

Peak District Local Access Forum

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Item: 6

Title: Unsurfaced Highways: first eight management plans

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Purpose of the Report

1. To update Members on progress with the strategy to manage recreational vehicular use of unsurfaced highways and off-road use in the Peak District National Park.
2. To present the management plans for the eight higher priority routes.

Background and Progress

The Local Access Forum has been involved at all stages of the development of the strategy to improved management of recreational motor vehicle use in the National Park.

An update report is annexed to keep members informed of recent developments.

Part of this strategy has been to focus attention on improving the management of the unsurfaced highway network, with the prioritisation of 23 key routes, and the drawing up of management plans for the first eight of these 23 routes. The Forum has played a key role in advising officers on these management plans, with the formation of a sub-group to investigate the priority routes.

This work has progressed in close collaboration between Derbyshire County Council (Highways and Countryside Services), Derbyshire Police, the Forum and the National Park Authority, with contributions from parish councils, landowners and others.

These eight plans are now complete, and are annexed to this report for Members' information.

The actions from these plans will be implemented and monitored and the routes inspected regularly. The plans will be reviewed regularly to ensure they achieve the desired results.

Recommendation

- 1. That the update report be noted**
- 2. That the completion of the first eight management plans is noted.**

Annexes:

- 'Staying on the Right Track' – update report November 2009
- Management Plans for the following routes:

Bradley Lane, Pilsley

Brough Lane

Chapel Gate, Edale

Long Causeway, Stanage

Moorlands Lane, Bonsall

School Lane, Great Hucklow

Shatton Lane

Washgates, Hollinsclough