

North Yorkshire and York Local Nature Recovery Strategy (LNRS)

Consultation Draft Feedback Form

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Document 1

Feedback on Document 1 – Thriving Nature in North Yorkshire and York – Short Summary

The intention of Document 1 is to present a short introduction and summary of the LNRS and it is intentionally kept concise.

1. Please provide any feedback on Document 1

- Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the Strategy; these comments are from Friends of the Dales – a registered charity set up in 1981 which works to protect and enhance the Yorkshire Dales and encourage everyone, from all backgrounds, to value and enjoy this special area. We are the only membership and campaigning charity for the Dales.
- Our comments below include comments general in nature that relate to the LNRS as a whole.
- This LNRS clearly represents a great effort by the people involved. Friends of the Dales would like to express appreciation for all the work done.
- The strategy is welcomed. However, we perceive a major flaw regarding the implied intent of the Strategy (tied up with the wording of the 2021 Environment Act) in that it does not “force landowners or land managers to make any changes or undertake any actions on the land that they own or manage”. We acknowledge that this constraint is beyond your control.
- Given that there is no legal requirement to implement the Nature Recovery Strategy, our concern is that the document may, after its production, be simply shelved and forgotten.
- It is good that the strategy seeks to encourage working together for nature across our region. We would recommend that the Strategy elaborates, in detail, a mechanism for how this will take place.
- More specifically, we have comments on governance. How will the National Parks and National Landscapes work together with North Yorkshire and York and the new North Yorkshire Combined Authority? A large proportion of the area covered by North Yorkshire and York overlaps with these areas.
- We recommend that the various roles and responsibilities are agreed between the various authorities and clearly articulated in the document. We note the “links to other Plans and Strategies” section in Document 2 – but this likewise does not explain how the linkages can be harnessed for implementation of the Strategy.
- We applaud the fact that you have consulted a wider range of stakeholders. As mentioned, we recommend elaborating the precise roles of the stakeholders in nature recovery in relation to this document – this is critical for the statutory bodies in particular.
- The potential confusion regarding roles and responsibilities is highlighted by the fact that the process undertaken by YDNPA to develop their new National Park Management Plan has been steered by a Partnership made up of the authorities and organisations that have a major contribution to delivering the objectives of the Management Plan. North Yorkshire Council has been represented on this Partnership Committee (and is indeed represented in the governance of the YDNPA). This represents a disconnect – how do these authorities manage their roles in relation to the LNRS?

- We draw your attention to the YDNPA Nature Recovery Plan that aims to conserve and enhance the biodiversity within the National Park. This was adopted by the Yorkshire Dales National Park Authority in September 2023 and should be referenced in the LNRS summary (we note the reference in Document 2).
- Given that the role of the new Combined Authority “is to use some of the money and powers, that up to now have been held by central government, and work with local leaders and communities to invest in ways that will help to make York and North Yorkshire a better place for you to live, work and do business” there is scope to clearly describe how this new Authority will support nature recovery.
- As indicated, it is clear that to succeed in bring about nature recovery, there is a need for ongoing cohesion and coherence amongst the statutory stakeholders.
- Page 4: Friends of the Dales supports the need for the production of a Nature Recovery Strategy and the rationale for this. We suggest including a clear mention of “30 x 30” – a target that the UK government is legally obliged to meet.
- The focus of our charitable work is the Yorkshire Dales National Park – plus its setting. This means areas adjacent to the boundary of the National Park - "nature knows no boundary". Together, both National Parks have a significant boundary length.
- We suggest adding reference to the links between the loss of nature and the climate crisis and injecting more of a sense of urgency into the document. Nature is impacted by climate change but can also help mitigate the effects of climate change. This should be explained.
- Principles 1-5 are good. For no. 5 we suggest making the meaning of the word “character” clearer.
- Principles 6-10 are good. We particularly welcome no 7 “Put nature at the heart of political decision making”. That will be challenging so it would be good for this point to be elaborated. How, precisely, will this be achieved?
- We believe that it is essential to highlight Section 245 of the Levelling-up and Regeneration Act 2023 (LURA) that places a duty on North Yorkshire Council as a "relevant authority," to further the statutory purposes of protected landscapes, like National Parks, when exercising its functions.
- In the National Parks the Sandford Principle also applies: The Sandford Principle in National Parks dictates that when there's a conflict between conserving natural beauty and promoting public enjoyment, conservation should be prioritized. Again, this principle should be referenced.
- The illustration on page 6 shows the Long Preston Floodplain Project near Settle – a fantastic example of nature recovery in action. This is ironic given North Yorkshire Council’s ongoing consideration of a planning application to build a holiday park that will negatively impact the wetlands illustrated on the edge of the National Park. The site has no legal protection despite being intrinsically linked with the larger protected wetlands of nearby Long Preston Deepes Site of Special Scientific Interest (SSSI). This has left Hellifield Flashes open to decades of speculative and ill-judged planning applications and outdated designation as a tourism development.
- Page 8: Friends of the Dales welcomes the Habitat Priorities. We recommend adding refence to the Lawton Nature Recovery Principles: “More, Bigger, Better and more

