

Matter 2 - Other legal requirements

Q1: Friends of the Peak District has consistently pressed for the Core Strategy to take a more pro-active approach to mitigation and adaptation for climate change. Neither the sensitivity of the Park to climate change, nor its active role in a changing climate, have been adequately assessed in a way that could usefully inform policies and decisions. It is imperative that this be addressed by the Core Strategy review in due course. In our view the DMP does not actively engage in climate response, but neither does it impede climate response, other than by linkage to the currently lack-lustre position of the Core Strategy. The 'net gain' approach to ecosystem services in the DMP is a step in the right direction, and that should be extended to a much wider range of policies.
