

WELLBEING AND INCLUSION

Summary: To review the progress of the Wellbeing and Inclusion Working Group, and associated activity

Recommendation: That the Executive Committee notes the report

Report by:

James Webb, Partnerships and Fundraising Lead

Becky Jones, Access and Volunteer Lead

BOARD MEMBERS REPRESENTED ON THE GROUP

- Katherine Chesson (KC) – Chair
- Nigel Adcock (NA)
- Amanda Davis (AD)
- Martin Mitchell (MM)
- Ben Stokes (BS)
- Margaret Reid (MR)

RECORD OF MEETINGS

- Working Group meetings this FY:
 - 23 Jun 2023 - online
 - 22 September 2023 – to be held at Winstone Village Hall, Cirencester
- Relevant meetings this FY:
 - Ongoing – Cotswold Community Network; fortnightly update meetings on what's happening locally. The update on 24 August focused on CDC's Active Cotswold Project and was attended by AD, BS and JW.

OTHER ACTIVITY**1. 23 June 2023 WG meeting**

- The Working Group priorities were discussed at this meeting and how to move forward in a tangible way over the next year. AP shared the categories below, which are being used across working groups:
 - **Operational** – to work alongside the team to ensure the Removing Barriers funding (to be allocated during 2024/25) has the greatest impact across the CNL (and beyond) – *Becky Jones providing officer support*
 - **Tactical** - to continue to develop the organisation's knowledge about existing delivery of wellbeing and inclusion initiatives across the CNL, and promote them where appropriate – *Jennifer Lanham providing officer support*
 - **Strategic** - to propose ideas to the Executive Committee that may lead to greater equity, diversity and inclusion throughout the organisation and with visitors to the CNL – *James Webb providing officer support*

2. Protected Landscapes Partnership (national update)

- The Protected Landscapes Partnership (involving National Parks, National Landscapes, National Trails and Natural England) is currently recruiting its small core team. Andy Parsons has been invited onto the interview panel for the recruitment of the Partnership's EDI Lead.

DECISIONS REQUIRED

- None

NEXT STEPS

- At the next meeting, time will be dedicated to allocating Board Members to support each of the categories (noted above) and discussing potential plans for the next year.

SUPPORTING PAPERS

- None

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