Joined”. These should apply to land, freshwater and coastal habitats. We note the reference later on in the document but think it should be referenced here also. (Afterall, many decision makers will only read the summary document).

- Page 10: benefits of nature: add health and wellbeing; and flood amelioration.
- Species: the decline in these species can only be reversed if addressed as a matter of urgency. The more a species has declined, the more difficult (and expensive) it will be to bring them back.
- The Local Habitat Map is welcomed – but we recommend that this is maintained as a dynamic tool - and updated on an ongoing basis – in this way progress towards nature recovery could be clearly demonstrated. For example, as more farmers practice regenerative agriculture, more of the white areas between the two National Parks will be coloured green and blue.
- The big land use challenge for nature recovery is the farmed landscape. Some of the references to farming are somewhat simplistic. Many farmers are already taking action for nature on their land in. We therefore recommend a read across to the funding environment that farmers have to work in. What needs to be addressed is how farmers can make a living / produce food and still work optimally for nature and climate.
- We welcome reference to the role that can be played by Residents and community groups and to partnership working. Again, how will “partnership” be operationalised?
- Overall, we suggest making the Summary a stand-alone document for the whole Strategy. (Afterall, many decision makers will only read the summary document).

Document 2

Feedback on Document 2 – Thriving Nature in North Yorkshire and York – Our Local Nature Recovery Strategy

Please Note: Document 2 presents selective and summarised information from the other parts of the LNRS and is intentionally kept concise. We welcome any comments on wording or accuracy, but we are not looking to include additional content

2. Please provide any feedback on section 1 ‘What is the purpose of this document?’, and section 2 ‘What is a Local Nature Recovery Strategy?’ (Pages 4 to 9)

- Given that Defra will ask for the LNRS to be revised in due course, it makes sense to keep the Strategy dynamic and “live” and for NY to maintain staff teams engaged with the Strategy.

3. Please provide any feedback on section 3 ‘Vision’ (Pages 10 to 13)

- Again, we note the use of the photograph of Long Preston Floodplain Project (see comments above under Document 1).

4. Section 4 ‘Our Natural Environment’ (Pages 14 to 18) is a summary of Section A ‘1: Overview’ in Document 3: Statement of Biodiversity Priorities, Part I – Description of our Strategy Area.

Please provide any feedback under item 2 on page 5 of this document.

5. Section 5 ‘Our State of Nature’ (Pages 20 to 21) is a summary of Section A ‘2: The State of Nature in North Yorkshire and York’ in Document 3: Statement of Biodiversity Priorities, Part I Description of our Strategy Area.

Please provide any feedback under item 3 on page 5 of this document.

