

Parish Forum Meeting Thursday 21 September 2017

Welcome by Neil Heseltine

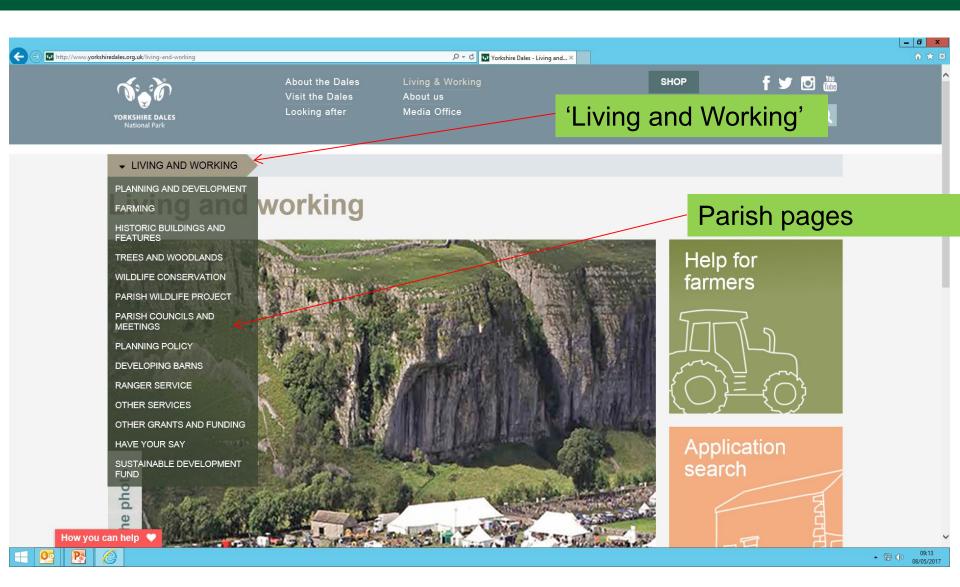


We have created a page on our website specifically for parish councils <u>yorkshiredales.org.uk/living-and-working/parish-councils-and-meetings.</u>

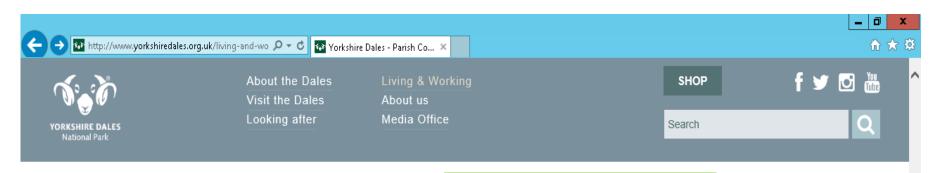
The page includes:

- notes of the Parish Forum meetings, copies of the presentations, and details of forthcoming meetings.
- quarterly 'briefing note' with latest news
- links to some of the most relevant parts of the website including the planning section, and the Management Plan.









Quarterly Updates

A regular update on topical issues and current news that we hope will be of interest to local communities. Please click on the link(s) below to read more ...

February 2017

Parish Forums

We have regular Parish Forum meetings for all parishes wholly or partially within the National Park, with the parishes divided into 3 areas. One Forum is for the parishes in the north of the National Park, one for the parishes in the south and one for the parishes in the west. The Forums encourage a two-way discussion about any and all National Park issues relevant to parish councils. Two meetings of each Forum per year are currently being held, in the spring and autumn. Meetings are chaired by the four parish-appointed Members of the Authority, and agendas are agreed in advance to include items requested by the parish councils. Dates of future meetings and agenda items will be made available on this page; the next round of Forum meetings will take place on:

Northern Forum Wednesday 26th April, 7pm, Sycamore Hall, Bainbridge

Southern Forum Wednesday 19th April, 7pm, Games Room, Devonshire Institute, Grassir How you can help

Quarterly updates





Parish Wildlife

Meeting Agendas







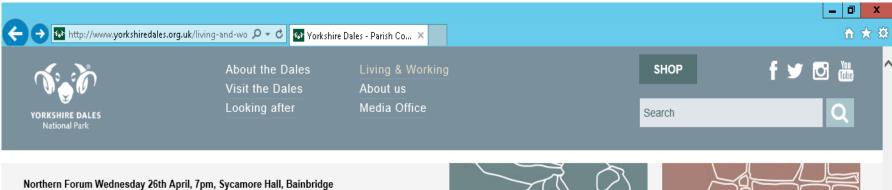












Southern Forum Wednesday 19th April, 7pm, Games Room, Devonshire Institute, Grassington

Western Forum Monday 8th May, 7pm, Orton Market Hall

Notes from previous meetings, including some of the facts, figures and general information from presentations, can be found on the **Parish Forum Archive** page.

