

**National Park Management Plan outcome:** Mineral Extraction

**The Authority's contribution: Corporate Outcome B:** The adverse impact of mineral working on the special qualities of the National Park and its communities is minimised by

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**Action 1:** *Influencing government policy and legislation (Priority level 1)*

Our target for 2008/09 is to monitor how many new and relevant government and regional policy documents reflect our policies and strategies and for us to have had at least a medium influence.

**During 2007/08 we ....**

- Responded to all key relevant consultations regarding minerals and lobbied Government in relation to the stalled Review of Mining Permissions applications and enforcement problems with aged minerals permissions

**In 2008/09 we will ...**

- Prepare a Minerals Strategy to better articulate our stance for policy documents and lobbying Government. Continue to lobby Government and respond to consultations

**Action 2:** *Ensuring those quarries that remain are worked to the highest modern environmental standards (Priority level 2)*

At the end of 2007/08 76.4% of total quarries were operating to modern environmental standards. Our target for 2008/09 is 85%.

**During 2007/08 we ...**

- Were unable to make progress on the 6 outstanding applications as the Government has not yet concluded its review of 'Stalled Applications'

**In 2008/09 we will ...**

- Progress the 6 outstanding Review of Minerals Permissions, subject to new Government Regulations and requisite information being forthcoming, and aim to determine 2
- Enforce planning requirements, where expedient, in accordance with national, regional and local policies

### **Action 3: Managing the reduction of quarrying in the National Park (Priority level 2)**

At the end of 2007/08 3,420.4 hectares of the Park were being quarried and 7.3 hectares were removed from quarrying due to removal of permission by judicial review. Our targets for 2008/09 are to remove 10 hectares of land from quarrying by Prohibition Orders or negotiation.

#### **During 2007/08 we ...**

- Visited 71% (of the 68 minerals sites subject to monitoring) to check against unlawful quarrying, falling short of our target of 100%
- Took enforcement action or defended previous action on a number of high priority cases including Backdale, Wagers Flat and Smalldale Head. A negotiated agreement was made (yet to be formalised) for the replacement of Lees Cross/Endcliffe Quarries in return for an extension at Dale View
- Organised a range of communications initiatives to provide information to communities about the Authority's work and to support our efforts to lobby Government to support our actions

#### **In 2008/09 we will ...**

- Aim to visit 100% of active mineral sites to check against unlawful quarrying
- Ensure all high priority enforcement cases are the subject of a negotiated settlement or referred to legal services with a view to taking formal action within 6 months of the Authority being made aware of the unauthorised activity
- Continue to pursue the long-term resolution of enforcement action on Longstone Edge and Smalldale Head
- Establish the serving of Prohibition Orders where expedient to extinguish minerals rights on dormant quarries
- Continue to ensure that the public and pressure groups are informed about the Authority's work to reduce quarrying through a range of information channels

**National Park Management Plan outcome:** People and Communities

**The Authority's contribution: Corporate Outcome I:** The Peak District is a living, modern and innovative area with vibrant and cohesive communities by ...

***Action 1:** Using planning and influencing powers to help create more sustainable communities and a better environment (Priority level 2)*

The National Park Management Plan has been adopted for the period 2007-2012 and monitoring systems are being developed to determine the proportion of actions on target and completed, to provide outturns in subsequent years. Consultation on proposed options for future spatial policies under the Local Development Framework will be carried out to meet approved milestones.

### During 2007/08 we ....

- Started the production of, and consultation on, issues and options for the Local Development Framework
- Commissioned and started a Sustainability Appraisal of the proposals for future spatial policies under the Local Development Framework
- Assessed all planning applications in relation to our and national government sustainability policies
- Established an external panel of experts to advise on the development and monitoring of the National Park Management Plan

### In 2008/09 we will ...

- Develop the Local Development Framework spatial policies through a programme of evidence analysis, options assessment and stakeholder consultation
- Input to all key community strategies, especially from Local Strategic Partnerships and Local Area Agreements
- Continue to assess all applications to achieve sustainability objectives
- Produce the first Annual Report to show progress towards the 2011 outcomes of the National Park Management Plan

***Action 2:** Influencing the provision of local services and better access to these for communities (Priority level 2)*

During 2008/09 we will monitor the number, and level, of our actions that influence key accessibility documents.

### During 2007/08 we ...

- Worked with key partners to establish new accessibility partnerships to take forward strategies affecting National Park communities and visitors

### In 2008/09 we will ...

- Contribute to the development of our partners' Accessibility Strategies that cover National Park communities and visitors

**Action 3:** Reviewing the Local Development Framework (LDF) affordable housing policy and encouraging an appropriate level of affordable housing (Priority level 2)

During 2008/09 we will continue to monitor affordable housing development levels against current National Park policies.