Note: Please use the next questions for any feedback on the individual habitat types

6. Please provide any feedback on the **Farmland** habitats section (Page 22)

Please provide any feedback on the **Upland** habitats section (Page 23)

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7. Please provide any feedback on the **Grassland** habitats section (Page 24)

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8. Please provide any feedback on the **Woodland** habitats section (Page 25)

Please enter your comment here

9. Please provide any feedback on the **Water and wetlands** habitats section (Page 26)

Please enter your comment here

10. Please provide any feedback on the **Urban** habitats section (Page 27)

Please enter your comment here

11. Please provide any feedback on the **Coast** habitats section (Pages 28 and 29)

Please enter your comment here

12. Please provide any feedback on section 6 'Links to other plans and strategies' (Pages 30 to 35)

- It is good to see these links to other Strategies. This section completely omits mention of the National Parks and National Landscapes.
- We suggest that you explain clearly how these "other Strategies" will leveraged / help work to achieve nature recovery (and the implementation of this LNRS). Again, this relates to Recovery Plans produced by the National Parks.
- Is it the case that the YDNPA Management Plan is the delivery plan for achieving the nature recovery objectives of the LNRS for the YDNPA area (on which NYC is a partner)? Please clarify.
- "Nature North": There is clearly a case for partnering across organisations to leverage private sector investment. But what is the role of NYC in funding nature recovery and how does the LNRS engage with the Partnership?

Section 7 'Priorities and Measures (Actions)' (Pages 36 to 53) is a summary of Section B 'Priorities and Measures for the North Yorkshire and York LNRS' and Section C 'Species' in Document: Statement of Biodiversity Priorities, Part II – Priorities and Measures.

For Section B 'Priorities and Measures', please provide any feedback under items 11 to 26 on pages 8 to 10 of this document.

For Section C 'Species', please provide any feedback under items 27 to 36 on pages 10 to 11 of this document.

13. Please provide any feedback on section 8 'Our Nature Network – the Local Habitat Map' (Pages 54 to 60)

- The concept of a national nature recovery network is excellent and this Strategy can contribute to that. As mentioned previously, this is a dynamic concept that would lend itself to being maintained as "live" as more and more stakeholders participate in nature recovery actions.
- "Core sites – Areas of Particular Importance for Biodiversity (APIBs)". This is a very confusing term – particularly as it has been immediately abbreviated. The non conservation / nature recovery world is already confided by a plethora of designations and terms, and this will not help.
- The same applies to "Nature recovery areas – Areas that Could Become of Particular Importance for Biodiversity (ACBs)".
- It is good to map areas that could become of particular importance for biodiversity. These are areas where the responsible authority and our local partners propose that nature recovery effort should be focused to achieve the greatest benefit for biodiversity and the wider environment.
- Page 60: important to include the non-mapped areas.

14. Please provide any feedback on section 9 'Delivery – who can do what?' (Pages 61 to 70)

- Page 62: Interesting to read that "Subject to funding from Defra, the expectation is that an LNRS delivery team will be set up by the responsible authority to support communities, businesses and organisations and help support their plans for nature".

Suggest adding this point into the summary. The Nature Network Map should clearly be maintained as a dynamic tool.

- In addition, there is a fundamental question here: how does NYC as the “responsible authority” discharge this role following completion of the LNRS? And critically, how does that relate to the actions that will be delivered through the YDNPA’s (and other National Parks and Landscapes) own Nature Recovery Plan Management Plan?
- And as noted on Section 6, the links to other Strategies and Plans draws out many local and regional organisations but not the national parks themselves.
- Pages 61 – 70 – the “why and the how”. This is good and encouraging content that needs to be included in the summary, e.g. green jobs. The “how” should be further elaborated.

Document 3

Feedback on Document 3 – Description of the North Yorkshire and York LNRS Strategy Area, its biodiversity and opportunities for recovery

1. Please provide any feedback on the Document Overview (Page 1)

- We welcome the positive framing of the “Environmental Opportunities”
- We welcome the reference to the importance of heather moorland and blanket bog, including in the national context.