Our Parish Appointed Members

The membership of the Yorkshire Dales National Park Authority is set out in legislation (Environment Act 1995). Of the 25 members, four are appointed by the Secretary of State to represent the parishes in the National Park. Those parish members are:

- · Chris Clark
- Allen Kirkbride
- · Ian McPherson
- · Neil Heseltine

If you are interested in becoming a 'Parish Member' you can find out more by visiting our 'How to How you can help V





Notes of meetings and presentations













Parish Initiative: Upper Wharfedale Community Bus

Chris Clark



Consultation on issues for the new Management Plan 2018-2023

Gary Smith

Three open ended questions were posed by the Steering Group during May and June 2017:

- What do you love about the National Park?
- 2. How do you think the National Park could be improved?
- 3. What do you think are the three most important issues for the National Park Management Plan to tackle over the next five years?
- 623 replies
- 57% residents; 43% visitors

Most frequent issues raised during consultation

Access

- Improved Access for all abilities,
- Legal access to caves (similar to climbing through CROW act)
- Improved public transport into the Park

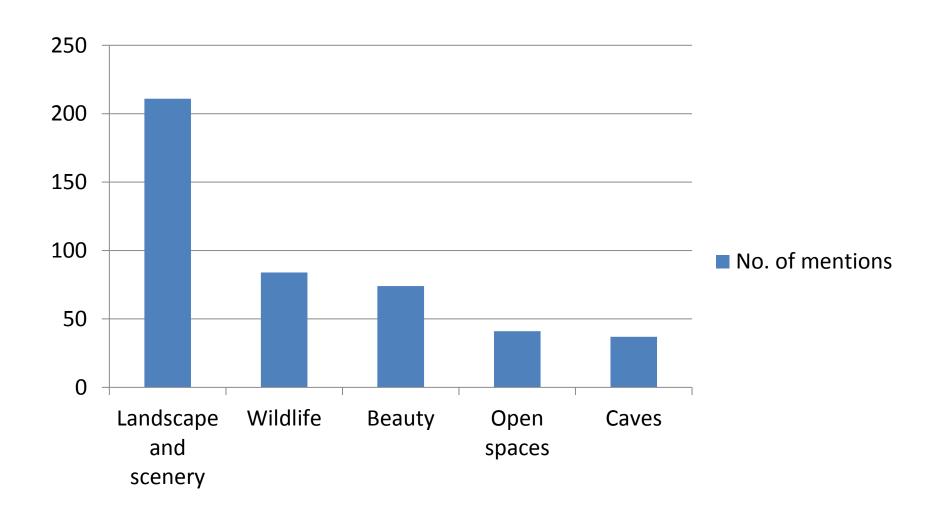
Community sustainability

- more affordable housing, especially for the young,
- safeguarding of services (schools, health etc)
- more jobs

