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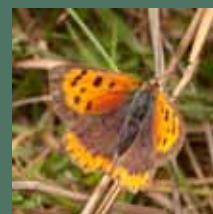
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# Welcome

**On a glorious Peak District morning, a sight sure to thrill is our wonderful dry stone walling.**

Whether of White Peak limestone, as seen in and around villages like Hartington, or of Dark Peak gritstone, as in Edale where I live – they require skill, determination and patience to build as I have learnt, sometimes painfully, when repairing the walls around my garden.

However, dry stone walling is not unique to Britain.

Recently some dignitaries led by the Croatian Ambassador, gathered at Parsley Hay to celebrate the accession to the European Union of Croatia, which shares the tradition of dry stone walling. Here a kazun (a roundhouse) has been built by craftsmen from Istria using Peak District limestone in a style created 200 years ago by Istrian

farm workers. Well worth a look when you next visit that glorious area on the Derbyshire/Staffordshire border.

Other news! Always thinking of ideas to make the National Park accessible to more people in a sustainable way, and I was really pleased to hear of the £5m funding we helped secure for the Pedal Peak Phase 2 project. This money will open up the Peak District to the surrounding cities of Greater Manchester, Sheffield, Stoke on Trent, Derby and Nottingham. Pedal Peak will give road cyclists alternative routes that will help ease traffic congestion, as well as promoting healthy living and bring increased spending to Peak District businesses.



We will keep you updated on the detail, but investing in traffic-free trails is a win, win situation which I hope local residents will welcome.

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## What you say affects what we do

Last autumn we surveyed 4,700 randomly selected households in the national park. 1,365 people responded.

#### You told us:

- peace and tranquillity is important to you (up 23 per cent since 2009).
- landscape and distinctive villages make the national park a special place.
- tourism is beneficial.
- more of you are satisfied with the planning process than before.
- Parklife is the most popular way of finding out about our work.
- 9 out of 10 residents surveyed have the internet at home.
- younger people don't know how to get involved in national park decisions.
- we are getting better at understanding your needs and opinions but there is room for improvement.

#### Since the survey we have:

- improved the planning pages on the website.
- introduced a planning advice service to provide consistent advice from initial enquiry through to final decision.
- attended community meetings to explain the planning process and local decisions.
- developed the Peak District National Park Youth Forum for 16 to 24 year olds.
- used social media more.

The next survey is in 2015.

### Factbox

- 9 out of 10 residents enjoy walking, one in three go cycling.
- 86 per cent of people who had submitted a planning application had permission granted. Only 9 per cent were refused.
- 62 per cent of you regularly volunteer (national average is 23 per cent).

WINNER!



Caroline Edge, from Eyam, won a bicycle in the prize draw for taking part in the residents' survey.

Full survey results at:  
[www.peakdistrict.gov.uk/residentsurvey](http://www.peakdistrict.gov.uk/residentsurvey)



Farmer Neil Richardson and his son

# Not just because of nature that it looks so good

**Neil Richardson looks out over the rolling hills of his 57-hectare Big Fernyford Farm on Reapsmoor with the air of a man who thinks his task will never be done.**

He knows the hard work that goes into this beautiful landscape between Longnor and Warslow – caring for dry stone walls, wildflower-rich hay meadows, pasture and heather moorland.

But the work is worthwhile, for many local livelihoods

depend on the landscape to draw visitors to the Peak District, not least to Neil's own farm holiday accommodation.

"It's not just because of nature that it looks so good," he says. "We spend seven days a week spraying, fencing, fixing gates, repairing walls, looking

after livestock.

"When I came here 25 years ago I planned to rebuild the whole farm – but it's three lifetimes' work, not just one."

Neil rents the farm, where he keeps some 200 prize-winning Swaledale sheep and 20 Belted Galloway cattle, from joint owners the Peak District National Park Authority and Natural England.

The Authority supported his schemes to convert outbuildings into a 4-star holiday cottage

(managed by his partner Dorota) and a processing/packing plant for their high-welfare meat.

They also supported his application for Higher Level Stewardship (HLS) payments that enable environmentally-sensitive farming to protect habitats and landscape features.

Neil's eight-year-old son is already learning what such farming means, assisting his dad in the school holidays. In the summer he helped dry stone

wallers Carl and Alan Westley, of Buxton, as they restored walls that probably date back to the 1800s.