Section A – The North Yorkshire and York LNRS strategy area

2. Please provide any feedback on section 1 ‘Overview’ (Pages 2 to 4)

- We welcome the reference to heather moorland and blanket bog that support rare species such as Hen Harrier, Merlin, and Bog Asphodel. The fact that the area has 27% of England’s blanket bog resource and around 25% of the upland heathland resource means that the various statutory authorities have a particular responsibility for their management. The same applies to the half of all Britain’s limestone pavement and significant proportion of the national upland hay meadow habitat occurring in the Yorkshire Dales National Park.
- In several places in the Sub-area descriptions reference is made to the need to safeguard, manage and enhance the large areas of blanket bog and wet-heath habitats and the important species they support - and the need the to take action against wildlife crime to ensure an end to persecution and a sustainable future for birds of prey such as hen harrier, merlin etc. We strongly recommend adding in the word “illegal” before wildlife crime wherever it is mentioned in the whole document.
- We also point out that degraded blanket bog and upland / wet heath habitats can only recovered if burning for grouse moors is eradicated. The damage done by repeated burning to such habitats should be highlighted in this Strategy.

3. Please provide any feedback on section 2 ‘The State of Nature in North Yorkshire and York’ (Pages 5 to 7)

- Friends of the Dales welcomes the use of information from YWT’s State of Nature Report, both here and elsewhere in the document.
- Page 5 of the full document: How will the decision criteria on “the best locations to focus action and resources to enhance habitat, including the delivery of environmental land management schemes (ELMs), biodiversity net gain (BNG) and local investment in natural capital (LINC)” be assessed against existing funding criteria?

Please provide any feedback on section 3 ‘Benefits from nature’ (Page 8)

Good to have this section but recommend making the content the same as to other similar sections in the document and ensure that all the benefits are included. It would be good to include “social prescribing”.

4. Please provide any feedback on section 4 'Land Use Summary for North Yorkshire and York' (Page 9 and 10)

Suggest referencing "Other effective area-based conservation measures" – a term coined by the Biodiversity Convention to describe areas whose primary management aim is not conservation but nevertheless provide benefits for nature. It is highly relevant to measuring progress towards 30 x 30.

5. Please provide any feedback on section 5 'Areas of Particular Importance for Biodiversity' (Page 11 and 12)

Include "Important Plant Areas" and "Important Bird & Biodiversity Areas".

Section B – Sub-area descriptions

6. Please provide any feedback on the 'North Yorkshire and York LNRS Area – Sub Area Map' section (Page 13)

7. Please provide any feedback on the 'Urban environments' section (Page 14 and 15)

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8. Please provide any feedback on section 1 'Bowland Fells' (Page 16)

9. Please provide any feedback on section 2 'Craven Lowlands' (Page 17)

- Mention valuable species rich pasture (not just hay meadows).
- Add need to avoid ploughing areas of limestone grassland (not necessarily pristine but have massive potential for recovery) and resowing with herbal leys.

Please provide any feedback on section 3 'Limestone Landscape' (Page 18 and 19)

Please enter your comment here

10. Please provide any feedback on section 4 'Moorlands and Dales' (Page 20 and 21)

Please enter your comment here

11. Please provide any feedback on section 5 'Pennine Dales Fringe' (Page 22)

Please enter your comment here

12. Please provide any feedback on section 6 'Southern Magnesian Limestone' (Page 23)

Please enter your comment here

13. Please provide any feedback on section 7 'Tees Lowlands/Vale of Mowbray' (Page 24)

Please enter your comment here

14. Please provide any feedback on section 8 'Vale of York West/Humberhead Levels West' (Page 25)

Please enter your comment here

15. Please provide any feedback on section 9 'Vale of York East/Lower Derwent Valley' (Page 26)

Please enter your comment here

16. Please provide any feedback on section 10 'Howardian Hills' (Page 27)

Please enter your comment here

17. Please provide any feedback on section 11 'Vale of Pickering' (Page 28)

Please enter your comment here

18. Please provide any feedback on section 12 'Yorkshire Wolds' (Page 29)

Please enter your comment here

19. Please provide any feedback on section 13 'Esk Catchment' (Page 30)

Mention is made here of the ability of the ability of well managed moorlands to sequester carbon, and the benefits that well managed moorland for water quality and flood control. This applies to all moorland areas in this section and should be mentioned in the overview.

