

DRAFT AONB MANAGEMENT PLAN 2018-2023

Summary: To update on the progress with the Cotswolds AONB Management Plan

Recommendation: That progress to date be noted.

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Background

1. Following the first round of consultation comments were incorporated as appropriate to formulate a draft Second Draft for wider consultation. At the 7th December 2017 Board Meeting a revised timeline was agreed.
2. The Second Draft was discussed at the Executive meeting on 25th January 2018 where some amendments were proposed. Consideration was also given to the implications of the Governments recent 25 Year Environment Plan as well as feedback from the Living and Working sub-committee on 22nd January.
3. The Executive agreed that, subject to amendments as discussed being incorporated, the Chair and Director would have final sign off for consultation.
4. The Second Draft has now gone out to consultation. The consultation period expires on 29th March 2018. The Plan is available on the AONB website. Consultees have been sent a link to the website as well as a PDF of the plan.
5. Consultees have been sent an email from managementplan@cotswolds.gov.uk. **All** responses should be sent to this email address only.
6. As part of the process of reviewing the plan Cragatack Consultants have undertaken a scoping exercise. The Scoping Report has been sent to the statutory environmental bodies and all local authorities within the AONB.
7. It should be noted that the Second Draft remains in a text only version. Design and presentation will be addressed once the text has been agreed.
8. The aim would be for the Board to adopt the final Plan at its 28th June 2018 meeting.

Supporting Papers