Dartmoor	Lead organisation (in bold) and partner organisations  145 Implement proposals in SWW's Upstream Thinking Projects for the River Dart & Tamar.  Lead organisation (in bold) and partner organisations  Westcountry Rivers Trust Subject to funding K9 project Devon Wildlife Trust; South West Water; Dartmoor

#### Update 2017

The Dart, Fernworthy & Tamar Upstream Thinking Projects are all in progress, and on time. Integrated Farm Management Plans are written, and are being followed up by Upstream Thinking grants and Countryside Stewardship applications to deal with issues highlighted by the Plans. Wider work includes linkage and liaison with other projects and initiatives in target catchments, such as the Dartmoor Hill Farm project, Dartmoor Mires monitoring and the Catchment Based Approach. Besides the direct farm works, Upstream Thinking will continue to raise awareness in local communities through education, engagement or participation. This work is ongoing until 2020.

What	we	are
trying	to	achieve

Support stable or

**146** Deliver a programme of habitat management works, advice to landowners and educational

activities to support Butterfly populations.

How are we going to do it?

Who will deliver it?
Lead organisation (in bold) and partner organisations

# **Butterfly Conservation**

Natural England; Environment Agency;

How will it be resourced?

When will it be delivered?

Funding committed 2019

# priority species Update 2017

populations of

increasing

The 'All the Moor Butterflies' project began in January 2017, with two full-time staff being appointed (a Conservation Officer and a Community Engagement Officer). At the time of writing the project has delivered the following: 4 school workshops, 4 volunteer training workshops, 13 volunteer habitat management work parties, 5 talks, 1 guided walks, 1 moth night, 3 landowner events and 3 public events. These have resulted in 455 people encounters, 472 children encounters and 143 volunteer encounters. The volunteer work parties have been really successful, often carrying out vital management works at sites where additional works are needed. Other highlights have been: landowner workshop with the Dartmoor Hill Farm Project, volunteer training workshops which have resulted in new volunteers coming to help with species monitoring, marsh fritillary guided walk at Langaford Farm which was attended by over 30 people, working with the National Trust at Castle Drogo on their 'Wild Week' engaging with local school children.

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PRIORITY	Cultural Heritage			
What we are trying to achieve	How are we going to do it?	Who will deliver it? Lead organisation (in bold) and partner organisations	How will it be resourced?	When will it be delivered?
Community Heritage Projects	<b>044</b> Work with local communities to identify heritage assets and produce a Dartmoor Local	Dartmoor National Park Authority	Not Funded	2015
	Heritage List.	Local Communities; Historic England;		

# **Update 2017**

No change has occurred in the development of a Local List: the political and resource difficulties are deemed too great for progress to be realistic. However, a methodology for the formal identification and recording of archaeological and historical features as heritage assets has been developed and is currently being implemented by the Archaeology team as part of the planning process.

What we are trying to achieve	How are we going to do it?	Who will deliver it? Lead organisation (in bold) and partner organisations	How will it be resourced?	When will it be delivered?
Community Heritage Projects	<b>045</b> Review options for the provision of archival storage facilities to support local community groups collecting information on their area.	Devon History Forum  Dartmoor Trust; Dartmoor National Park Authority; Local History societies; Museums	Funded for initial scoping	
Update 2017 Completed 2015				

trying to achieve		Lead organisation (in bold) and partner organisations	resourced?	delivered?
Community Heritage <b>04</b> Projects  Update <b>2017</b>	16 Continue to work with Local History Societies and other interested parties to facilitate communication, sharing of ideas and coordinate future projects at a local scale and across the National Park.	Dartmoor National Park Authority  Dartmoor Trust; Dartmoor Preservation Association; Devon Archaeological Society; Dartmoor Society; Dartmoor Tin working & Research Group; Local History Groups; Historic England;	Funding committed	2019

Annual Local History Day was held at Parke in May 2017. Numbers were down on last year with 50 people attending, but feedback was again very positive. Planning for a May 2018 event is underway. Everyday consultations also occur, helping members of the public with enquiries concerning aspects of Dartmoor's historic environment and providing them with HER data.

What we are trying to achieve	How are we going to do it?	Who will deliver it? Lead organisation (in bold) and partner organisations	How will it be resourced?	When will it be delivered?
Community Heritage Projects	<b>047</b> Implement a Parishscapes project in the Moor than Meets the Eye area to enable local people to record, share and conserve heritage of special significance in their parish.	Moor than Meets the Eye project (MTMTE)	Funding committed	2017
Update 2017				
On schedule but slightly	y underspent overall: 11 of the 14 parishes have active	projects.		

What we are trying to achieve	How are we going to do it?	Who will deliver it? Lead organisation (in bold) and partner organisations	How will it be resourced?	When will it be delivered?
Identify, protect and conserve heritage	<b>048</b> Continue to record heritage assets through the Dartmoor Historic Environment Record,	Dartmoor National Park Authority	Not funded	2019
assets	make it available online and raise awareness. Seek funding for ongoing maintenance and development beyond 2013/14.	Devon County Council; Dartmoor Trust; Historic England; Ministry of Defence		

# **Update 2017**

DNPA - At the time of writing, funding for the ERO post and the HER has been secured from DNPA for the next three years. Enhancement and updating of the HER by the HERO and a volunteer is continuing.

MOD - carry out a rolling 5 year condition survey of all archaeology within the Okehampton Range, Willsworthy Range, Merrivale Range, Cramber Training Area and Ringmoor Training Area. Within 2017, Cramber Training Area was resurveyed, and in Spring 2018, Merrivale and Ringmoor are programmed to be surveyed. All survey reports are given to the landowner and Dartmoor National Park Authority.

What we are trying to achieve	How are we going to do it?	Who will deliver it?  Lead organisation (in bold) and partner  organisations	How will it be resourced?	When will it be delivered?
Identify, protect and conserve heritage assets	<b>049</b> Reduce heritage at risk numbers the monitoring, survey and practical conservation, including management designated buildings and Monume	ent plans for Natural England;Local Commons	Funding committed	2019
Update 2017				
Work continues to prog from the at risk register		d projects and volunteer events. Over the past year a furt	her 18 SMS being removed	
What we are trying to achieve	How are we going to do it?	Who will deliver it?  Lead organisation (in bold) and partner organisations	How will it be resourced?	When will it be delivered?
Identify, protect and conserve heritage assets	<b>050</b> Continue to provide conservation owners and occupiers of heritage	•	Funding committed	2019
Update 2017				
DNPA - Continued advice	ce given for general management, access, y ongoing with almost daily advice provid	CS, HLS etc to agencies, landowners and individuals. ed by the dual funded HE/DNPA HARFA		
What we are trying to achieve	How are we going to do it?	Who will deliver it?  Lead organisation (in bold) and partner  organisations	How will it be resourced?	When will it be delivered?
Identify, protect and conserve heritage	<b>051</b> Scope the feasibility of establishing Dartmoor Study Centre which is ac		Not funded	2015
assets	the public to view current and hist information (books, photographs a	corical Dartmoor National Park Authority; Dartmoor		

documents) relating to Dartmoor.

Enthusiasm from History Societies but needs feasibility study to be completed.

Update 2017

What we are trying to achieve	How are we going to do it?	Who will deliver it? Lead organisation (in bold) and partner organisations	How will it be resourced?	When will it be delivered?
Increased understanding and awareness of Dartmoor's cultural	<b>052</b> Undertake further research in the Whitehorse Hill area to improve understanding of the area's significance following analysis of the artefacts recovered from the cist.	Dartmoor National Park Authority  Moor than Meets the Eye project (MTMTE); Historic England;	MTMTE funding committed	2019

heritage

MTMTE PA5 – Unveiling the heritage of the high moor and forests: The project is proceeding according to plan, mostly concentrating at the moment on post-excavation work for the Hangingstone and Sittaford excavations. However, there are issues surrounding the quality of available LiDAR in forestry plantations which will change the nature of some aspects of the project. Forecast underspend proposed to be used for Holwell Community Dig subject to Board and HLF approval.

DNPA - Post excavation work on the Hangingstone Hill excavations has been completed. That on the Sittaford stone circle is continuing, but due for completion soon.

What we are trying to achieve	How are we going to do it?	Who will deliver it?  Lead organisation (in bold) and partner  organisations	How will it be resourced?	When will it be delivered?
Increased understanding and awareness of Dartmoor's cultural heritage Update 2017	<b>053</b> Co-ordinate an annual list of historic environment research and new information and publish online.	Dartmoor National Park Authority  Devon Archaeological Society; Dartmoor Trust;  Dartmoor Society;	Funding identified	2019

PhD research on the metal-working site at Ausewell Wood near Ashburton is underway. However, no progress has been made in publishing a list of this

work online. This is partially due to the extensive website revision that has been undertaken over the past years. Development of a research framework for Dartmoor which will identify gaps in our knowledge and priorities for future research will commence in 2018 and will be published online.

What we are trying to achieve	How are we going to do it?	Who will deliver it? Lead organisation (in bold) and partner organisations	How will it be resourced?	When will it be delivered?
Increased understanding and	<b>054</b> Complete surveys of the remaining Premier Archaeological Landscapes and identify	<b>Dartmoor National Park Authority</b>	Not funded	2019
awareness of Dartmoor's cultural	priorities for management.	Natural England; Historic England;		

heritage

There are 14 PALs in total of which 9 1/2 have been surveyed. Of those remaining (Walkhampton Common, Wigford Down, the Erme Valley, Ugborough Moor and half of the Plym Valley) funding has been secured to survey the Erme Valley PAL.