Please provide any feedback on section 14 'Upland Plateau' (Page 31)

Please enter your comment here

20. Please provide any feedback on section 15 'Tabular Hills/Southern Fringe' (Page 32)

Please enter your comment here

21. Please provide any feedback on section 16 'Yorkshire Coast' (Page 33 and 34)

Please enter your comment here

22. Please provide any feedback on Appendix 1 'National Character Areas (NCA) map' (Page 36)

Please enter your comment here

Document 4

Feedback on Document 4 – Statement of Biodiversity Priorities, Part II – Priorities and Measures.

1. Please provide any feedback on the Document Overview (Page 1)

Section A – Overview of Priorities and Measures

2. Please provide any feedback on section 1 'Introduction', and section 2 'What are priorities and measures?' (Page 2)

Please enter your comment here

3. Please provide any feedback on section 3 'How do priorities and measures relate to other LNRS documents and maps?' (Page 3)

Please enter your comment here

4. Please provide any feedback on section 4 'How do priorities and measures relate to the LNRS public survey?' (Page 5 and 6)

Please enter your comment here

5. Please provide any feedback on section 5 'Do priorities and measures contribute to wider benefits from nature?' (Page 7 and 8)

Please enter your comment here

6. Please provide any feedback on section 6 'Contribution to National Environmental Objectives (NEOs)' (Page 9)

Please enter your comment here

7. Please provide any feedback on section 7 'Who is the document for?' (Page 10 and 11)

Please enter your comment here

8. Please provide any feedback on section 8 'How was the list made?' (Page 12)

Please enter your comment here

9. Please provide any feedback on section 9 'How do I navigate the document?' (Page 13 and 14)

Please enter your comment here

Section B – Priorities and Measures for the North Yorkshire and York LNRS

10. Please provide any feedback on the overview of the **Overarching Priorities** (Page 15)

Please enter your comment here

11. Please provide any feedback on the **Overarching Priorities** and objectives in the table below (Page 16 and 17)

To add a row, please right-click in the table and select 'Insert' and 'Insert Rows Below'

| Priority Code | Objective No. | Comment |
|---------------------|-----------------------------------|--|
| For example OVR_P01 | For example 1 | Please enter your comment here |
| OVR_PR2 | N/A Suggested additional point | Mention importance of local provenance in habitat enhancement / creation schemes. |
| OVR_PR2 | N/A Suggested additional point | Include importance of heritage breeds of plants and animals. These are critical for food security in the long term, and in the case of heritage breeds of livestock essential for bringing about the recovery of grasslands, for instance. |
| OVR_PR1 | Objective 1 | Suggest that a mechanism for "partnership working" is devised. (See our comments on Document 1) |
| OVR_PR5 | N/A Suggested additional point | Add citizen science |

Habitat Priorities

12. Please provide any feedback on the overview of the **Farmland** priorities (Page 18)

- Friends of the Dales works with many land managers and farmers and our comment here is again about confusing layers of governance. Farmers already face a plethora of confusing advice from Defra and others. Farmers in the Dales are likely to ask whose advice they need to follow - YDNP Management Plan or NYC LNRS?
- How does the governance relate to funding for instance? "Can I get funding as a farmer from NYC if I've already got DEFRA and YDNP funding?" How would existing funding arrangements change?

Please provide any feedback on the **Farmland** priorities and measures (actions) in the table below (Page 19 to 23)

If your comment relates to a priority only (including benefits or focus species), please complete the 'Priority Code' column along with your comment. If your comment relates to a measure (action), please complete the 'Measure Code' column along with your comment.

To add a row, please right-click in the table and select 'Insert' and 'Insert Rows Below'

- **General comment on measures:** Address farmland management that is compatible with survival of management priority species such as curlew and lapwing (and other ground nesting waders).
- Include specific measures to address further intensification, the widespread applications of pesticides / herbicides (leading to loss of species and in particular of pollinating insects) as well as loss of fallow / over-wintering crops or stubble to support birds and other wildlife during the winter months.

| Priority Code | Measure Code | Comment |
|---------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------------|
| For example FRM_P01 | For example FRM_M01.1 | Please enter your comment here |

13. Please provide any feedback on the overview of the **Upland** priorities (Page 24)

Please enter your comment here

14. Please provide any feedback on the **Upland** priorities and measures (actions) in the table below (Page 25 to 30)

If your comment relates to a priority only (including benefits or focus species), please complete the 'Priority Code' column along with your comment. If your comment relates to a measure (action), please complete the 'Measure Code' column along with your comment.

