

HEDGEROWS HABITAT ACTION PLAN

AIM

- To maintain the current extent and biodiversity value of hedgerows in the Yorkshire Dales National Park.

OBJECTIVES

To achieve this aim we need to:

- determine the current extent and biodiversity value of hedgerows in the Yorkshire Dales National Park;
- protect existing hedgerows from damage, and;
- bring neglected hedgerows into appropriate management.

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 hedgerows in the Yorkshire Dales National Park.	2005	5,000
Protect existing hedgerows from damage and destruction through the planning system.	ongoing	0
Enforce existing hedgerow protection, where necessary.	ongoing	3,000
Use existing measure such as the Hedgerow Scheme to support the appropriate management of hedgerows.	2010	3,000
Extend hedgerows, where possible, to increase cover and connect isolated fragments of hedge and woodland.	2010	3,000

WHO WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE ACTION PLAN?

Lead Agency	Key Partners
Yorkshire Dales National Park Authority	MAFF / FRCA Landowners & Managers Local Volunteers