What we are trying to achieve	How are we going to do it?	Who will deliver it?  Lead organisation (in bold) and partner  organisations	How will it be resourced?	When will it be delivered?
Increased understanding and awareness of Dartmoor's cultural heritage Update 2017	<b>055</b> Increase understanding of the military heritage on Dartmoor through information provision.	Ministry of Defence  Dartmoor National Park Authority; Dartmoor Trust; local museums; Historic England;	Funding identified	2019

What we are	How are we going to do it?	Who will deliver it?	How will it be	When will it be
trying to achieve		Lead organisation (in bold) and partner organisations	resourced?	delivered?
Increased understanding and	<b>056</b> Develop Higher Uppacott as an exemplar of best practice in conservation, community	Dartmoor National Park Authority	MTMTE	2019
awareness of Dartmoor's cultural heritage	engagement and interpretation of the historic environment.	Local Communities; Moor than Meets the Eye project (MTMTE); Historic England;		

## **Update 2017**

MTMTE PA6 – Higher Uppacott: The programme of internal repairs and conservation works was completed by contractors Carrek Ltd in October 2017. The next electrical, cross-passage and external works are programmed for winter 2017 with completion by October 2018. The ~£47k forecast project overspend is being underwritten by DNPA.

DNPA - Archaeological oversight by the DNPA Archaeology team on works at Higher Uppacott has continued over the past year.

What we are trying to achieve	How are we going to do it?	Who will deliver it? Lead organisation (in bold) and partner organisations	How will it be resourced?	When will it be delivered?
Increased understanding and awareness of Dartmoor's cultural heritage  Update 2017	<b>057</b> Develop a project to commemorate World War 1 on Dartmoor including exhibition at Princetown National Park Visitor Centre, web resources for schools and research themes.	Dartmoor Trust  Dartmoor National Park Authority;	Funding committed (HLF)	2016

Following the success of the 2016 and 17 exhibitions, a further Exhibition, including new material, is to be held at the NP Visitor Centre, Princetown in Autumn 2018

# YOUR DARTMOOR ACTION PLAN 2017 YEAR 4

### **PRIORITY**

# **Enjoying Dartmoor**

# What we are trying to achieve

Clear and inspiring communication about how to enjoy and learn about

How are we going to do it?

058 Action replaced by 147. Improve communication and engagement with local resident communities and local businesses to share and discuss the opportunities for enjoying the National Park and discuss issues relating to visitor management. (link to the Community Focus priority actions)

Who will deliver it?
Lead organisation (in bold) and partner organisations

# **Dartmoor National Park Authority**

Parish Councils;local
Communities;Volunteers;National Trust;Duchy of
Cornwall;West Devon Borough Council;Teignbridge
District Council;South Hams District
Council;Woodland Trust;Natural England;South West
Lakes Trust;Dartmoor Commoners Council;

How will it be resourced?

Funded

When will it be delivered?

2019

# **Update 2017**

Dartmoor

Action replaced by 147.

What we are
trying to achieve

Clear and inspiring communication about how to enjoy and learn about Dartmoor

# How are we going to do it?

059 Improve communication and engagement with local businesses to share and discuss the issues and opportunities for businesses in the National Park relating to enjoyment and understanding. (link to the Prosperous Dartmoor priority actions)

# Who will deliver it? Lead organisation (in bold) and partner

organisations

# **Dartmoor National Park Authority**

West Devon Borough Council; Teignbridge District Council; South Hams District Council; Devon County Council; Visit Dartmoor;

# How will it be resourced?

When will it be delivered?

Funding not required 2019

### **Update 2017**

DNPA continue to work with Visit Dartmoor and also through the Dartmoor Business Network where appropriate.

What we are trying to achieve	How are we going to do it?	Who will deliver it? Lead organisation (in bold) and partner organisations	How will it be resourced?	When will it be delivered?
Clear and inspiring communication about how to enjoy and learn about Dartmoor	<b>060</b> Improve communication and engagement with communities in settlements surrounding Dartmoor, developing targeted information for different geographical areas.	Plymouth City Council;West Devon Borough Council;Teignbridge District Council;South Hams District Council;Devon County Council;Parish Councils;Woodland Trust;Natural England;South West Lakes Trust;National Trust;	Subject to funding	2019

See update for 147 (058) – Outreach Programme. In addition – working with partners includes: South Hams & West Devon District Council; Devon County Council; Public Health; Police & Fire Services.

What we are trying to achieve	How are we going to do it?	Who will deliver it? Lead organisation (in bold) and partner organisations	How will it be resourced?	When will it be delivered?
Clear and inspiring communication about how to enjoy and learn about Dartmoor	O61 Utilise findings from the Audience Development Plan and interpretation strategy to tell the Dartmoor Story and agree a set of key messages that all partners can use to help people better understand and enjoy Dartmoor, and work in partnership to communicate them effectively.	Dartmoor National Park Authority  Visit Dartmoor;Natural England;Visit Devon;Education providers;Voluntary wardens;Guides;Accommodation providers;Farmers;Commoners;Tourism businesses;Dartmoor Commoners Council;National Trust;	Subject to funding, Visit Dartmoor - funding not required	2015
	ve Dartmoor produced guides in 2017 with key Dartmorough the Visitor Centres.	oor messages and DNPA told		

What we are trying to achieve	How are we going to do it?	Who will deliver it? Lead organisation (in bold) and partner organisations	How will it be resourced?	When will it be delivered?
Clear and inspiring communication about how to enjoy and learn about Dartmoor	062 Develop a network of local 'ambassadors' who will help identify and promote key messages on the ground.	Dartmoor National Park Authority  Visit Dartmoor; Natural England; National Trust; Visit Devon; Private sector; Education providers; Voluntary wardens; Guides; Accommodation providers; Farmers; Commoners; Local people; Tourism businesses; Moor than Meets the Eye project (MTMTE); Historic England;	MTMTE, DNPA Funding committed	2019

MTMTE: Links with communities and partner organisations continue to be developed through Project delivery and Scheme-wide outreach events. The original ten members of the Community Stakeholders Group have now reduced to eight due to personal commitments and they continue to act as a critical friend and advocates for the Scheme in the community. The group will probably focus on Communication and Legacy themes in the remaining two years.

DNPA - As well as the two items from the previous update which are still current, the Visitor Centres now have a Dartmoor Ambassadors programme. This has 8 regular volunteers who relay key messages to visitors either in the Visitor Centres (when the staff are busy) or in the car park as visitors arrive.

What we are trying to achieve	How are we going to do it?	Who will deliver it? Lead organisation (in bold) and partner organisations	How will it be resourced?	When will it be delivered?
Clear and inspiring communication about how to enjoy and learn about Dartmoor	063 Develop the National Park Visitor Centres as destination hubs with a focus on particular themes. Make the centres more family oriented and increase use by residents as well as visitors.	Dartmoor National Park Authority  Forest Enterprise; Devon Wildlife Trust; Natural England; Visit Dartmoor; Active Dartmoor; Dartmoor Commoners Council; Moor than Meets the Eye project (MTMTE);	Funding identified, MTMTE for Postbridg	2019 ge
DNPA have created a 3	year vision for the DNP Visitor Centres so that they 'pr I and value its special qualities.'	romote a positive experience of DNP to enable ever	ryone to strive,	

What we are trying to achieve	How are we going to do it?	Who will deliver it? Lead organisation (in bold) and partner organisations	How will it be resourced?	When will it be delivered?
Clear and inspiring communication about how to enjoy and learn about Dartmoor  Update 2017	<b>064</b> Maintain a network of Tourist Information Centres and information points across Dartmoor which carry consistent clear messages for the public.	Dartmoor National Park Authority  Natural England; Local businesses & Communities; Dartmoor National Park Authority; National Trust;Local Authorities;	Subject to funding	2019

provided with key information.' How are we going to do it? When will it be What we are Who will deliver it? How will it be trying to achieve Lead organisation (in bold) and partner resourced? delivered? organisations Understanding visitor **065** Co-ordinate and share information on visitor No funding for Visit 2015 **Visit Dartmoor** needs and trends profiling to identify and understand different Dartmoor, DNPA data audiences and user groups. Natural England; Dartmoor National Park Authority; collection funded

Trust; Ministry of Defence;

South West Lakes Trust; Forest Enterprise; National

## Update 2017

DNPA undertook a more comprehensive survey in 2017 and have also worked with other National Parks to compare visitor data. Initial survey results will be available in early December

'DNPA, National Trust and Visit Dartmoor work together to ensure consistency of message across Dartmoor. DNPA and Visit Dartmoor developing joint map to be used across key visitor publications. DNPA Information boards updated regularly and tourist information centres and local information points

What we are trying to achieve	How are we going to do it?	Who will deliver it? Lead organisation (in bold) and partner organisations	How will it be resourced?	When will it be delivered?
Understanding visitor needs and trends	O66 Implement the Dartmoor Interpretation Strategy incorporating innovative ways of communicating with visitors and residents, and utilising websites and emerging technologies to ensure that we effectively reach all audiences.	Visit Dartmoor; Natural England; South West Lakes Trust; Forest Enterprise; National Trust; Devon County Council; Devon Wildlife Trust; Dartmoor Commoners Council; Dartmoor Common Owners Association; Historic England;	Funding identified	2019
Update 2017				

DNPA has seen an increase in Social Media interactions (figures from Savannah) and in its web sites. Visit Dartmoor has also increased interactions with visitors (data to be supplied by Jen)

