

25 March 2025

Report of the Chair

Engagements

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

Events

- Visit to the Pennine Way 60th Anniversary exhibition at Dales Countryside Museum.

Meetings

- Briefing from the Director of Park Services as part of my own induction as Chair of NPA
- An on-site meeting with Director of Park Services to review the National Trails Pennine Bridleway crossing at Long Preston.
- Representing YDNPA at the Festival of Lessons and Carol Service held at Ripon Cathedral.
- Along with Deputy Chair, an induction meeting with the two co-opted Young Members for Finance and Resources Committee.
- An informal meeting with the Chair of Friends of the Dales.
- An on-line NPE Board Meeting which discussed: NPE Q3 Financial Report; Budget scenarios for 2025/26; and practical arrangements for NPE Board meetings.
- Along with the CEO and colleagues from the NYMNPA, a meeting with the Leader and CEO of North Yorkshire Council to discuss shared services, including budget position, Local Plans and new Planning Policy; and joint working.
- Chaired an NPE panel to judge nominations for the inaugural 'Paul Hamblin Memorial Award' which is to recognise an outstanding NPA officer or volunteer who has made contributions beyond their own NPA but behind the scenes and who may otherwise not receive wider recognition
- An induction meeting with new Board member, Dr Michael Hanley.
- Ripon Cathedral Consultative Council.
- Ripon Cathedral Rural Forum addressed by: Chief Constable for North Yorkshire Police on the issues of Rural Crime. The York & North Yorkshire Deputy Mayor for

Policing, Fire and Crime. The Managing Partner of Boston Spa and, the Harrogate agency of the NFU Mutual.

- Carried out the Chief Executive's appraisal

Derek Twine
Chair