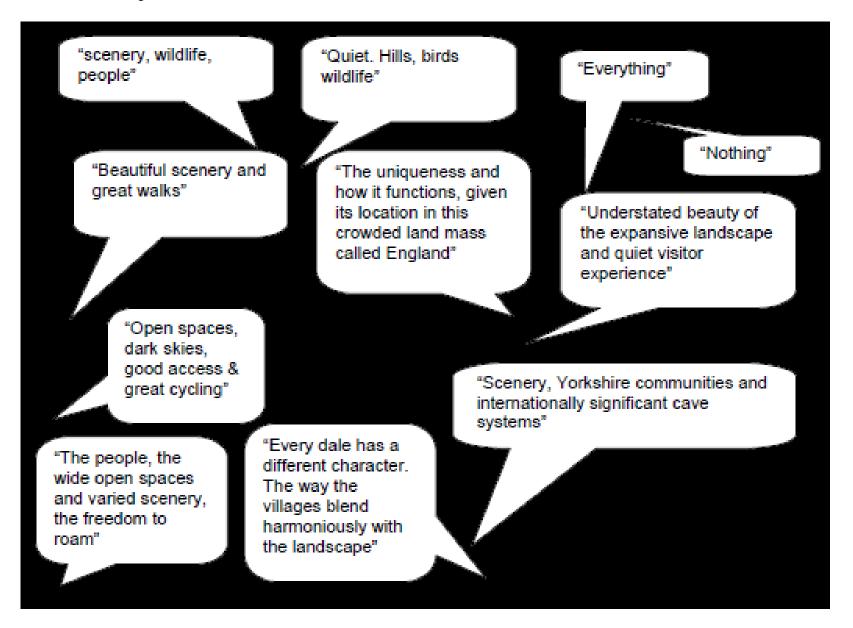
Wildlife

- Improved biodiversity (eg. upland management and farming practices)
- persecution of birds of prey (an issue raised strongly, particularly by visitors)

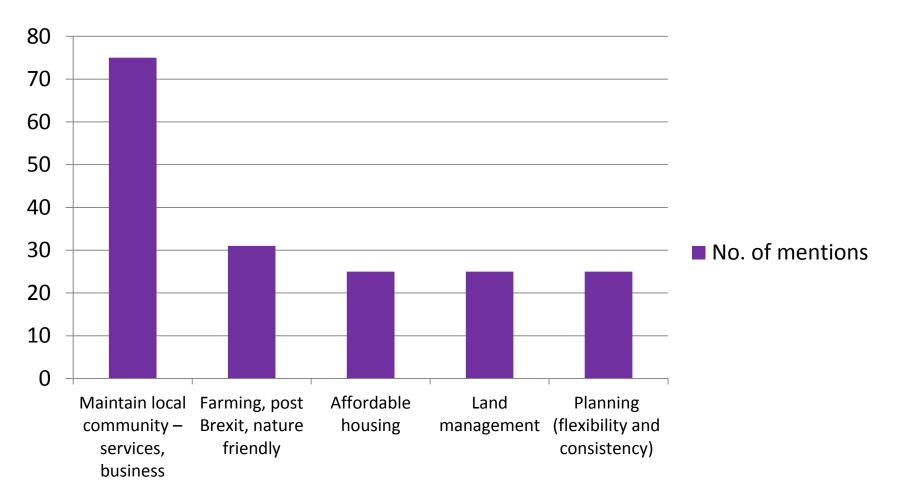
Top five 'loves' all respondents



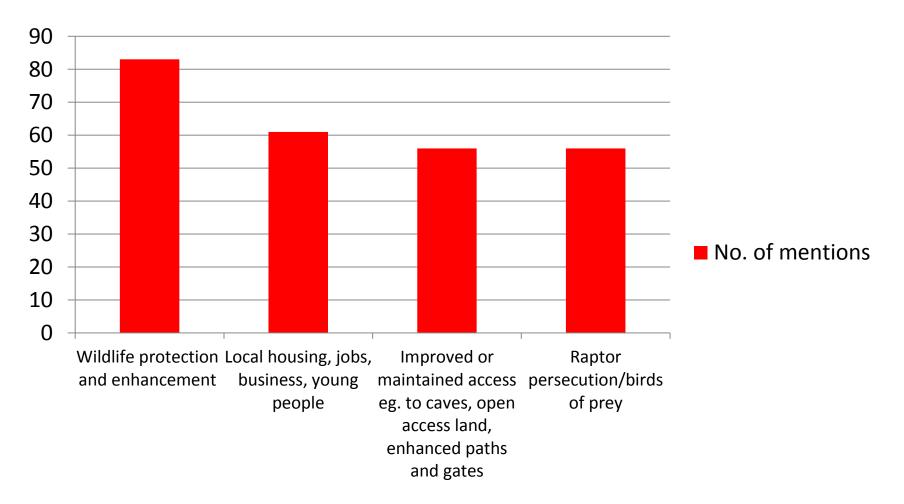
What do you love about the National Park?



What do **residents** think are the most important issues for the National Park Management Plan to tackle over the next five years?



What do **visitors** think are the most important issues for the National Park Management Plan to tackle over the next five years?



How do you think the National Park could be improved?