To add a row, please right-click in the table and select 'Insert' and 'Insert Rows Below'

| Priority Code | Measure Code | Comment |
|---------------|--------------|--|
| UPL_P04 | | Enhancement of acid grassland would benefit waders greatly. Curlew and/or lapwing should be added to focus species |
| UPL_P04 | UPL_M04.2 | In agreement with rewetting and adding scrapes for benefit of breeding waders |
| UPL_P08 | | In agreement with measures. Will greatly benefit curlew and breeding waders |
| UPL_P08 | UPL_M08.4 | Any tree planting should not increase predator shadow across moorland edge |

15. Please provide any feedback on the overview of the **Grassland** priorities (Page 31)

- We recommend including more on the increasing importance of road verges as a last repository of many grassland species. Verges need to be managed better to improve species diversity and monitored to ensure their survival. Verges are also very important in providing connections between other habitats.
- We welcome and support the priority to 'Modify the management of urban grassland'; this is currently an under-used resource and could contribute much more to nature. But the wording of the example measure (action) is odd - why reduce the area? The wording should be along the lines of: "Introduce changes to mowing and management regimes to encourage more species diversity"

Please provide any feedback on the **Grassland** priorities and measures (actions) in the table below (Page 32 to 37)

If your comment relates to a priority only (including benefits or focus species), please complete the 'Priority Code' column along with your comment. If your comment relates to a measure (action), please complete the 'Measure Code' column along with your comment.

To add a row, please right-click in the table and select 'Insert' and 'Insert Rows Below'

| Priority Code | Measure Code | Comment |
|---------------------|-----------------------------------|--|
| For example FRM_P01 | For example FRM_M01.1 | Please enter your comment here |
| Priority Code | Measure Code | Comment |
| GRA_P02 | | In agreement with expansion of grassland for benefit of waders |
| GRA_P07 | N/A Suggested additional point | Very much welcome the section on Enhancing Road verges |

16. Please provide any feedback on the overview of the **Woodland** priorities (Page 38)

Please enter your comment here

17. Please provide any feedback on the **Woodland** priorities and measures (actions) in the table below (Page 39 to 44)

If your comment relates to a priority only (including benefits or focus species), please complete the 'Priority Code' column along with your comment. If your comment relates to a measure (action), please complete the 'Measure Code' column along with your comment.

To add a row, please right-click in the table and select 'Insert' and 'Insert Rows Below'

| Priority Code | Measure Code | Comment |
|---------------------|-----------------------|---|
| For example FRM_P01 | For example FRM_M01.1 | Please enter your comment here |
| WLD_P03 | WLD_M03.2 | Should be greater emphasis in not affecting other priorities. Mention "right tree, right place", predator shadow etc. |
| WLD_P03 | WLD_M03.3 | Also, not at expense of other priority species such as curlew and lapwing |

18. Please provide any feedback on the overview of the **Water and wetlands** priorities (Page 45)

Please enter your comment here

19. Please provide any feedback on the **Water and wetlands** priorities and measures (actions) in the table below (Page 46 to 54)

If your comment relates to a priority only (including benefits or focus species), please complete the 'Priority Code' column along with your comment. If your comment relates to a measure (action), please complete the 'Measure Code' column along with your comment.

To add a row, please right-click in the table and select 'Insert' and 'Insert Rows Below'

| Priority Code | Measure Code | Comment | |
|---------------------|-----------------------|---|--|
| For example FRM_P01 | For example FRM_M01.1 | Please enter your comment here | |
| WET_P05 | WET_M05.4 | Also focus on enhancement of wetlands for wader population through scrape creation and rewetting. | |
| WET_P06 | WET_M06.6 | Promote scrape creation to retain water within floodplain during spring and summer months | |

20. Please provide any feedback on the overview of the **Urban** priorities (Page 55)

- Recommend adding mention of road verges here. If the significance of road verges is not recognised, then they will continue to suffer from neglect and inappropriate management and yet more species will be lost.