"I get support for walling through the HLS scheme," explains Neil. "Over 18 months we've restored 500 metres of dry stone wall, and we did 1,000 metres before that under the old Environmentally Sensitive Area scheme. It makes a big difference to how the farm looks, and it's restored an historic feature."

The way Neil looks after wildlife, with rushy meadows and scrapes for waders such as snipe and lapwing, has earned the farm a Peak District Environmental Quality Mark.

"I prefer farming this way," he says. "We're two years into a 10-year HLS agreement, and it enables us to farm less intensively – which is a much better way of life."

And better for the landscape too.

## FIND OUT MORE...

Advice and support for farmers and land-managers:  
[www.peakdistrict.gov.uk/farmers](http://www.peakdistrict.gov.uk/farmers) or call 01629 816270

Environmental Quality Mark for farmers and rural businesses:  
[www.eqm.org.uk](http://www.eqm.org.uk) or call 07901 860094

Landscape conservation work with the Peak Park Conservation Volunteers:  
[www.peakdistrict.gov.uk/ppcv](http://www.peakdistrict.gov.uk/ppcv) or call 01433 631433

Big Fernyford Farm: [www.fernyford.co.uk](http://www.fernyford.co.uk) or call 01298 83422

Dry stone wallers Alan and Carl Westley



# £7.5m boost for cycling should help Peak District economy

**A pedal-powered boost for the local economy should be on the way with a £7.5m investment in the Peak District cycling network over the next two years.**

The investment is coming from the Department of Transport (£5m), and a partnership of Derbyshire County Council, the Peak District National Park Authority, Staffordshire County Council and Barnsley and Sheffield councils (£2.5m).

As the national park's cycle-friendly profile rises, the organisations hope that more people will enjoy the trails and boost the local economy.

By 2016, subject to consultation and planning permission, the partnership hopes to create:

- The White Peak Loop, connecting the High Peak and Monsal Trails via links from Matlock to Bakewell and Buxton to Hurdlow.
- The Little Don Cycle-Link, connecting Sheffield to the Trans-Pennine Trail.
- Staffordshire Moorlands Cycle-Link, connecting Stoke-on-Trent to the Roaches and Waterhouses.
- The Hope Valley Link, providing a cycle route (via road corridor) along the Hope Valley from Hathersage to Castleton.

- A new fund to support Peak District towns and villages to develop cycle-friendly infrastructure.

Richard Tarbatt, financial director of a Matlock firm and a board member of Business Peak District, said:

"I'm a keen cyclist and I hope everyone appreciates as much as I do what benefits this will bring to the Peak District and the health of those who get on their bike."

Shops, cafés and holiday businesses have already benefited from the first Peak District Cycling Festival in September, and more visitors will be drawn to L'Eroica vintage cycling festival next June, and the Tour de France Grand Départ coming through the Peak District on July 6.

## Cycling – not just for visitors

Cycling is increasingly popular among Peak District residents who are keen to enjoy the health and financial benefits of pedal-power for work or leisure.

William Alves, of Over Haddon, has enjoyed cycling here for years: "I love the variety of landscapes, the quiet roads – and there's always a good café nearby," he says. "I think it's great

that we've got this funding to improve the cycle network, and that we'll be taking centre stage on major international events.

"I'll definitely be going to watch the Tour de France Grand Départ, either in the Peak District or at the finish in Sheffield – and I hope to get a place to ride in L'Eroica."

*Keen local cyclist William Alves. His cycling jersey, produced by the Authority, is available at [www.amazon.co.uk](http://www.amazon.co.uk) – search for 'Peak District cycle jersey.'*



### USEFUL LINKS

Le Tour de France:

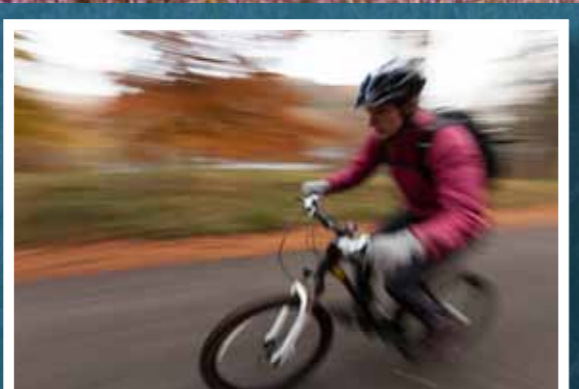
[letour.yorkshire.com](http://letour.yorkshire.com)

Local routes & support:

[www.lovetoride.net/peakdistrict](http://www.lovetoride.net/peakdistrict)

Trails and cycle hire:

[www.peakdistrict.gov.uk/cycle](http://www.peakdistrict.gov.uk/cycle)



# Green growth for Peak District woodlands

Screefing to encourage growth of saplings.