What we are trying to achieve	How are we going to do it?	Who will deliver it? Lead organisation (in bold) and partner organisations	How will it be resourced?	When will it be delivered?
Understanding visitor needs and trends	067 Co-ordinate promotion of Dartmoor as a destination by improving linkages and signposting between websites. (link to the Prosperous Dartmoor priority)	Visit Dartmoor  Dartmoor National Park Authority; Natural England; South West Lakes Trust; Forest Enterprise; Devon County Council;	Funding identified	2016
Update 2017				
	en increased traffic to their website from DNPA due to and Visit Dartmoor acts as the hub for Dartmoor vis	_	with Visit Devon for	

What we are trying to achieve	How are we going to do it?	Who will deliver it? Lead organisation (in bold) and partner organisations	How will it be resourced?	When will it be delivered?
Improved, sustainable recreation opportunities for all	O68 Manage the rights of way network including remedial works required following erosion due to extreme weather, and implement priority rights of way improvements set out in the Dartmoor section of the Devon Public Rights of Way Improvement Plan for 2005-2015.	Dartmoor National Park Authority  Local Communities; Devon County  Council; Landowners; Dartmoor Access Forum;	Funded	2019

We have completed another section of the Nuns Cross path repairs in June 2017 with funding from Mend our Mountains, donations from Ramblers and Donate for Dartmoor. Nov 2017 new fundraising campaign launced aiming to raise £40,000 to complete the path repairs Nuns Cross to Eylesbarrow. Further storm damage in July on the north moor led to a number of routes being washed out. Several of these have since been repaired using existing budgets but there is more to do.

What we are trying to achieve	How are we going to do it?	Who will deliver it? Lead organisation (in bold) and partner organisations	How will it be resourced?	When will it be delivered?
Improved, sustainable recreation opportunities for all	069 Identify future priorities for rights of way improvements to input to review of the Dartmoor section of the Devon Public Rights of Way Improvement Plan.	Dartmoor Access Forum  Dartmoor National Park Authority; Devon County Council; Local Communities;	Subject to funding	2016
Update 2017 Completed 2015				

What we are trying to achieve	How are we going to do it?	Who will deliver it? Lead organisation (in bold) and partner organisations	How will it be resourced?	When will it be delivered?
Improved, sustainable recreation opportunities for all	070 Explore opportunities for greater public and local community engagement in the management of the Public Rights of Way and Access network. Initial work to focus on	Voluntary wardens;Ramblers Association;Parish Councils;Local community/user groups;Dartmoor	Funded	2019
	scoping a pilot scheme in 2014.	Access Forum;		

Two years into implementing a range of new ways of working and initiatives to increase community involvement in looking after Rights of Way. For example most of our rights of way are surveyed by volunteers and previously reported we have a growing number of volunteers trained to clear vegetation using brushcutters and carrying out other practical work. We are gaining a better understanding of what works and what is not a successful in involving communities.

What we are trying to achieve	How are we going to do it?	Who will deliver it? Lead organisation (in bold) and partner organisations	How will it be resourced?	When will it be delivered?
Improved, sustainable recreation opportunities for all	<b>071</b> Manage provisions for access under the Dartmoor Commons Act 1985 and Countryside and Rights of Way Act 2000 including managing field furniture.	Dartmoor National Park Authority  Dartmoor Commoners Council;Dartmoor Common Owners Association;National Farmers Union;Country Land and Business Association;Dartmoor Access Forum;	Funded	2019
Update 2017 Inspections to CROW a	access furniture continue with repairs and replaceme	ent as required.		

What we are trying to achieve	How are we going to do it?	Who will deliver it? Lead organisation (in bold) and partner organisations	How will it be resourced?	When will it be delivered?
Improved, sustainable	<b>072</b> Develop the Plym Valley as a gateway to Dartmoor from Plymouth.	National Trust	Funding committed	2019
recreation	<b>,</b>	Devon County Council; English Heritage; Plymouth City Council; Historic England; Dartmoor Access		

Forum;

### Update 2017

encourage biodiversity).

Working with partners (Rockets and Rascals bike shop / members of the local cycling community) to advertise / improve mountain bike trails. Core staff have been on Cycle Trail maintenance training course and have visited nearby cycling centres to gain further experience.

A woodland management plan has been completed (pending review) which includes managing route 27 as a woodland ride (removal of trees to

We have been looking to secure funding for consolidation/improvement of access tracks.

What we are trying to achieve	How are we going to do it?	Who will deliver it? Lead organisation (in bold) and partner organisations	How will it be resourced?	When will it be delivered?
Improved, sustainable recreation opportunities for all	073 Develop a package of information and interpretation to enhance visitors' experience of the East Dartmoor Natural Nature Reserve and Bovey Valley and improve opportunities for people with disabilities.	Natural England  Natural Engldand; Woodland Trust; National Trust; Devon Wildlife Trust; Local communities; Devon County Council; Visit Dartmoor; Moor than Meets the Eye project (MTMTE); Historic England; Dartmoor National Park Authority; Dartmoor Access Forum;	MTMTE funding committed	2018
Update 2017 MTMTE – PB4 Engagin	g with the nature of the Bovey Valley: An extensive eve	ents programme is engaging a wide audience in a va	riety of activities wit	า

MTMTE – PB4 Engaging with the nature of the Bovey Valley: An extensive events programme is engaging a wide audience in a variety of activities, with the Woodland Trust hosting 12 events with 850 attendees (21 with 1050 target by end 2019). The Vinnimore community dig was a great success earlier this year strengthening links with the Lustleigh community and providing opportunities for general public engagement in the valley's archaeology. Professional and volunteer activity in the lichen and bat work continues in conjunction with PA4 – Discovering the nature of the Bovey Valley (see Action 30).

What we are trying to achieve	How are we going to do it?	Who will deliver it? Lead organisation (in bold) and partner organisations	How will it be resourced?	When will it be delivered?
Improved, sustainable recreation opportunities for all	074 Improve the visitor experience at Postbridge and Bellever to encourage people to stay longer and support the local community with a range of activities focusing on the heritage of the area, including the finds from Whitehorse Hill.	Forestry Commission FE  Dartmoor National Park Authority; Local community; Dartmoor Access Forum; Landscape Partnership; Visit Dartmoor; Duchy of Cornwall; Moor than Meets the Eye project (MTMTE); Dartmoor Access Forum;	MTMTE and potentially DofT linking communities cycling fund	2018

MTMTE PB1 – Bellever & Postbridge Trails: the project is significantly behind (originally scheduled to be complete now) and trail and interpretation development continues to be slower than expected. The Forestry Commission are now playing a larger role in coordinating interpretation delivery so we should see real progress over the next 6 months.

MTMTE PC8 - Postbridge Visitor Centre: The project has been beset with delays this last year but now has a clear direction following significant rescoping. The project's new focus is on developing interpretation supported by an outdoor learning environment and potentially capitalising on relocating the Whitehorse Hill cist whose site is rapidly eroding. DNPA is developing the proposal for approval by MTMTE LPS Board and HLF in January 2018.

What we are trying to achieve	How are we going to do it?	Who will deliver it? Lead organisation (in bold) and partner organisations	How will it be resourced?	When will it be delivered?
Improved,	<b>075</b> Transform the visitor experience at Castle	National Trust	<b>Funding Committed</b>	2019
sustainable	Drogo, linking the offer at Drogo with the		(HLF)	
recreation	river and woodland of the Teign Valley.	Dartmoor Access Forum;		
opportunities for all				

### **Update 2017**

Much work has been progressed in this area & I would consider this action closed (although it is ongoing work). Here's a few key things that have been completed:

- 1)Created new family friendly cycle trail along the river
- 2)Installed new interpretation /orientation signage at Fingle Bridge and at start Hunters Path at Castle Drogo
- 3)HLF funded 5 year Project to restore Fingle woods underway. Two new project posts created (Ranger & Community Engagement Officer)
- 4)Coordination of activities and shared learning with key members of the Drogo team actively involved with Fingle Woods conservation work and delivery of activity plan.

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Improved, sustainable recreation opportunities for all

### How are we going to do it?

**076** Work up proposals for other 'Areas of Opportunity' (Southern Towns and Corridors, Eastern Woods and Reservoirs, North and West Dartmoor, High Dartmoor Forests) as defined in the Recreation and Access Strategy for Dartmoor 2011-2017 to divert pressure from sites of heavy recreation use.

### Who will deliver it? Lead organisation (in bold) and partner organisations

### **Dartmoor National Park Authority**

Teignbridge District Council; South Hams District Council; West Devon Borough Council; South West Lakes Trust; Local communities; Landowners; Visit Dartmoor; Moor than Meets the Eve project (MTMTE); Dartmoor Access Forum;

How will it be resourced?

When will it be delivered?

Subject to funding but 2019 MTMTE funding committed for Fernworthy

### **Update 2017**

MTMTE PC7 – Fernworthy Reservoir Improved Access: project complete. DNPA - Bellever & Postbridge Trails (Check with Ian D), Wray valley trail

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Improved, sustainable recreation opportunities for all

### How are we going to do it?

**077** Implement the Wray Valley Trail to provide an off-road multi-use trail and improve the route between Newton Abbot and Bovey Tracey. Develop interpretation of the trail and the surrounding area based upon the influence of the Victorians.

### Who will deliver it?

Lead organisation (in bold) and partner organisations

### **Devon County Council**

Dartmoor National Park Authority; Landowners; Teignbridge District Council; Moor than Meets the Eye project (MTMTE); Dartmoor Access Forum;

### How will it be resourced?

delivered?

