



Biomass Development in the Nidderdale Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty and the Yorkshire Dales National Park

Yorwoods, (a partnership based organisation that works with all parts of the forest industry to improve the sectors contribution towards sustainable rural development in the Yorkshire & the Humber Region) are running a biomass development project in the Nidderdale AONB and the Yorkshire Dales National Park area, with the support of the Yorkshire Dales National Park and Nidderdale AONB SDF and The Forestry Commission England. The project commenced in January 2007.

The primary aim of the project is to develop biomass as a renewable energy source amongst rural communities and that provides market opportunities for local woodlands. This will generate a wide range of benefits in terms of improved biodiversity, landscape and access within sustainably managed woodlands in the Dales as well as a number of jobs throughout the supply chain and reduced carbon emissions in the region.

The project has already started to lead on a number of small and medium size wood heating schemes in Nidderdale and we have engaged with community groups in the National Park. Contact Will Richardson at Yorwoods, Unit 9, Sycamore Business Park, Ripon, North Yorkshire HG4 5DF Tel: 01765 609355, Fax: 01765 607616, E-mail: andrew@yorwoods.org.uk

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