Dane Valley woodlands



**Cheshire's Dane Valley is a green labyrinth of tree-lined, steep-sided tributaries of the River Dane, with evocative names such as Shellbrook, Swallowdale Valley and The Sitch. The woodlands are rich in wildlife with many being recognised as ancient and semi-natural.**

As a lad of 15, Sam Clowes moved there in 1956. He remembers how much harder life used to be, "We made hay by hand back then." He's farmed dairy, beef and sheep and unusually diversified into animal rescue providing a sanctuary for stray dogs.

Trees are important to Sam, who, with grant aid is removing rhododendron from an area of existing woodland and aims to extend this by creating woodland by planting over 4000 native trees and protecting them with 900metres of deer fencing. He said, "I've been interested in trees all my life and feel good about leaving something behind for future generations."

Sam is trying different methods of woodland regeneration including

screefing – patches of soil create a bed for rain to wash seeds onto.

Tree seeds, acorns and rare local species of crab apple and guelder rose are being collected to grow on at a nearby plant nursery, Dreamcatcher Farm.

It is all part of a joint project, led by the National Park Authority, working with 20 different land-owners and communities to regenerate the Dane Valley's ancient woodlands.

For woodland advice in the Dane Valley contact National Park ecologist Rebekah Newman on rebekah.newman@peakdistrict.gov.uk or 01629 816397.



Sam Clowes, Dane Valley woodland owner



At Dreamcatcher Farm, former soldiers plant trees and develop the site to be wildlife friendly

## I have a dream...

Dreamcatcher Farm at Bosley crossroads is a new eco-venture run by the Listening Out Loud (lol) foundation to help former serving soldiers recover from war whilst making, growing and selling local produce.

Biodiversity and the environment is at the heart of their thinking. They have planted a fruit orchard to regenerate old varieties of Cheshire apple trees, created a plant nursery and made space for wildlife. The soldiers' trees, grown from local seed, will be replanted in the Dane Valley.

More information:

[www.lol-foundation.org](http://www.lol-foundation.org)

Bird tables and other wood products are made and sold by former soldiers.



**£500,000 in grants from Forestry Commission, Natural England and SITA Trust is helping landowners create new native woodlands and manage existing woodlands in the Dane Valley.**

**Factbox**

# Riding high

New long distance route for riders, cyclists and walkers

**Horse-riding is increasingly popular in the national park, with an estimated 8,000 horse-riders in Derbyshire alone. Some of the Peak District riding clubs and bridleway groups have memberships into the hundreds.**

Most horse-owners want to go leisure riding away from tarmac and traffic, but the network of routes available to horse-riders tends to be fragmented and patchy.

So one local group, Peak Horsepower, has developed the Kinder Loop, a new 55-mile route that encircles the rugged beauty of the area's highest plateau, Kinder Scout.

Users can pick up leaflets from national park visitor centres or download (from [www.peakhorsepower.co.uk](http://www.peakhorsepower.co.uk)).

[peakhorsepower.co.uk](http://peakhorsepower.co.uk)) maps, route descriptions and information on support services such as vets, farriers and accommodation.

The waymarked route is aimed not only at horse-riders but mountain bikers and walkers too.

## Factbox

- Members of local horse-riding groups take part in working parties to help repair routes
- About 90 per cent of UK horse-riders are female according to the Equestrian Access Forum.

that they will remember forever.

"As increasing road traffic restricts access to safe riding, it's important that we develop routes that allow our sport to continue. We hope the Kinder Loop will also be enjoyed by cyclists and walkers, and that it adds to the area's economic and recreational wellbeing."

Peak District National Park rights of way officer Sue Smith, who gave advice and support for the Kinder Loop, said: "It's fantastic to give people more opportunity for the quiet enjoyment of the beautiful place that is the national park."