When will it be

Part Funded/Funding 2019 identified/Some funding required

### **Update 2017**

MTMTE PC5 – Wray Valley Trail: the final phase of the works (East Wray Barton to Lustleigh village) will be complete by Jan 2018.

DCC - Purchase of critical section north of Lustleigh completed with another due in near future. Negotiations expected on remaining sections during 2018. Construction works being carried out as and when funding allows. TDC have committed some funding.

What we are trying to achieve	How are we going to do it?	Who will deliver it?  Lead organisation (in bold) and partner organisations	How will it be resourced?	When will it be delivered?
Improved, sustainable recreation opportunities for all	<b>078</b> Ensure co-ordinated and effective management of long distance promoted routes.	Devon County Council  Dartmoor National Park Authority	Funding committed for Agency Agreement, Funding required for Dartmoor Way walking route	2019

The agency agreement continues to be in place between DCC and DNPA for PRoW management in the Park which has resulted in good partnership working supported by officer liaison meetings taking place every 6 months.

Templer Way and Two Moors Way management group meetings take place on an ad hoc basis.

What we are	How are we going to do it?	Who will deliver it?	How will it be	When will it be
trying to achieve		Lead organisation (in bold) and partner organisations	resourced?	delivered?
Improved, sustainable	<b>079</b> Develop the 'Dartmoor Way' round – Dartmoor walking and cycling circular route	The Dartmoor Way CIC	Funding identified	2018
recreation		Ramblers Association; Devon County Council;		
opportunities for all		Dartmoor National Park Authority; West Devon		
' '		Borough Council; South Hams District Council;		
		National Trust; Dartmoor Access Forum;		
Update 2017				
	nplement the Walking Route in easily achievable stained DNPA. This stage will enable completion of the V		•	
and receive web site e	nquiries regularly.			

What we are trying to achieve	How are we going to do it?	Who will deliver it? Lead organisation (in bold) and partner organisations	How will it be resourced?	When will it be delivered?
Improved, sustainable	<b>080</b> Explore the development of Heritage Trails to promote economic growth, link local	Dartmoor National Park Authority	MTMTE	2016
recreation opportunities for all	businesses and help interpret the cultural and natural heritage of the area.	English Heritage; National Trust; Visit Dartmoor; Moor than Meets the Eye project (MTMTE); Dartmoor Access Forum;		

MTMTE PC6 – Heritage Trails: the website build was completed and 'soft-launched' early 2016. Getting trails submitted continues to be the main barrier to fully realising the benefit of the website. DNPA are proposing to publicise the site more extensively in early 2018.

What we are trying to achieve	How are we going to do it?	Who will deliver it? Lead organisation (in bold) and partner organisations	How will it be resourced?	When will it be delivered?
Focused and co- ordinated management of visitors to ensure that areas for exploration and tranquillity remain for quiet enjoyment	<b>081</b> Focus resources and co-ordinate on the ground presence at sites of heavy recreation use to inform and help manage visitor pressure, and explore innovative solutions for ongoing resourcing and maintenance of facilities at these sites.	Dartmoor National Park Authority  National Trust;South West Lakes Trust;Natural England;Visit Dartmoor;Teignbridge District Council;Landowners;Dartmoor Access Forum;	Funded	2019
Update 2017 DNPA - Rangers have j	ust been re-accredited under CSAS, Continued successf	ul joint operations with Specials.		

What we are trying to achieve	How are we going to do it?	Who will deliver it? Lead organisation (in bold) and partner organisations	How will it be resourced?	When will it be delivered?
Focused and co- ordinated management of visitors to ensure that areas for exploration and	<b>082</b> Provide more visible information (with minimal landscape impact) at key sites to influence visitor behaviour and raise awareness of the special qualities of the National Park.	Dartmoor National Park Authority  National Trust; Forest Enterprise; South West Lakes Trust; Natural England; Visit Dartmoor; Landowners;	Funding identified	2019

tranquillity remain for quiet enjoyment

Ongoing work by Comms team to refresh and rework Key Messages campaign to engage, inform and educate all locals and visitors to Dartmoor. Work has also started to develop recreation management plans for heavily used sites ( Dart Valley & Haytor).

What we are trying to achieve	How are we going to do it?	Who will deliver it? Lead organisation (in bold) and partner organisations	How will it be resourced?	When will it be delivered?
Focused and co- ordinated management of visitors to ensure that areas for exploration and tranquillity remain for quiet enjoyment	083 Improve the visitor experience at Widecombe- in-the-Moor to encourage people to stay longer, support the local community and learn more about the area.	Widecombe Community  Moor than Meets the Eye project (MTMTE); National Trust; Widecombe Community;	MTMTE and NT operating resources	2016
recently been commiss	e to Widecombe: the village trail leaflet and interpretat ioned and work on the village booklet is underway. Ha lorth Hall Manor site in June 2018.			

What we are trying to achieve	How are we going to do it?	Who will deliver it? Lead organisation (in bold) and partner organisations	How will it be resourced?	When will it be delivered?
Focused and co- ordinated management of visitors to ensure that areas for exploration and tranquillity remain	O84 Continue to monitor and influence the growth of large-scale recreation events to ensure their sustainability through the Organised Events System, and promote sustainable access opportunities.	Dartmoor National Park Authority  Dartmoor Commoners Council; Dartmoor Common Owners Association; Duchy of Cornwall; Natural England; Parish Councils; Visit Dartmoor; Town Councils; Dartmoor Access Forum;	Funded	2019

for quiet enjoyment

DNPA - We are developing revised guidance for event organisers. Following a meeting with representatives from the DaCC and Dartmoor Common Owners Assoc in September 2017 some further work is planned to develop an agreed set of principles. We have introduced a more effective monitoring programme using dedicated officer time.

What we are trying to achieve	How are we going to do it?	Who will deliver it? Lead organisation (in bold) and partner organisations	How will it be resourced?	When will it be delivered?
Focused and co- ordinated management of visitors to ensure that areas for exploration and tranquillity remain for quiet enjoyment	one of the National Park and benefits for local communities. Particular focus in 2014 on working in partnership to develop and monitor the proposed new arrangements to increase resilience and enhance safety of the event.	Ministry of Defence  Dartmoor steering group and working party;	Funding committed	2019
Update 2017 New routes implement	ted successfully. Monitoring of competitors undertaker	n to ensure sensitive bird breeding sites avoided	I.	

What we are trying to achieve	How are we going to do it?	Who will deliver it? Lead organisation (in bold) and partner organisations	How will it be resourced?	When will it be delivered?
Focused and co- ordinated management of visitors to ensure that areas for exploration and tranquillity remain for quiet enjoyment	<b>086</b> Facilitate negotiation over conflicts around recreational use of rivers and their access.	Dartmoor National Park Authority  Canoe England; Riparian owners; Canoe Clubs; Landowners; National Trust; Environment Agency;	Funded	2016

Contined dialogue between riparian owners and conoeists on access to the River Dart. We are in the process of revising our website content.

What we are trying to achieve	How are we going to do it?	Who will deliver it? Lead organisation (in bold) and partner organisations	How will it be resourced?	When will it be delivered?
Focused and co- ordinated management of visitors to ensure that areas for exploration and tranquillity remain for quiet enjoyment	<b>087</b> Develop 'Pound for the Park' and review other opportunities to raise funding, from events and users, for the conservation and enjoyment of the National Park.	Dartmoor National Park Authority  Visit Dartmoor; Ministry of Defence; Local businesses; Landowners; Local communities;	Funded	2019
Update 2017				
	n incorporated into a new scheme 'Donate for Dartm from user groups eg Ramblers have been made for s			S

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Better understanding of, and access to, the health and wellbeing benefits of Dartmoor

### How are we going to do it?

O88 Develop the concept of Dartmoor's Natural Health Service as part of the Devon Local Nature Partnership's (LNP) Naturally Active priority. Scope a pilot project working with local surgeries, GPs and commissioners supporting health and well-being by providing access and recreation opportunities for all.

# Who will deliver it? Lead organisation (in bold) and partner organisations

### **Devon Local Nature Partnership**

Devon Health & Wellbeing board; Dartmoor National Park Authority; GP's; Natural England; Active devon; National Trust; Devon County Council; Woodland Trust; Dartmoor Access Forum;

## How will it be resourced?

Funded by DNPA & DCC - Public health for three years

## When will it be delivered?

2017

### Update 2017

Year three has concentrated on legacy, exit and succession. Current project ends at the end of January 2018.

The Naturally Healthy Project Officer has continued to provide engagement together with capacity building within the community to run their own events by project end. The model of a two week cycle alternating Walking for Health with the alternate fortnights having structured activity is well received. Discussions about supporting project end has seen increased training opportunities for providers and participants to 'upskill'.

Meetings with Plymouth University to review first draft of evaluation resulted in agreement to also publish a practitioner's 'tool-kit', a policy report to influence 'upwards'; plus revision to an undergraduate teaching syllabus to include 'naturally healthy' options. Launch date anticipated February 2018.

Further dissemination of findings planned for the Devon Local Nature Partnership Conference in March 2018 plus possible Ministerial visit in the Spring.