Please provide any feedback on the **Urban** priorities and measures (actions) in the table below (Page 56 to 59)

If your comment relates to a priority only (including benefits or focus species), please complete the 'Priority Code' column along with your comment. If your comment relates to a measure (action), please complete the 'Measure Code' column along with your comment.

To add a row, please right-click in the table and select 'Insert' and 'Insert Rows Below'

| Priority Code | Measure Code | Comment |
|---------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------------|
| For example FRM_P01 | For example FRM_M01.1 | Please enter your comment here |

21. Please provide any feedback on the overview of the **Coastal** priorities (Page 60)

Please enter your comment here

22. Please provide any feedback on the **Coastal** priorities and measures (actions) in the table below (Page 61 and 62)

If your comment relates to a priority only (including benefits or focus species), please complete the 'Priority Code' column along with your comment. If your comment relates to a measure (action), please complete the 'Measure Code' column along with your comment.

To add a row, please right-click in the table and select 'Insert' and 'Insert Rows Below'

| Priority Code | Measure Code | Comment |
|---------------|----------------|---|
| e.g. FRM_P01 | e.g. FRM_M01.1 | Please enter your comment here |
| CST_P03 | CST_M02.2 | Monitoring and management should also include wintering waders, both in terms of feeding sites and roost sites. |

Section C – Species

23. Please provide any feedback on section 1 'Introduction', and section 2 'What are priority species?' (Page 63)

Delivery: who can do what? More definite actions and investments in our environment are needed. Without changing how things are done, there won't be any changes in the state of nature, no improvements. Genuine, long-term support is needed for farmers and land-managers to invest in actions that bring them no immediate personal gain.

Please provide any feedback on section 3 'How do species relate to measures?' (Page 64)

Please enter your comment here

24. Please provide any feedback on section 4 'Focus Species' (Page 64)

The emphasis on the need for monitoring is to be welcomed - how else can we measure either change or, hopefully, improvements? Please provide any feedback on section 5 'Future migrants and species recovery projects', and section 6 'Bespoke Species Measures' (Page 65)

Please enter your comment here

25. Please provide any feedback on Table 1 'Individual focus species' (Page 66 to 68)

Please enter your comment here

26. Please provide any feedback on Table 2 'Focus species assemblages' (Page 69 and 70)

Please enter your comment here

27. Please provide any feedback on section 7 'Species recovery projects list' (Page 71)

Absolutely essential to add in the names of the organisations who will lead on each species recovery project.

28. Please provide any feedback on Table 3 'Species associated with existing or planned species recovery projects' (Page 71)

Please enter your comment here

29. Please provide any feedback on section 8 'Migrants list' (Page 72)

Please enter your comment here

30. Please provide any feedback on Table 4 'Potential future migrant species' (Page 72)

Please enter your comment here

Additional comments

1. Please provide any additional feedback on the draft documents, **not** covered by one of the specific sections above

Friends of the Dales has made some additional comments in relation to Document 1 – that apply to the whole Strategy.

Feedback on the Local Habitat Map user interface

2. Please provide any feedback on the mapping layers that are included within the Local Habitat Map interface and the layer names used.

Please enter your comment here

3. Please provide any feedback on the general functionality of the Local Habitat Map interface (for example clarity, speed of loading, ease of navigation).

Please enter your comment here

4. Please provide any feedback on the way that mapped measures are displayed within the Local Habitat Map interface (pop-up dialogue when clicking into an area of the 'Mapped Measures' layer).

Please enter your comment here

5. Please provide any feedback on the map comments system, accessed by selecting 'click here to comment'.

Please enter your comment here

Additional comments

6. Please provide any additional feedback on the Local Habitat Map interface, **not** covered by one of the specific sections above.

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