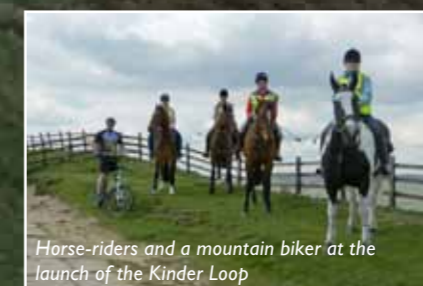
The Kinder Loop was supported financially by Hoof legacy funding from Sport England, the British Horse Society and the British Equine Federation.

Peak Horsepower's next objective is to create a gentler circular route in the White Peak.

Peak Horsepower was set up only three years ago and now has more than 200 members.

Its chair Wendy Neilson explained: "We wanted to raise the profile of horse-riding in the national park and seek improvements to bridleways and by-ways to make them safe and accessible to horse riders."

"The Kinder Loop is our first long-distance circular route – it is rugged and strenuous, but also challenging and rewarding, and we hope it will provide people with a wonderful experience of the Peak District



Horse-riders and a mountain biker at the launch of the Kinder Loop



Wendy Neilson, chair of Peak Horsepower

More information from  
[www.peakhorsepower.co.uk](http://www.peakhorsepower.co.uk) and  
[www.peakdistrict.gov.uk/horse-riding](http://www.peakdistrict.gov.uk/horse-riding)

*Pictured: Linda Granger at Bradwell Brook where local people help look after habitats and wildlife.*

# Planning for your community

The Localism Act means that local communities have more opportunities than ever before to be involved in planning where they live or work. Neighbourhood plans are one way people can influence development in their area.

The village of Bradwell is famous for:

- Roman remains at Grey Ditch and Bagshawe Cavern
- hats called the 'Bradda Beaver'
- birthplace of Samuel Fox, inventor of the steel-ribbed umbrella

## Factbox

The process allows parish councils to look at opportunities for growth within villages and think about possible sites for developments, subject to national park planning policies. Neighbourhood plans become part of the Peak District National Park's statutory development plan which influences planning decisions.

Several communities, including Bakewell, Dore and Hartington, are working towards neighbourhood

plans, but Bradwell is the frontrunner. Known as Bradda to its 1,416 residents in the Hope Valley, Bradwell is possibly the most industrialised parish in the national park with nearly 100 businesses and a number of quarries (including 90 per cent of Hope Construction Materials quarry).

Linda Granger, second generation Bradda-ite and a retired RAF and civil aviation worker, is a parish councillor there. She says: "It's about developing a shared vision for

More information:

<http://www.peakdistrict.gov.uk/neighbourhood-planning>  
Contact Adele Metcalfe, village and communities officer,  
01629 816375, [adele.metcalfe@peakdistrict.gov.uk](mailto:adele.metcalfe@peakdistrict.gov.uk)



Bradwell

our neighbourhood, we can choose where new development such as affordable homes should be built, we can identify and protect green spaces, we can influence what new buildings should look like."

The new neighbourhood plan builds on the vision Bradwell residents identified in

their 2012 parish plan.

It is no small task for community volunteers to create a neighbourhood plan, including training time, project-planning, applying for grants, organising surveys and public consultation, but national park staff can advise on the process, and as Linda points out, "This

is a fantastic opportunity for us to influence the future of our village and say what we would like to see happen. It's open for anyone who lives or works in Bradwell to get involved, so it's no use complaining about future changes if you've not taken part!" [www.bradda.org](http://www.bradda.org)

## Planning changes

The national planning system has changed recently. Many changes apply in the national park, so if you are considering carrying out development you may need to be aware of them.

The main changes allow for the change of use of offices

to houses/flats (relaxation available up to May 2016) and of agricultural buildings to a range of uses such as offices, shops and cafes. These are subject to a prior approval process, depending on building size.

The relaxations may not

apply if your property has a restrictive condition on it, please contact us for advice.