What we are trying to achieve	How are we going to do it?	Who will deliver it? Lead organisation (in bold) and partner organisations	How will it be resourced?	When will it be delivered?
Better understanding of, and access to, the health and wellbeing benefits of Dartmoor	<b>089</b> Encourage more adventure activities for people with limited mobility.	Countryside Mobility (SW)  Moorland Guides; Natural England; Dartmoor National Park Authority; South West Lakes Trust; Visit Dartmoor; Dartmoor Access Forum;	Funding withdrawn now self-funding	2017
Update 2017		Dartmoor;Dartmoor Access Forum;		

CMSW – Start-up funding for ended in 2014 so expansion of hire sites restricted as well as staff hours (project manager is part-time) which restricts ability to take on activities beyond managing hire sites. Currently have a range of hire sites around Dartmoor boundary - National Trust Parke, National Trust Castle Drogo, National Trust Lydford Gorge, National Trust Buckland Abbey, Haldon Forest. In May 2017 Tramper hire was re-instated at Devon Cycle Hire (on the Granite Way). As part of some new funding Countryside Mobility is in negotiations with The Woodland Trust and National Trust about the potential for Tramper hire in Fingle Woods. Countryside Mobility also provided input to the Devon Countryside Access Forum In October/ November support was given by a range of individuals interested in access to assist Dartmoor National Park's bid for funding to improve accessibility.

Planning has commenced to include accessible opportunities within the 2018 Dartmoor Walking Festival.

What we are trying to achieve	How are we going to do it?	Who will deliver it? Lead organisation (in bold) and partner organisations	How will it be resourced?	When will it be delivered?
Sustainable modes of travel onto and around Dartmoor	<b>090</b> Promote the Haytor Hoppa and seek new funding sources to support bus links, different public transport services and sustainable transport options to improve access to and within Dartmoor, including working with the voluntary sector.	Dartmoor National Park Authority  Devon County Council; Local businesses; Natural England; Dartmoor Access Forum;	Funding identified	2019
Update 2017				

The Haytor Hoppa had a successful year in 2017 running on the same reduced service that was introduced in 2016. Bus user figures were higher however, the Hoppa is now the only visitor service running onto Dartmoor. Little progress has been made in other areas due to lack of funding and officer time.

What we are trying to achieve		How are we going to do it?	Who will deliver it? Lead organisation (in bold) and partner organisations	How will it be resourced?	When will it be delivered?
Sustainable modes of travel onto and around Dartmoor	091	Develop opportunities to improve information provision (e.g. through real-time information) on how to access Dartmoor via public transport with a focus on gateway towns.	Devon County Council	Funding committed	2017
Update 2017					
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		al though not yet fully publicized. All on-street displact assumes that most people's access to the sy	splays are now installed. Locations include Newton ystem will be via internet and smart phone.	Abbot, Okehampton,	
What we are trying to achieve		How are we going to do it?	Who will deliver it? Lead organisation (in bold) and partner organisations	How will it be resourced?	When will it be delivered?
Sustainable modes of travel onto and around Dartmoor	092	Work with taxi operators to identify options and seek funding to develop a bike/ramblers rescue offer giving visitors the confidence to access the Moor by alternatives to the car.	Devon County Council	Funding not required	2015
Update 2017		•			
Completed 2015					
What we are trying to achieve		How are we going to do it?	Who will deliver it? Lead organisation (in bold) and partner organisations	How will it be resourced?	When will it be delivered?
Opportunities for everyone to learn more about Dartmoor	093	Promote events, activities and guided walks for all, with a particular focus on specific audiences who are hard to reach or currently not catered for, and ensure that a selection are accessible to everyone (e.g. with tramper hire, suitable for families with pushchairs, etc).	Dartmoor National Park Authority  Natural England; Moorland Guides; Countryside  Mobility (SW); South West Lakes Trust; National Trust;	Funding committed/identified	2019

The second 'Meldon Wildlife Festival' ran in August 2017 and was supported by partners from last year plus new participants creating different activities and animal groups for the public to find out about. The festival attracted around 500 people and was again an opportunity to celebrate Dartmoor's biodiversity in this unique setting close to and accessible from Okehampton.

The Dartmoor Walking Festival organised by Moorland Guides also contributes to the opportunities for those identified. The event included walks with NP staff to support the event.

What we are trying to achieve		How are we going to do it?	Who will deliver it? Lead organisation (in bold) and partner organisations	How will it be resourced?	When will it be delivered?
Opportunities for everyone to learn	094	Develop 'heritage and helping hands' holiday itineraries to help people better understand	Visit Dartmoor	Funding identified - MTMTE	2019
more about Dartmoor		and explore Dartmoor and get involved in volunteering activities.	Moor than Meets the Eye project (MTMTE);		

VD: No further action on this project to date

MTMTE: volunteering is central to many of the Scheme's projects, providing a range of opportunities, although there is no specific link to holiday itineraries.

What we are trying to achieve	How are we going to do it?	Who will deliver it?  Lead organisation (in bold) and partner  organisations	How will it be resourced?	When will it be delivered?
Opportunities for everyone to learn	<b>095</b> Continue to develop the network provided by Dartmoor Educators Forum including an	Dartmoor National Park Authority	Funded	2019
more about Dartmoor  Update 2017	annual event.	Education providers;		
outdoor learning setting	s' Forum was hosted by DNPA at Parke in January 20 gs on Dartmoor for structured networking, showcase eigh Naturally Healthy Project.	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	•	al

What we are trying to achieve	How are we going to do it?	Who will deliver it?  Lead organisation (in bold) and partner organisations	How will it be resourced?	When will it be delivered?
Opportunities for everyone to learn	<b>096</b> Continue to provide Learning Outside the Classroom against backdrop of Curriculum	Dartmoor Educators Forum	Funding committed	2019

### Update 2017

more about Dartmoor

review.

The Dartmoor Educators' Forum was hosted by DNPA at Parke in January 2017. It brought together over 30 practitioners and providers from across outdoor learning settings on Dartmoor for structured networking, showcase & share plus specific presentations about Defra's 8 Point Plan for National Parks and the Buckfastleigh Naturally Healthy Project.

What we are trying to achieve	How are we going to do it?	Who will deliver it? Lead organisation (in bold) and partner organisations	How will it be resourced?	When will it be delivered?
Opportunities for everyone to learn more about Dartmoor	resources, both locally and through National Parks UK/National Parks England with case studies, teaching and learning materials.	Dartmoor National Park Authority  Association of National Parks/National Parks England;	Funded (dependent on continued resourcing of web presence by NP UK/NP England)	2019
Update 2017 Web-hits show increased				

What we are trying to achieve	When will it be delivered?
Opportunities for	d 2019
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otherwise miss this important experiential learning opportunity.

Dartmoor National Park Authority's Education service provided 3 events for 150 trainee teachers / practitioners in 2016-17 to help them develop skills and confidence in using Dartmoor as an outdoor classroom.

In addition Co-host the 16th European Institute for Outdoor Adventure Education and Experiential Learning 4 day conference with Marjon University, Plymouth. Providing a keynote, a discussion group plus a group study visit to Dartmoor. 77 practitioners and academics from 14 nations.

What we are trying to achieve	How are we going to do it?	Who will deliver it? Lead organisation (in bold) and partner organisations	How will it be resourced?	When will it be delivered?
Opportunities for everyone to learn	<b>099</b> Support direct learning experiences on Dartmoor, particularly through volunteer-led	Dartmoor Educators Forum	Funding committed	2019
more about Dartmoor	activities and programmes.	Dartmoor National Park Authority; Education providers;		
Update 2017		•		
	ational Park Authority's Education & Outreach Service I attracted nearly 500 people. This year also saw the to		· ·	

What we are trying to achieve	How are we going to do it?	Who will deliver it? Lead organisation (in bold) and partner organisations	How will it be resourced?	When will it be delivered?
Opportunities for everyone to learn	<b>100</b> Encourage young people to enjoy and understand Dartmoor by exploring	Dartmoor Educators Forum	Funding committed, MTMTE (limited	2019
more about Dartmoor	opportunities to engage with them about Dartmoor on subjects and activities that motivate them.	Dartmoor National Park Authority;Education Providers;	funding available)	

The successful Junior Ranger scheme, piloted in 2015, drew a further cohort of applicants who all completed their four awards: Europarc Junior Ranger, John Muir Award, Dartmoor Junior Ranger Certificate plus the National Outdoor Learning Award.

What we are trying to achieve	How are we going to do it?	Who will deliver it? Lead organisation (in bold) and partner organisations	How will it be resourced?	When will it be delivered?
Opportunities for everyone to learn more about Dartmoor	101 Use innovative activities and events to reach out to a young and diverse audience, including opportunities for family (adult) learning.	Dartmoor National Park Authority; Natural England; Woodland Trust; Devon Wildlife Trust; Devon County Council; Dartmoor Commoners Council; National Trust; Local schools & Colleges; Moor than Meets the Eye project (MTMTE); Ministry of Defence;	DNPA funding, MTMTE funding committed	2019
Update 2017				
young and diverse audie	nd its Projects continue to provide a diverse range of ence, including opportunities for family (adult) learning provides opportunities to reach out to a young audien	g.	entially attracting a	

What we are trying to achieve	How are we going to do it?	Who will deliver it? Lead organisation (in bold) and partner organisations	How will it be resourced?	When will it be delivered?
Opportunities for everyone to learn more about Dartmoor	102 Involve schools, families and communities Dartmoor-based conservation projects to enthuse them about Dartmoor's natural a cultural heritage, learn more about it, and encourage them to become the custodian the future.	Dartmoor National Park Authority;Education Providers;Devon County Council;Local Schools &	Funding for specific projects included in MTMTE	2019

DNPA: In the year 2016-17 we ran 12 informal learning events for Ranger Ralph club families involving 400+ participants.

