

NPE ANALYSIS OF 25 YEAR ENVIRONMENT PLAN

Below is a matrix designed to assist in prioritising which of the 200 actions contained within the [25 Year Environment Plan](#) should be priorities for NPA's collective efforts through NPE. This analysis is obviously incomplete since we do not know when some of the actions may occur, or what approach Ministers might take to their implementation.

Whether NPE or National Park Authorities engage with these is still be considered against other competing priorities, and capacity.

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		All NPs affected	Opp. for NP purposes	Threat to NP purposes	NPA/NPEs add value	Likely to be in '18	PRIORITY
HIGHER PRIORITY							
1	Delivering the Government’s recently published Heritage Statement 2017 (p 17)	✓	✓		✓	✓	Medium
2	Embedding environmental net gain – including its extension to other areas beyond biodiversity (p 33) and how MHCLG tariff proposals would impact on NPs (p 34)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	High
3	Determining appropriate locations to pilot a revolving land bank for housing in rural areas (p 34)	✓	✓		✓		Medium

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4	Designing and delivering a new environmental land management system – where the principle public good is environmental enhancement (p 36)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	High
5	Working with landowners, farmers etc. to identify and target areas most suitable to encourage and likely to benefit most from woodland creation (p 48)		✓	✓	✓		Medium
6	Plans to strengthen domestic carbon offset mechanisms (p 48)	✓	✓	✓			Medium
7	Designing a new woodland creation grant scheme (p 49)	✓	✓	✓	✓		Medium
8	Forestry Investment Zones as a way of accelerating new planting. (p 49)			✓			Low
9	Expanding the use of natural flood management solutions – from the £15m Natural Flood Management funding already agreed (p 52)	✓	✓		✓		Medium

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10	Publishing a strategy for nature (p 58)	✓	✓		✓		Medium
11	Developing a nature recovery network (p 58)		✓	✓	✓		Medium
12	Undertaking a Hobhouse Review for the 21 st Century of National Parks / AONBs (p 65-66)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	High
13	Working with NPAs and AONBs to deliver env. enhancement through demonstrator projects & Management plans (p66)	✓	✓		✓	✓	Medium
14	Delivering against the 8 Point Plan including on the expanded number of direct contacts to National Parks. (p 66)	✓	✓		✓		Medium
15	Establish <25 new catchment or landscape scale nature recovery areas (p 59) with a focus on peatland restoration, natural flood management and woodland planting		✓		✓		Low

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16	Monitoring indicators of landscape quality & character to improve landscapes for people, places and nature (p 66) and agree metrics to measure progress against their ambitions for landscape and beauty	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	High
17	Promoting health and wellbeing through the natural environment – with a 3 year 'Natural Environment for Health and Well-Being' programme (p 74)	✓	✓		✓	✓	Medium
18	Considering how environmental therapies could be delivered through mental health services (p 74) and sharing lessons learned from social prescribing programmes so others can adopt best practice	✓	✓				Low
19	Supporting the 2019 Year of Green Action where a "wide range of engagement activities" are promised (p 80)	✓	✓		✓		Medium
20	Consulting on a new env. watchdog and environmental principles (p 128)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	High

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21	Co-design & delivery of 14 natural capital plans – based on the Area Integrated Plans being developed by EA/NE/FC (p140)	✓	✓		✓	✓	Medium
22	Working with partners to develop post-EU exit arrangements and scope the potential for novel funding streams and incentives, including levies and charges (p 144)	✓	✓	✓			Medium
LOWER PRIORITY							
23	Implementing a sustainable and effective second National Adaptation Programme (p 29)	✓	✓		✓		L
24	Making sure all policies/ programmes and investment decisions take into account the possible extent of climate change (p 29)	✓	✓	✓			L
25	Improving biosecurity to protect and enhance nature (p 30)	✓	✓				L
26	Producing stronger new standards for Green Infrastructure (p 34)	✓	✓		✓		L

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27	Enforcing new farming rules for water and reviewing them in 2021 (p 38)	✓	✓				L
28	The development of soil health metrics by Defra (p 43)	✓	✓	✓			L
29	Supporting larger scale woodland creation (p 49)		✓	✓			L
30	Grown in Britain to increase home grown timber used in England in construction (p 49)		✓		✓		L
31	Providing opportunities for reintroduction of native species (p 61)		✓				L
32	Consultation on a Code and best practice guidance on species reintroduction projects (p 61)	✓			✓		L
33	Exploring how to give individuals the chance to deliver lasting conservation (p 62)	✓	✓				L
34	Taking forward Law Commission proposals on conservation covenants (p 62)	✓	✓				L
35	Developing a Tree Health Resilience Plan in 2018 (p 64)	✓	✓			✓	L
36	Raising awareness of invasive non-native species (p 64)	✓	✓				I

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37	Regulating all significant water abstractions by 2022, and updating 10 abstraction licencing strategies by 2021 and all remaining strategies by 2027 (p 69)		✓	✓			L
38	Consulting on a National Policy Statement for Water Resources in 2018 (p 70)	✓		✓		✓	L
39	Feeding into Water Price Reviews for industry (p 70)	✓	✓				L
40	Developing standardised tools for service providers to support roll out of social prescribing (p 74)	✓	✓				L
41	Helping children and young people from all backgrounds to engage with nature and improve the environment – with a £10m fund, and also a pupil referral programme linked to nature (p 76)	✓	✓		✓		L
42	Relaunching the ORVal tool to assist people's access to the natural environment in 2018 (p77)	✓	✓			✓	L
43	Scoping out an evidence based behaviour change strategy (p 82)	✓	✓				L

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44	Completing a full set of Marine Plans by 2021 and a 3 rd tranche of Marine Management Zones to be held with designation by mid 2019 (p108)		✓				L
45	Updating the UK National Ecosystem Assessment in 2022 (p 128)	✓	✓				L
46	Establishing, with ONS a full set of natural capital accounts (p 133)	✓	✓				L
47	Establishing a Natural Environment Impact Fund (p 149)	✓	✓		✓		L