Pre-planning advice service:

01629 816200

[customer.service@peakdistrict.gov.uk](mailto:customer.service@peakdistrict.gov.uk)

Small copper butterfly on Hassop Common

# Birds, bees, flowers and trees

– new life restored to Hassop Common

More information:  
[www.peakdistrict.gov.uk/biodiversity](http://www.peakdistrict.gov.uk/biodiversity)

**Henry Stephenson thinks of the past and future as he looks out over Hassop Common, a habitat of national significance set among archaeologically important old mineral workings on Longstone Edge near Bakewell.**

“This land was bought by my grandfather in 1920,” said Henry, who was born in Great Longstone and inherited Hassop Hall and its extensive estate. He later sold the hall but kept the land, part of which is Hassop Common.

Originally worked for lead, then fluorspar until the 1970s, Hassop Common has since been used for agriculture. “But,” said Henry, “the rare plants and wildlife that flourish on old mineral sites were being overtaken by coarse grasses and scrub. We wanted to restore its special qualities.”

So Henry and tenant farmer James Blackshaw are now working with experts from the Peak District National Park Authority, supported by Natural England and the Forestry Commission, to re-create this important wildlife habitat.

People who use the footpaths and byway across the 23-hectare site may already have noticed a difference in the variety of species they come across.

National Park ecologist Rebekah Newman, who co-ordinates the scheme, said:

“Plants such as spring sandwort (known in Derbyshire as leadwort) flourish on these metallic soils that other plants find toxic, and there are extensive areas dominated by lichens.

“The habitat also supports small mammals, lizards and slow-worms, nationally threatened woodland birds such as tree pipit, and a range of invertebrates including dingy skipper and dark green fritillary butterflies and the slender-footed robberfly, which is very localised in Derbyshire with

a marked preference for lead mining sites.”

Fencing has been put in so that from next year a small herd of traditional-breed cattle will be introduced to help control the scrub, eating the coarse grasses and allowing the wild flowers to flourish.

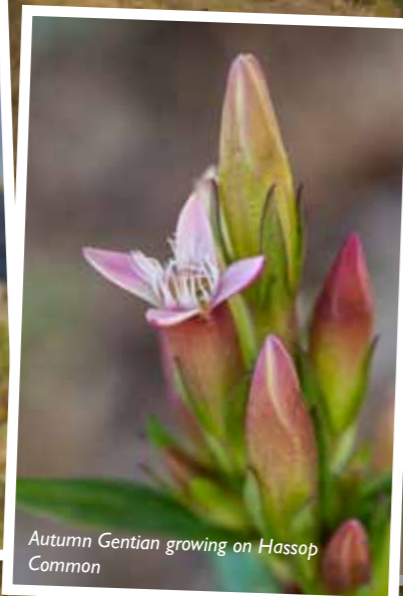
The scheme also includes the natural regeneration of woodland (10 hectares) – mainly ash, rose and hawthorn – typical of White Peak dale-sides, with additional small areas of planting.

Stoney Middleton schoolchildren, guided by a National Park ranger, have planted hazel trees to add diversity, and germinated buckthorn seeds collected from the nearby Site of Special Scientific Interest (SSSI) in Coombsdale. The aim is to plant them into the wood next year.

“I’m glad the children are playing a part in this,” said Henry. “We’re doing it for future generations to enjoy.”



Henry Stephenson on Hassop Common



Autumn Gentian growing on Hassop Common



Bee on Field Scabious

# Protecting the special qualities of green lanes

**Curlews calling, fresh air, uninterrupted moorland, a sense of wildness – these provide an escape from the pressures of modern living and an opportunity to experience tranquility.**

It is exactly what Authority Members want to conserve along the Roych green lane by introducing the new Traffic Regulation Order (TRO) permanently banning the use of recreational 4x4s and trail bikes.

The 3.5km route, near Chapel-en-le-Frith, forms part of the Pennine Bridleway used by horse riders, cyclists and walkers.

It is very popular, and heavily used leading to conflict between users, repaired

sections were being damaged, attempts to restrict use by 4x4s and trail bikes had failed.

In the public consultation over 1235 individuals and organisations supported the proposed TRO and more than 1000 objected.

In light of this and the evidence, Authority Members used the powers Parliament gave them to make a TRO to protect the natural beauty and amenity of the Roych and surrounding

landscape which will come into effect in November

[www.peakdistrict.gov.uk/tros](http://www.peakdistrict.gov.uk/tros)

The decision was not taken lightly but the Roych crosses some of the national park's most environmentally-sensitive landscape.

TROs are one of the options available to manage green lanes. The Authority seeks to work with partner organisations and recreational user groups on the most sensitive routes in order to protect the national park.