MTMTE - All our projects are community focussed with the majority involving schools, families and communities in their design and delivery. As part of the management of the EDNNR we're actively developing school links by using the nationally recognised John Muir award scheme.

What we are trying to achieve	How are we going to do it?	Who will deliver it? Lead organisation (in bold) and partner organisations	How will it be resourced?	When will it be delivered?
Opportunities for everyone to learn	<b>103</b> Develop a series of farm events and a to explore the history of farming and	•	Not funded	2019
more about Dartmoor  Update 2017	in maintaining the fabric of the landso	cape. Dartmoor Farmers Association;		
An opportunity has aris	en to investigate the possibility of farm even	ts through the Heritage Lottery Grant.		
What we are trying to achieve	How are we going to do it?	Who will deliver it? Lead organisation (in bold) and partner	How will it be resourced?	When will it be delivered?
		organisations		
Clear and inspiring communication	<b>147</b> Develop a programme of activity to p engagement and respect between pe	romote Dartmoor National Park Authority		2019

Commoners Council,

Natural England, South West Lakes Trust, Dartmoor

### Update 2017

Dartmoor

Workshop aimed at event organisers which will be repeated in 2018. A farm walk organised to help raise awareness and challenges of Hill farming.

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priority actions)

guidelines. (link to the Community Focus

## YOUR DARTMOOR ACTION PLAN 2017 YEAR 4

PRIORITY	Р	Prosperous Dartmoor			
What we are trying to achieve	H	How are we going to do it?	Who will deliver it? Lead organisation (in bold) and partner organisations	How will it be resourced?	When will it be delivered?
Linking prosperity and protection	C	Work with partners to identify and promote opportunities for growth within the National Park (in terms of target sectors and locations).	Devon County Council; West Devon Borough Council; South Hams District Council; Teignbridge District Council; Local Businesses; Parish Councils; Town Councils; Devon Tourism Partnership;	Funded	2019
<b>Update 2017</b> Published					
What we are trying to achieve	H	How are we going to do it?	Who will deliver it? Lead organisation (in bold) and partner organisations	How will it be resourced?	When will it be delivered?
Linking prosperity and protection	S	Communicate National Park policies to support appropriate business opportunities and address perceived barriers.	Dartmoor National Park Authority  Local Businesses;Local farmers;	Funded	2019
•		pport to businesses over 2017. Further work is	being planned for 2018 onwards with a bid current	tly being pursued	
GUTS offered program What we are	nme of su	upport to businesses over 2017. Further work is  How are we going to do it?	being planned for 2018 onwards with a bid current Who will deliver it? Lead organisation (in bold) and partner organisations	How will it be resourced?	When will it be delivered?
Update 2017 GUTS offered program What we are trying to achieve Linking prosperity and protection	nme of su F 106 V C e		Who will deliver it? Lead organisation (in bold) and partner	How will it be	

Following publication of joint Dartmoor & Exmoor Economic Prospectus in 2015, a Rural Productivity Network proposal has been prepared jointly by DNPA & ENPA, The concept is also embedded in the 'Devolution for the Heart of the South West: A Prospectus for Productivity'.

What we are trying to achieve Linking prosperity and protection	<ul><li>How are we going to do it?</li><li>107 Action replaced by 148. Explore how to develop a strong business voice for Greater Dartmoor.</li></ul>	Who will deliver it? Lead organisation (in bold) and partner organisations Visit Dartmoor  Dartmoor National Park Authority;Local Businesses;	How will it be resourced?  Subject to funding	When will it be delivered? 2015
Update 2017 Action replaced by 148.				
What we are trying to achieve	How are we going to do it?	Who will deliver it? Lead organisation (in bold) and partner organisations	How will it be resourced?	When will it be delivered?
Linking prosperity and protection	<b>108</b> Support the 'Love Your National Parks' celebration to help deliver rural growth.	National Parks England  Dartmoor National Park Authority;	Funded	2015
Update 2017 Completed 2015				
What we are trying to achieve	How are we going to do it?	Who will deliver it? Lead organisation (in bold) and partner organisations	How will it be resourced?	When will it be delivered?
Linking prosperity and protection	109 Building on the experience of Greater Dartmoor LEAF, develop proposals for next round of EU funding.	Greater Dartmoor Local Action Group  Dartmoor National Park Authority; Teignbridge District Council; South Hams District Council; West Devon Borough Council; Devon County Council; Heart of the South West LEP; Visit Dartmoor;	Funded	2014
Update 2017 Completed 2014.				

What we are trying to achieve	How are we going to do it?	Who will deliver it? Lead organisation (in bold) and partner organisations	How will it be resourced?	When will it be delivered?
Boosting the green economy	<b>110</b> Develop support networks for tourism and trade businesses, including mentoring, advice lines, training and marketing.	Visit Dartmoor	Not funded	2015
Update 2017				
DBN continue to offer	events, guidance and training course which Visit Dartr	noor promote and add to as required.		
What we are trying to achieve	How are we going to do it?	Who will deliver it? Lead organisation (in bold) and partner organisations	How will it be resourced?	When will it be delivered?
Boosting the green	111 Develop local supply chains with an initial	Visit Dartmoor	Not Funded	2016
economy	focus on food and drink.	Dartmoor National Park Authority; Devon County Council; South Hams District Council; West Devon Borough Council; Teignbridge District Council; Businesses;		
Update 2017				
The proposal was not	developed further and no bid placed with GD Leaf or w	rith Defra due to capacity.		
What we are trying to achieve	How are we going to do it?	Who will deliver it? Lead organisation (in bold) and partner organisations	How will it be resourced?	When will it be delivered?
Boosting the green economy	112 Maximise the local economic benefits from military use of the National Park through working with service providers to encourage local supply chains and community benefit clauses.	Ministry of Defence	Funded	2015
Update 2017				
Completed 2014.				

What we are trying to achieve	How are we going to do it?	Who will deliver it? Lead organisation (in bold) and partner organisations	How will it be resourced?	When will it be delivered?
Boosting the green economy	<b>113</b> Develop, test and promote products from Dartmoor which help sustain local businesses and the environment.	Dartmoor Hill Farm Project	Not funded	2015
Update 2017				
Although not a funding	g priority for HFP recent discussions with a private secto	or business may present an opportunity to deve	lop use of local products	<b>.</b>

What we are trying to achieve	How are we going to do it?	Who will deliver it? Lead organisation (in bold) and partner organisations	How will it be resourced?	When will it be delivered?
Entrepreneurship and skills development	<b>114</b> Develop and implement the Dartmoor Diploma to improve heritage and business	Moor than Meets the Eye project (MTMTE)	MTMTE	2019
	skills and knowledge for people looking after, sharing or working in the National Park.	Dartmoor Hill Farm Project; Moor Skills Ltd;		

The original Dartmoor Diploma project was successfully re-scoped in early 2017 into two projects: PD4 – Heritage Skills Training and PD5 – Conservation Apprentices, both led by DNPA. Heritage Skills Training: A new Training Coordinator was appointed in August 2017 and is developing a comprehensive Dartmoor training programme, building on the predominantly farming/agricultural skills training already developed and delivered by the Hill Farm Project. Additional funding was secured from the Princes Countryside Fund to support this project. Conservation Apprentices: Two apprentices were appointed in June 2017 and another is currently being recruited to join the team in early 2018.

What we are trying to achieve	How are we going to do it?	Who will deliver it? Lead organisation (in bold) and partner organisations	How will it be resourced?	When will it be delivered?
Entrepreneurship and skills development	115 Investigate opportunities for apprenticeships on Dartmoor linked to delivery of the National Park's purposes.	Dartmoor National Park Authority  Dartmoor Hill Farm Project; Dartmoor Woodfuel Cooperative;	?	2019
Update 2017  DHFP - Two apprentices	s recruited through moorskills studying at level 3 throu	gh Duchy College.		

DNPA - Appointed Digital Comms apprentice in October 2016 and two Conservation Apprentices in June 2017.

A third Conservation Apprentice appointed January 2018 (currently four apprentices in post).

Two of the Conservation Apprentices are part-funded by Moor than meets the eye.

Provision in Medium Term Financial Plan to 2020/21 to maintain three apprenticeships across the Authority.

Further apprenticeships through partnerships and external funding are considered as opportunities arise.

DNPA is also engaged in a Trailblazer Project to develop a Countryside Worker Apprenticeship Standard; further Standards relating to Tourism/Visitor Management and Built Heritage are in the pipeline for development by 2020

What we are trying to achieve	How are we going to do it?	Who will deliver it? Lead organisation (in bold) and partner organisations	How will it be resourced?	When will it be delivered?
Infrastructure to support business	116 Deliver superfast broadband roll out on Dartmoor.	Connecting Devon & Somerset	Funding committed	2017
development and employment		Connecting Dartmoor;		

### **Update 2017**

Rollout - Substantial part of network now 'live' with the network currently 'seeing' around 4,000 premises. The final coverage of phase 1 (delivered by BT) was confirmed in July, work now continues in maximising Airband coverage of the remaining premises to achieve best possible outcome.

Connecting The Great British Village Hall – Airband offers village halls on Dartmoor and Exmoor a free broadband connection when in area. To date, 8 halls have been connected, 1 is awaiting install and 1 is being mapped.