### During 2007/08 we ...

- Implemented policies on affordable housing such that 100% of appeals relating to affordable housing were dismissed
- Gave planning permission for 4 affordable housing dwellings

### In 2008/09 we will ...

- Develop proposals for future affordable housing policies as part of the Local Development Framework programme
- Proactively engage with stakeholders to respond to identified local needs and locate suitable sites

### Financial Summary - Development Control

£,000	2006/07	2007/08	2008/09	2009/10
Direct revenue expenditure	231	120	415	305
Depreciation	5	4	4	3
Employee costs	767	813	840	870
Recharged support costs	364	515	427	415
<b>Total Gross Expenditure</b>	<b>1,367</b>	<b>1,452</b>	<b>1,686</b>	<b>1,593</b>
Income: Sales Fees and Charges	(246)	(216)	(210)	(210)
Income: Other external funding	0	0	0	0
<b>Net Expenditure</b>	<b>1,121</b>	<b>1,236</b>	<b>1,476</b>	<b>1,383</b>

### Financial Summary - Forward Planning and Communities

£,000	2006/07	2007/08	2008/09	2009/10
Direct revenue expenditure	274	270	351	370
Depreciation	0	0	0	0
Employee costs	388	359	400	419
Recharged support costs	84	126	112	108
<b>Total Gross Expenditure</b>	<b>746</b>	<b>755</b>	<b>863</b>	<b>897</b>
Income: Sales Fees and Charges	0	(1)	0	0
Income: Other external funding	(285)	(304)	(250)	(255)
<b>Net Expenditure</b>	<b>461</b>	<b>450</b>	<b>613</b>	<b>642</b>

## Development Control, Forward Planning & Communities

NPA COMPARISON					ACHIEVED				TARGET		
2007/08	Top 25%	Range	Ref	Indicator	2005/06	2006/07	2007/08	Target Met	2007/08	2008/09	2009/10
			B1.1	a) Number and b) degree  of influences on new and relevant government and regional mineral policy documents	NEW INDICATOR					n/a	
			B1.2	More indicators to be developed as part of the production of the minerals strategy <sup>1</sup>	NEW INDICATOR					Medium	
			B2.1	Number & percentage of quarries operating to modern environmental standards	NEW INDICATOR		42 76.4%	n/a n/a	- -	46 85%	
			B3.1	Number of quarries and area (ha) of quarrying	NEW INDICATOR		55 3,420.4 ha	n/a n/a	- -	55 3,413.1 ha	
			I1.1	Number & percentage of actions in the National Park Management Plan: a) on target  b) b) complete	NEW INDICATOR					Produce baseline	
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😊	Yes	Yes - Yes	I1.2 (BV 200a)	Does the Authority have a Development plan in place that has been adopted in the last five years and the end date of which has not expired. (Family)	No	Yes	Yes	✓	Yes	Yes	
😞	Yes	No - Yes	I1.3 (BV 200b)	Has the Authority met the milestones which the current Local Development Scheme sets out? (Family)	No	Yes	No	✗	Yes	Yes	
			I2.1	a) Number and b) degree of influences on new & relevant accessibility documents	NEW INDICATOR			n/a n/a	- -	1 Medium	
😐	81%	54 - 88%	BV106	Percentage of new homes built on previously developed land (Family)	42.20%	23.21%	66.67%*	✓	60%	Discontinue nationally	
			BV108	The number of advertised departures from statutory Plan approved by the Authority as a percentage of total permissions granted	0.25%	0.16%	0.25%	✓	<0.50%	Discontinue nationally	

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			BV109	Percentage of planning applications determined in line with the Governments new development control targets to determine: (Family)							
☹	70%	0.00 - 83.33%	(a)	60% of major applications within 13 weeks	33.33%	50.00%	0.00%	✘	60%	60%	60%
☺	83.33%	53 - 87.25%	(b)	65% of minor applications within 8 weeks	59.56%	72.50%	76.60%	✓	65%	65%	65%
☺	85.92%	68.90 - 90%	(c)	80% of all other applications within 8 weeks	67.27%	84.60%	82.30%	✓	80%	80%	80%
			BV111	Percentage of applicants very / fairly satisfied with service received (Family)	n/a	61%	n/a**		Under Review		
☹	22.20%	0.00 - 75%	BV204	The number of planning appeal decisions allowed against the Authority's decision to refuse planning applications, as a percentage of the total number of planning appeals against refusal of planning applications (Family)	35.0%	46.2%	41.7%	✘	<40%	<40%	<40%
☹			BV205	Quality of service checklist (Family)	94.4%	94.4%	94.4%	✘	100%	Discontinue nationally	
			LG20	No. of Mineral Sites with Planning Permission under constant monitoring	65	60	49	✘	60	Superceded by B2.1	
			NH4	Do you have an adopted Management Plan for the National Park (or alterations to it) that has been adopted in the last 5 years?	Yes	No	Yes	✓	Yes	Superceded by I1.1	

### Footnotes:

\* This year's figure for this indicator is relatively high. However with such a small numbers of completions, in comparison with other Local Authority areas, proportions calculated on these totals vary enormously from year to year.

\*\* Survey conducted once every 3 years

### SUPPLEMENTARY NOTES

<sup>1</sup> Relevant indicators for monitoring will be put in place as part of the Minerals Strategy