To receive our rights of way team's e-newsletter email: [media@peakdistrict.gov.uk](mailto:media@peakdistrict.gov.uk)



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[www.peakdistrict.gov.uk/priorityroutes](http://www.peakdistrict.gov.uk/priorityroutes)  
[www.peakdistrict.gov.uk/troconsultations](http://www.peakdistrict.gov.uk/troconsultations)

The Roych, near Chapel-en-le-Frith

# Update on ash tree dieback disease

More information from  
[www.peakdistrict.gov.uk/ash-dieback](http://www.peakdistrict.gov.uk/ash-dieback)

**The White Peak without ash trees is hard to imagine. Think Dovedale, the Hamps and Manifold Valleys and Lathkill Dale, some of Europe's most important ash-dominated landscapes and the best examples of ravine woodland habitat in the UK.**

With more than 8 million ash trees in our steep-sided limestone dales, landowners and nature lovers are united in hoping Peak District trees remain *Chalara fraxinea* free.

Last year we checked young trees and new plantings for the disease but we all need to be vigilant. At the time of going to print cases of the disease had been reported in the National Forest in Derbyshire but outside

the national park.

You can help by reporting signs of ash tree disease to the Forestry Commission on 08459 33 55 77 or [plant.health@forestry.gsi.gov.uk](mailto:plant.health@forestry.gsi.gov.uk)

What to look for:

- make sure it is an ash tree not a mountain ash. Ash trees have black buds shaped like a bishop's hat.
- pay special attention to

younger trees up to 6m tall because it is much easier to spot the symptoms on them

- blackening of leaves extending into the leaf veins and leaf stalks
- black shrivelled burnt-looking leaves hanging from the twigs
- black diamond-shaped discoloured wound around the side shoots
- purple-brown discolouration on twigs like bruising
- diseased twigs take on the colour and look of bamboo
- check the symptoms on the Forestry Commission website [www.forestry.gov.uk/chalara](http://www.forestry.gov.uk/chalara)

- The Peak District has one-fifth (900 hectares) of the UK's ravine woodland in seven dales.
- Many local placenames include 'ash' – Ashbourne, Ashford, Ashwood Dale, Monyash, One Ash...
- Rare species of lichen grow on ash trees.
- Ash trees are home to butterflies, moths and other insects.
- Birds and bats roost or feed in and around ash trees.

Factbox



Mature ash trees

Factbox

- 2,183 10-14 year olds and 3,460 15-24 year olds live in the national park.
- The Peak District Youth Forum is the first of its kind in the UK.
- What will you be doing in 2043?

## Speaking up for young people

Young people may be interested in this Science in the Park event:

**The Peak District Youth Forum is a new group of 13 to 25 year olds who want their voices heard on national park issues.**

Youngsters from Derbyshire, Oldham, Tameside and Sheffield, are helping get things going.

Martyn Bonham (16), studying A levels in Marple, said: "In 30 years' time our generation will be running the country. We want our ideas heard because as we grow older and get jobs and homes of our own, we will be living with the results of decisions made now."

Bethan Wilks (17) (pictured), a national park volunteer, Castleton shop assistant and A level student, said: "We need national parks to escape to, to go sit in a field and watch the

clouds or have a picnic in a woodland – there's so much to deal with changing from a child to an adult and doing exams – being part of the Peak District Youth Forum means we are more likely to be listened to.

"We bring a fresh take on things and new ideas. It's part of our daily routine to use Twitter, Facebook and Snapchat so we can get people our age talking about the national park."

The Peak District Youth Forum is supported by the National Park Authority's Learning and Development Team.



**More information...**

Phone 01433 622015 or email [learning.discovery@peakdistrict.gov.uk](mailto:learning.discovery@peakdistrict.gov.uk)

[www.peakdistrict.gov.uk/learning-about](http://www.peakdistrict.gov.uk/learning-about)

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## News in Brief



### Stanage update

The Peak District National Park Authority is to retain the ownership and management of the popular climbing, walking and wildlife area of Stanage Edge and the surrounding North Lees estate.

The Authority's audit, resources and performance committee voted unanimously to keep the 545-hectare estate above Hathersage, and to drive forward a business plan to make it break even financially by September 2014.