Next steps

September	Drafting groups start working on objectives
November	Drafting groups submit initial proposals for objectives Annual Forum - workshop on draft objectives
December	Drafting groups submit proposals for objectives
January	Prepare SEA, SA, HRA and EIA
February	NPMP Steering Group meeting (to finalise draft NPMP) 8 weeks consultation on draft NPMP starts
April	8 weeks consultation on draft NPMP ends
May	NPMP Steering Group meeting (to finalise the NPMP)
June	Final NPMP presented at Authority meeting
July	NPMP Launch

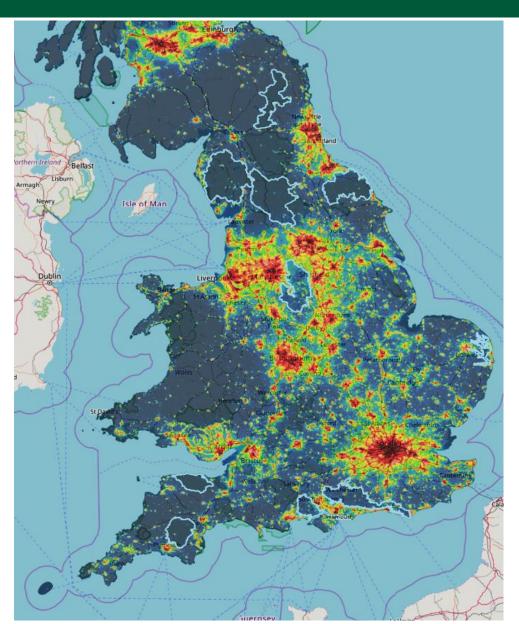


Protecting and celebrating the dark skies of the National Park

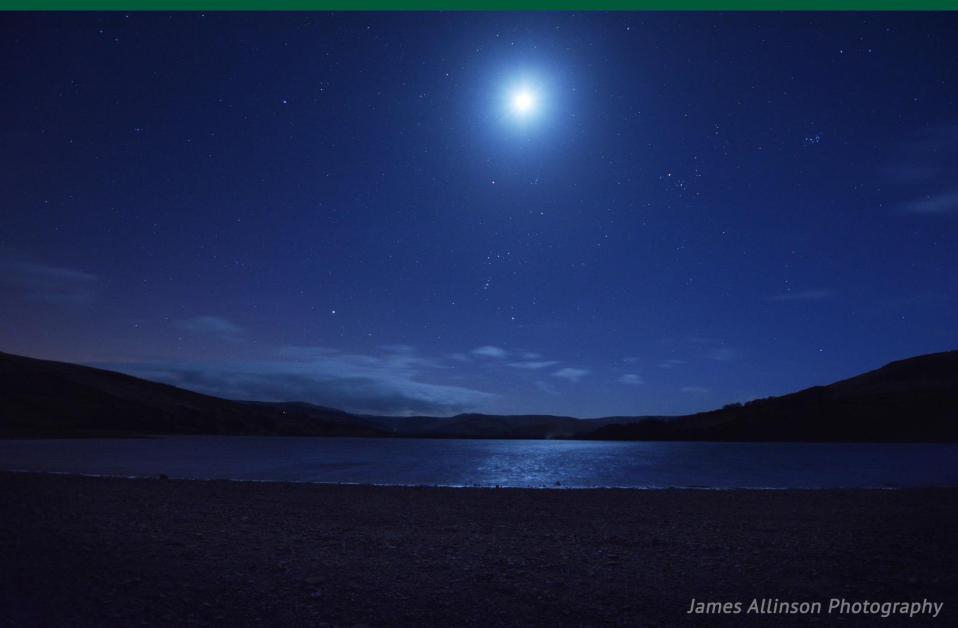
Kathryn Beardmore

Light Pollution Map













A Dark Skies Reserve

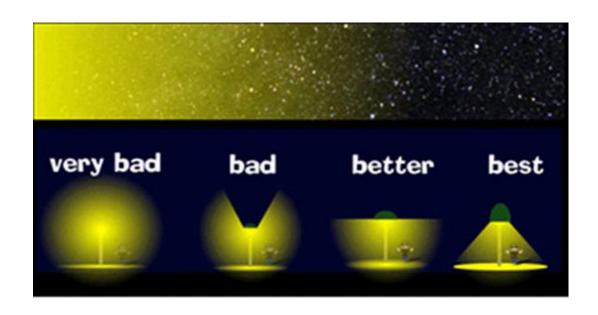


Why do this?

- To gain recognition for the work that is already happening
- To work with local people on measuring and enjoying our night skies
- To boost tourism at a quiet time of year
- To clarify our guidance on exterior lighting



What would becoming a Reserve mean? It is not about turning off street lighting, but it will look to improve lighting over time









Questions



Any other Business