

BLANKET & RAISED BOG HABITAT ACTION PLAN

AIM

- To maintain and where necessary, enhance or restore, the biodiversity value of blanket and raised bog habitats within the Yorkshire Dales National Park

OBJECTIVES

To achieve this aim we need to:

- determine the current biodiversity value of blanket and raised bogs in the Yorkshire Dales National Park;
- promote the conservation management of blanket and raised bog habitats, and;
- restore blanket bog and raised bogs degraded by moorland drainage.

ACTIONS & TARGETS

To achieve these objectives the following actions should be carried out and the targets achieved within the time-scale given:

Actions	Target date	3 year cost £
Devise and implement a survey and monitoring programme to determine the current biodiversity value of blanket and raised bogs in the Yorkshire Dales National Park.	2005	15,000
Ensure that at least 90 % (31664 ha) of blanket and raised bog is in appropriate management through advice and management grant schemes. This will be achieved by reducing stocking rates where necessary, avoid burning and continue to block moorland grips.	2010	55,000

WHO WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE ACTION PLAN?

Lead Agency	Key Partners
English Nature	MAFF / FRCA Yorkshire Dales National Park Authority Landowners & Managers Forestry Commission Wildlife Charities Local Volunteers