Devon County Show & Local Events - Airband both sponsored and held stands at the 2017 Devon County Show, Dunster Show, Exford Show and Chagford Show including a meeting with Michael Gove. It also sponsored and attended Widecombe Fair, supplying Broadband for the show and its attendees

What we are trying to achieve	How are we going to do it?	Who will deliver it?  Lead organisation (in bold) and partner organisations	How will it be resourced?	When will it be delivered?
Infrastructure to support business development and employment	117 Work with partner organisations to increase mobile coverage throughout the National Park including through pre-application advice to guide mobile phone operators to the most suitable sites or to encourage opportunities for site sharing.	Dartmoor National Park Authority  DCMS/BDUK; Telecom providers;	Funded to March 201	5 2015
Update 2017				
There has been little	progress on this issue.			
What we are trying to achieve	How are we going to do it?	Who will deliver it? Lead organisation (in bold) and partner organisations	How will it be resourced?	When will it be delivered?
Infrastructure to support business	118 Seek rail service enhancements through the Great Western Rail Franchise process and	Devon County Council	A combination of : Funding committed /	2019
development and employment	encourage linkages with bus services and walking and cycling opportunities.	Heart of the South West LEP;Teignbridge District Council;South Hams District Council;West Devon Borough Council;	Funding identified / Not funded	
Update 2017				
Department for Trans	sport and the train operating company are examining th	ne provision of a trial daily service between Exeter	and Okehampton for	

Department for Transport and the train operating company are examining the provision of a trial daily service between Exeter and Okehampton for possible inclusion in this or the next franchise. The County Council again funded the Sunday service in Summer 2017 and is likely to do so in Summer 2018. Position regarding Okehampton East remains as previously.

What we are trying to achieve	How are we going to do it?	Who will deliver it? Lead organisation (in bold) and partner	How will it be resourced?	When will it be delivered?
		organisations		
Infrastructure to support business	<b>119</b> Review the Dartmoor section of the Devon and Torbay Local Transport Plan.	Devon County Council	Funding identified	2017
development and	· · ·	Dartmoor National Park Authority; Teignbridge		
employment		District Council; South Hams District Council; West		
		Devon Borough Council;		
Update 2017				
	g a range of specific policy statements during 2018 incluy. There will be no full re-writing of the LTP.	iding Devon Metro (rail), building on existing ones	such as the cycling and	

What we are trying to achieve	How are we going to do it?	Who will deliver it? Lead organisation (in bold) and partner organisations	How will it be resourced?	When will it be delivered?
Linking prosperity and protection	<b>148</b> Develop an upland economic hub to help develop an integrated voice for Dartmoor	<b>Dartmoor National Park Authority</b>	Funding not required	2019
·	businesses, encourage networking and co- operative working and establish projects to improve the sustainability of Dartmoor	Local businesses; Visit Dartmoor;		

The DBN has gone from strength to strength and holds regular events, network meetings and training.

Businesses.

What we are trying to achieve	How are we going to do it?	Who will deliver it?  Lead organisation (in bold) and partner  organisations	How will it be resourced?	When will it be delivered?
Linking prosperity and protection	<b>149</b> Help Dartmoor businesses and communities benefit from the Greater Dartmoor leaf	Greater Dartmoor Local Action Group	Funded	2019
•	business plan.	Dartmoor National Park Authority, Teignbridge		
		District Council, South Hams District Council, West		
		Devon Borough Council, Devon County Council,		
		Heart of the South West LEP, Dartmoor Businesses,		
		local communities		
Update 2017				
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By the end of 2017 GD Leaf had supported 37 projects and allocated nearly £1mill creating nearly 80 jobs at a cost of £12,612 per job. This is 20 more jobs already than contracted to deliver over the whole programme and at a lower cost than many other investment programmes. The programme is performing well and is very likely to be allocated additional funding reflecting its success.

## YOUR DARTMOOR ACTION PLAN 2017 YEAR 4

**Community Focus** 

What we are trying to achieve	How are we going to do it?	Who will deliver it? Lead organisation (in bold) and partner organisations	How will it be resourced?	When will it be delivered?
Resilient and empowered local communities	120 Explore and further develop ways of engagin with local communities (including communities of interest) to help identify needs and deliver National Park purposes.	Parish Councils; Local Authorities; National Park Forum; Dartmoor Commoners Council;	Funded	2015
Update 2017				
Christmas. The Fund	ies Fund has continued in 2017/18, opening to applica was over-subscribed in West Devon and South Hams to support the development of community services a	this year. The Dartmoor Communities Fund has a		
What we are trying to achieve	How are we going to do it?	Who will deliver it? Lead organisation (in bold) and partner organisations	How will it be resourced?	When will it be delivered?
Resilient and empowered local	<b>121</b> Develop the Buckfastleigh Neighbourhood Plan and share lessons learnt with other	Buckfastleigh Town Council	Funded (specific funding from CLG)	2015
communities	communities. Action now combined with 122	<ul> <li>Dartmoor National Park Authority; Teignbridge</li> <li>District Council;</li> </ul>		
Update 2017				
Combined with action	າ 122.			
What we are trying to achieve	How are we going to do it?	Who will deliver it? Lead organisation (in bold) and partner organisations	How will it be resourced?	When will it be delivered?
Resilient and empowered local	<b>122</b> Support communities who wish to identify local goals and development opportunities	Dartmoor National Park Authority	Funding identified	2019
communities	through community-led planning.	Teignbridge District Council;South Hams District		

Council for Devon;

Council; West Devon Borough Council; Community

### **Update 2017**

**PRIORITY** 

10 parishes designated neighbourhood planning areas: Buckfastleigh, Ashburton, Buckland Monachorum, Bridestowe/Sourton, Okehampton/Okehampton Hamlets, Dartmoor Forest, Horrabridge, Bovey Tracey. In addition North Bovey is pursuing a Parish Plan.

What we are trying to achieve	How are we going to do it?	Who will deliver it? Lead organisation (in bold) and partner organisations	How will it be resourced?	When will it be delivered?
Resilient and empowered local communities	<b>123</b> Develop and sustain a co-ordinated approach to volunteering in the National Park.	Dartmoor National Park Authority  Natural England; Dartmoor Preservation Association; Moor than Meets the Eye project (MTMTE);	Funding identified, MTMTE	2019

MTMTE – The Scheme has a £114,000 target for Volunteering input (equivalent to 2,280 'unskilled' days) and their involvement in the Scheme is progressing extremely well. There are currently 99 registered volunteers whom have kindly given: 2,071 'Unskilled', 655 'Skilled' and 76 'Professional' days, equivalent to £229k.

MTMTE PB6 – Managing Volunteers specifically, is slightly behind schedule as we've found that supporting volunteer needs has been less than budgeted for. We continue to support volunteers' needs and develop appropriate training where required to deliver MTMTE projects. There is scope to utilise potential underspend to develop a bespoke 'mobile volunteer workshop' which was supported at 20171011 MTMTE LPS Board. This will be developed by DNPA for approval by the MTMTE LPS Board and HLF.

What we are trying to achieve	How are we going to do it?	Who will deliver it? Lead organisation (in bold) and partner organisations	How will it be resourced?	When will it be delivered?
Resilient and empowered local communities	124 Identify and support opportunities for local communities and interest groups to get involved in monitoring the State of the National Park.	Dartmoor National Park Authority  Royal Society for the Protection of Birds; Natural England; Devon Wildlife Trust; Dartmoor Commoners Council;	Funded	2019
Update 2017				
No progress				

What we are trying to achieve	How are we going to do it?	Who will deliver it? Lead organisation (in bold) and partner organisations	How will it be resourced?	When will it be delivered?
Resilient and empowered local communities	125 Work with the local community to develop a shared vision for the regeneration of Princetown and a project plan to deliver the vision.	Dartmoor National Park Authority  Local community & businesses; Duchy of Cornwall; Dartmoor Forest Parish Council; West Devon Borough Council; Moor Trees; HMP Dartmoor;	Subject to locality funding	2017
Update 2017				
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Duchy Square and Lords now occupied. Planning Permission granted for new Distillery site and extension to Brewery. Improvements to 'granite and gears' cycle route along railway and Nuns Cross now complete all of which help to increase visitor footfall. Distillery proposal will offer improvements to access and car park area, improvements to Duchy Square and forecourt will be considered to build on increased visitor numbers and enable good visitor circulation around the village centre.

What we are trying to achieve	How are we going to do it?	Who will deliver it? Lead organisation (in bold) and partner organisations	How will it be resourced?	When will it be delivered?
Resilient and empowered local	<b>126</b> Involve local communities in the preparation of Masterplans for development sites at	Dartmoor National Park Authority	Funding committed (including funds from	2019
communities	Chagford, Ashburton and Buckfastleigh.	Local Communities & businesses; Parish Councils; Teignbridge District Council; West Devon Borough Council; Devon County Council;	developers)	

### Update 2017

Chagford - Masterplan site now under construction.

Ashburton - formally withdrawn from project, applications on parts of the site are currently being considered. Buckfastleigh – the landowner has confirmed the site is no longer available.

What we are trying to achieve	How are we going to do it?	Who will deliver it? Lead organisation (in bold) and partner organisations	How will it be resourced?	When will it be delivered?
Help meet identified needs for local affordable housing and other services	127 Continue to work with local communities to identify affordable housing needs, and opportunities to deliver these.	Devon Rural Housing Partnership  Dartmoor National Park Authority; Teignbridge District Council; West Devon Borough Council; South Hams District Council; Community Council for Devon; Housing Associations; Housing providers;	Funding Committed	2015
Undete 2017				

Devon Rural Housing Partnership has continued to work with local communities to identify housing needs and opportunities to deliver these.