The Authority has been reviewing all its properties in the light of Government cuts of more than 30 per cent in its budget between 2011-2015, and has previously leased its Eastern Moors estate to a partnership of the National Trust and RSPB and the Roaches to the Staffordshire Wildlife Trust.

### Vehicle ban for Long Causeway

At the time of going to press, the Authority's audit, resources and performance committee decided to permanently prevent motor vehicles from using Long Causeway at Stanage to conserve nature and the quiet enjoyment of the wild landscape. During a public consultation last year the Authority received 1127 objections to the proposed TRO and 1327 responses supporting a vehicle ban. Long Causeway is currently subject to a temporary restriction, by Derbyshire County Council, on vehicles (over 1.5m width) until March 2015, or until their planned repairs are completed. The Authority's permanent Traffic Regulation Order (TRO) will take this into account.

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### Ranger walks & cycle hire

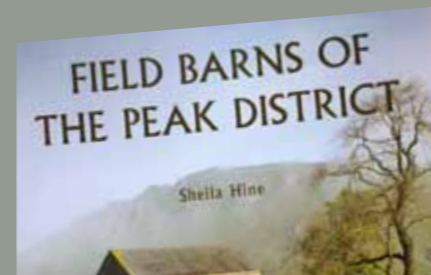
Discover the natural beauty autumn and winter bring to the Peak District on a free, guided walk or cycle ride with a national park ranger.

 /rangerwalks  @peakcyclehire

or find out more on [www.peakdistrict.gov.uk/rangerwalks](http://www.peakdistrict.gov.uk/rangerwalks)

# Books

## that explore Peak District past and present



### Field Barns of the Peak District

by Sheila Hine

Staffordshire farmer Sheila Hine set out to record beautiful images of field barns along with memories of people who used them for cattle, sheep or hay before farming changed and they fell into disuse.

"I wanted to capture them before they are lost back to nature or recycled," said Sheila. The Authority's cultural heritage manager Ken Smith said: "I hope Sheila's book inspires people to look at ways these traditional features of the landscape could be utilised once more."

Available in visitor centres or Churnet Valley Books ([www.leekbooks.co.uk](http://www.leekbooks.co.uk) or 01538 399033) at £16.95.



### Delving Ever Deeper: the Ecton Mines through Time

by John Barnatt

National Park senior survey archaeologist John Barnatt used his skills deep underground to explore one of the most significant copper mining sites in Europe.

John's book charts the workings on Ecton Hill in Staffordshire's Manifold Valley, where production reached its height in the late 1700s, earning the 5th Duke of Devonshire a fortune.

Deep Ecton Mine was then one of the most advanced and deepest in the country: "Visitors spoke of descending into hell, climbing down in semi-darkness with loud blasts going on around them," said John. The work, commissioned by English Heritage and the National Park Authority, will be used to assist Ecton Mines' conservation.

Available from Peak District Mining Museum  
([mail@peakmines.co.uk](mailto:mail@peakmines.co.uk) or 01629 583834) at £21 (p&p £5.60).



### Adventurers in the Lead Trade

by James Rieuwerts

Author James Rieuwerts has been researching Peak District mining history for more than 60 years and is a co-founder of the Peak District Mines Historical Society.

This limited edition, luxury-bound book was commissioned by the Davie-Thornhill Estate of Stanton-in-Peak to explore the Thornhill family's involvement in lead-mining in the 17th-20th centuries.

Exploring rarely-opened archives, the finished work includes original maps, charts and illustrations plus new photographs by Phil Wolstenholme and Paul Deakin. It was designed and published by Peter Miles at Hucklow Publishing.

Available from Dr Rieuwerts on 0114 237 6988 or [www.moorebooks.co.uk](http://www.moorebooks.co.uk) 01952 405105 at £25 (p&p £3.50).



### A River in Time

by Christine Gregory

Peak District author and photographer Christine Gregory celebrates the history and wildlife of the River Bradford. A limestone river rich in wildlife just four miles long, it has shaped the communities of Middleton, Youlgrove and Alport for centuries.

The book was commissioned by the Bradford River Action Group and supported by the National Park Authority's Sustainable Development Fund.

Available for in local bookshops, visitor centres and at [www.grafikashop.com](http://www.grafikashop.com) at £15.99

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Land over 300 metres	A Road	Trail	Cycle Hire	Woodland
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