

Date: 28 September 2021**Report: CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPORT**

1. ENGAGEMENTS

Since the last meeting of the Authority, the Chief Executive has been involved in the following:-

Media

- Promotion of the Loving Earth project exhibition held at the Bainbridge Meeting House in July.
- Future Talks SDF project – interviewed at Aysgarth Falls as part of an educational film to teach children what a National Park is, why we have National Parks and why they are so important.

Events

- Webinar hosted by Europarc Atlantic Isles on a post COVID-19 Era – the Future debate.
- A Senior Management Team 'Away Day' in the South West of the Park.

Meetings

- A series of meetings of the Defra Contact Group looking at the implementation of the Landscape Review.
- Local Government North Yorkshire & York meeting which considered: Appointment of Chair to serve for 2021/22; Appointment of two Vice-Chairs to serve for 2021/22; LEP Update; and Nominations to Outside Bodies for 2021/22.
- On behalf of National Parks England (NPE) a Sustrans' a parliamentary roundtable discussion on tourism and the role of the National Cycle Network.
- Liaison meeting with Friends of the Dales to discuss matters of mutual interest
- Two meetings of NPE Task & Finish Group on Governance.
- An English National Park Officers group which discussed Governance; Regenerative tourism approach, Spending Review and Post-Covid Working.
- A meeting with the CEO of YHA to discuss matters of mutual interest.
- A meeting with NPE staff to discuss likely future priorities and decision making at NPE.
- A meeting with the author to discuss progress on the Corporate History of the National Park.
- A meeting of the Farming and Land Management Policy Group.
- Weekly catch up meetings of the English NPA CEOs.

- Chaired a Europarc Atlantic Isles Board meeting.
- NPE Chairs meeting to discuss the Landscape Review and Defra relationships.
- Along with Senior Officers a meeting with the Investors in People (IIP) Practitioner on assessment planning for the forthcoming review.
- Cumbria County Council's Strategic Recovery Coordinating Group (SRCG) Covid-19 (agenda unknown at the time of preparing this report)
- Chief Executives' Group - North Yorkshire and York with the following agenda items: – Covid-19 recovery: Communities workstream update; Economy update and plan for growth; Devolution asks review; Moving unitary transition forward; and Report of the York, North Yorkshire, East Riding and Hull (YNYERH) Directors of Development Group
- Along with colleagues, an introductory meeting with YHA's Executive Director of Strategy, Engagement and Commercial to discuss the 'Generation Green' project and its future.
- An E-NPOG Meeting (agenda unknown at the time of preparing this report)
- National Parks Partnerships meeting with all CEOs (agenda unknown at the time of preparing this report)

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Background documents: None

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