• A housing need survey for Hennock (Teignbridge) was completed in January 2017. The report identified a need for twenty affordable homes within the next 5 years. Eighteen of these households could only afford affordable rented housing. A total of 29 households showed an interest in self-build.

A housing need survey for Sourton (West Devon) was completed in April 2016. This was carried out with Bridestowe parish. Three households in need were identified in Sourton and 8 in Bridestowe. One household did not identify a parish. The majority of households in need required affordable rented accommodation.

•The RHE contacted Lustleigh (Teignbridge) to try to arrange a housing need survey but the Parish Council declined.

Following a site appraisal exercise at Cornwood a DNPA Planning Officer and the RHE have been brokering a affordable housing land-release model that will be acceptable to the estate landowner. A model has been agreed and a housing need survey is planned to identify the need in the parish. The RHE has been working with DNPA and TDPA to facilitate affordable housing in the parishes of Ilsington and Bickington (part of the area under consideration falls within DNPA area). The RHE assessed the housing need and local connection of a group of local self-builders and produced a report. The RHE also carried out a site appraisal exercise with planners from TeDC and DNPA and interviewed landowners of potential sites. The RHE assisted in reporting on this work to both Parish Councils.

The RHE has continued to work closely with Dan Janota and Chloe Thomas at DNPA to explore self-build opportunities and support individuals and community groups interested in embarking on a self-build project by:

- ■Revising the current register
- Maintaining and administering the register
- ■Besponding to day to day enquiries
- Support and information to a number of self-build groups/individuals

The RHE produced a report commissioned by Dan Janota to provide research and analysis of the current housing situation in the DNPA area to assist with future planning for all types of housing tenure. The areas covered included:

- Average house prices across the area and by local authority
- ●Bouse price to income ratios to assess affordability
- •Examination of existing housing stock by whole area and local authority and at affordable housing stock by local authority and parish. (broken down by size and tenure)
- Analysis of self-build data from the register.

- Investigation of the number of Right to Buy sales and repossessions on Dartmoor.
- Analysis of Devon Home Choice data (current need and recent lettings)
- ■ Manalysis of Empty Homes data across the moor by local authority

What we are trying to achieve	How are we going to do it?	Who will deliver it? Lead organisation (in bold) and partner organisations	How will it be resourced?	When will it be delivered?
Help meet identified needs for local affordable housing and other services	128 Assist communities with exploring alternative transport options, including community transport schemes, through advice on funding, governance arrangements and making best use of existing transport.	Devon County Council	Funding identified	2019
Update 2017				
~	The County Council continues to support the communit ner than see new community schemes set up, we encou		_	

What we are trying to achieve	How are we going to do it?	Who will deliver it? Lead organisation (in bold) and partner organisations	How will it be resourced?	When will it be delivered?
Help meet identified needs for local affordable housing and other services	129 Explore how partners can work together and with volunteers and local communities to support independent living, addressing issues of an ageing population, rural isolation and vulnerability. Identify a pilot community on Dartmoor.	Devon Health & Wellbeing board  Devon County Council; West Devon CVS; South Hams CVS; Teignbridge CVS; Emergency Services;	Subject to funding	2016

The Devon Health and Wellbeing Board was formed from its Shadow Board in April 2013, the Board has produced a Joint Strategic Needs Assessment and Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy which are published on the Devon Health and Wellbeing Pages and address many of the issues in the priority. http://www.devonhealthandwellbeing.org.uk/

The HWBB Board has a Compact with the Local Nature Partnership and there is strong cross over with the Naturally Healthy theme of the LNP. Devon County Council Public Health has grant funded Dartmoor National Park to develop this work by creating opportunities for a greater diversity and number of people to be naturally active by working collaboratively with local communities and partners in the National Park. This work has focussed on Buckfastleigh. There is no further funding commitment. There may be other work relating to supporting independent living outside the work of the Health and Wellbeing Board in particular through the District Councils.

What we are trying to achieve		How are we going to do it?	Who will deliver it? Lead organisation (in bold) and partner organisations	How will it be resourced?	When will it be delivered?
A robust and up to date policy base to guide new development  Update 2017  Adopted May 2014.	130	Develop Supplementary Planning Guidance on affordable housing.	Dartmoor National Park Authority	Funded	2014
What we are trying to achieve		How are we going to do it?	Who will deliver it? Lead organisation (in bold) and partner organisations	How will it be resourced?	When will it be delivered?
A robust and up to date policy base to guide new development Update 2017 Adopted May 2014.	131	Revise Local Development Scheme including consideration of policies for minerals and waste related development	Dartmoor National Park Authority	Funded	2014
What we are trying to achieve		How are we going to do it?	Who will deliver it? Lead organisation (in bold) and partner organisations	How will it be resourced?	When will it be delivered?
Linking prosperity and protection	132	Work together to assess the impact of development proposed outside the boundary of the National Park to avoid any harm to the setting of the National Park.	Local Authorities  Dartmoor National Park Authority; Parish Councils; Devon Landscape Policy Group;	Not Funded	2019
1)A consideration of la (commencing late 15/2	ndscap 16) I quanti	ording the scope and timing of the work, and con e impacts through the review of the Landscape C fy increase in diffuse recreational impacts as a co	Character Assessment and an additional landsca	pe sensitivity study	

LED lighting installation on track to be finalised by March 2018						
How are we going to do it?	Who will deliver it? Lead organisation (in bold) and partner organisations	How will it be resourced?	When will it be delivered?			
<b>134</b> Minimise the effect of military training on tranquillity.	Ministry of Defence	Funded	2019			
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How are we going to do it?	Who will deliver it? Lead organisation (in bold) and partner organisations	How will it be resourced?	When will it be delivered?			
135 Identify and monitor significant forces for change affecting the National Park and its setting to inform future policy and updates of the Landscape Character Assessment.	Dartmoor National Park Authority	Funded	2019			
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Who will deliver it?

**Devon County Council** 

organisations

Lead organisation (in bold) and partner

What we are

nature

trying to achieve

Connect people with

How are we going to do it?

133 Protect dark night skies through continuing to

work with local communities on the part-

How will it be

Funding committed

resourced?

When will it be

delivered?

2018

What we are trying to achieve	How are we going to do it?	Who will deliver it? Lead organisation (in bold) and partner organisations	How will it be resourced?	When will it be delivered?
Connect people with nature	<b>136</b> With the energy distribution companies discuss and facilitate the opportunities to	<b>Dartmoor Preservation Association</b>	Subject to funding	2019
	change to underground cabling where this v improve the landscape character of the National Park.	Utility Companies;Dartmoor National Park Author	rity;	
Update 2017				
•	inding of WPD overhead line achieved through 2 scoact as lead on identifying and bringing forward fur	•		d.
What we are	How are we going to do it?	Who will deliver it?	How will it be	When will it be

What we are trying to achieve	How are we going to do it?	Who will deliver it? Lead organisation (in bold) and partner organisations	How will it be resourced?	When will it be delivered?
Connect people with nature	137 Encourage the use of sustainable construction including sustainable urban drainage systems (SUDS) on new development schemes.	Dartmoor National Park Authority  Devon County Council; Environment Agency;	Through Local Plan policies and development management	2019

Completed 2015

What we are trying to achieve	How are we going to do it?	Who will deliver it?  Lead organisation (in bold) and partner  organisations	How will it be resourced?	When will it be delivered?
Low carbon communities	138 Work together through the South West Devon Community Energy Partnership to deliver initiatives on energy efficiency and retrofit (linked to ECO and the Green Deal), and renewable energy.	South West Devon Community Energy Partnership Teignbridge District Council;	ff (to April 2014) Funded (to April 2014) Beyond this the Partnership will need to be self-sustaining	

SWDCEP continues to be active and partners bringing forward a number of projects looking to promote energy efficiency measures and secure appropriate renewable energy schemes. For example recent projects include Energy Savers, Energy Champions training and Renewable Energy Opportunities. http://www.swdcep.org.uk/ Supported by DSDF.

What we are trying to achieve	How are we going to do it?	Who will deliver it? Lead organisation (in bold) and partner organisations	How will it be resourced?	When will it be delivered?
Low carbon communities	139 Help to make Dartmoor local communities and businesses more resilient in the event of incidents and emergencies, including flooding, to help them adapt to the long-term implications of climate change.	Devon County Council  Devon, Cornwall & Isles of Silly Local Resilience Forum; Teignbridge District Council; South Hams District Council; West Devon Borough Council; Dartmoor National Park Authority; Parish Councils; Local Communities; Environment	Funding identified	2019

Agency; Visit Dartmoor;

### **Update 2017**

The Town Council and Lower Town Flood Group continue to monitor the risk of flooding using their procedures as defined in the Community Emergency Plan. Volunteers and necessary equipment are in place to follow the plan if a flooding incident was to occur. The properties provided with Property Level Resilience measures through the Defra funded Pathfinder are ready to deploy their flood protection equipment as and when required. To date these have not been fully tested against a major event but give the residents added comfort of being able to reduce the risk of flooding when storm conditions are predicted.

Devon County Council continue to work in partnership with the Environment Agency on flood resilience initiatives and in particular on the Dartmoor Headwaters project looking at ways of reducing flood risk through Natural Flood Management (NFM) methods. A number of communities in Dartmoor and surrounding areas will benefit from this project during the funding period 2017-21. DCC are promoting NFM works in the Hanger Down area of Dartmoor, north of Ivybridge, to reduce and slow down runoff which threatens a number of properties downstream. Expected delivery of these works is 2018/19.