P&R Committee 18th July 2019; agenda item 9 Appendix 4: Corporate Plan indicators Annual Report 2018/19

| Corporate Plan objective | Corporate Plan 2018-19 indicator | Action or Measure | Person responsible for indicator | Data | Commentary |
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| | CP-1.1 % ha chalk grassland restored or created | Measure | Adam Brown | | It has not been possible to report on this indicator as a a methodology is still being developed. A new Biodiversity staff group has been set up to agree methodologies such as this from 2019/20 onwards. |
| | CP-1.2 % of chalk grassland in good or improving condition | Measure | Adam Brown | 99% | 43% of chalk grassland SSSI is in favourable condition and 56% is in unfavourable recovering condition |
| | CP-1.3 Hectares heathland restored or created | Measure | Colin Carre | 383 hectares in years 1-3 of the Heathlands Reunited project and 288 hectares in year 3 alone | Sites include: Ambersham and Heyshott Commons, Blackdown, Chapel Common, Graffham Common, Iping and Stedham Commons, Iron Hill, Lavington Common, Lynchmere Common and Woolbeding Common. |
| | CP 1.4 % heathland in good or improving condition | Measure | Adam Brown | 100% | 29% of heathland SSSI is in favourable condition and 71% in unfavourable recovering condition |
| | CP-1.5 % woodland in management | Measure | Andy Player | | This data is only available from the Forestry Commission and the Woodland Officer was unable to obtain it for this period. A process is being developed to enable collection of this information from 2019/20 onwards. |
| | CP-1.6 As a result of Historic England prioritisation agree an action plan for implementing recommendations regarding Scheduled Ancient Monuments (SAMs) | Action | Annoshka Rawden | | A major internal restructure of Historic England which meant that the Heritage At Risk Officer was seconded into another role, has delayed this work. Alongisde this, the results of a pilot project to test a volunteer model for monitoring and recording SAMs has not yet been evaluated. Once this has been done, the lessons learned from the pilot will be taken on board when formulating an action plan. Data sharing has been discussed with Historic England (HE) and we will look for ways within the action plan to ensure SDNPA have access to relevant data without having to rely on the annual HE Heritage at Risk (HAR) reports. |
| | CP-1.7 Number of Scheduled Ancient Monuments (SAMs) that have been taken off the 'vulnerable' or 'at risk' register' | Measure | Annoshka Rawden | 1 was removed from the 'vulnerable' or 'at risk' register | |
| | CP-2.1 Relevant planning and other permissions for Centurion Way in place | Action | Nigel James | | Centurion Way Phase II (West Dean to South Downs Way / Cocking Hill) planning application submitted in December 2018. It is currently due to be considered by SDNPA Planning Committee in May 2019. |
| | CP-2.2 % aware of SDNP in YouGov poll | Measure | Tanya Hibberd | 60% of the 2,149 YouGov pollsters were aware of the SDNP | |
| | CP-2.3 Number of agreed prioritised Access Land sites where furniture has been repaired or replaced according to the annual maintenance programme | Measure | Allison Thorpe | | In 2018/19 the following dedicated open access furniture was replaced: 2 old step stiles were replaced with new step stiles 1 step stile was replaced with a pedestrian gate 5 step stiles were replaced with kiss gates 4 old kiss gates were replaced with new kiss gates |
| | CP-2.4 Total number of volunteer days undertaken by the South Downs Volunteer Ranger service | Measure | Daniel Greenwood / Amanda Elmes | 4,552 volunteer days of activity were given in support of the South Downs National Park | Activities were heavily focused towards vegetation management out on the Downs, with 1109 days of scrub clearance and 565 days of coppicing. These activities aim to promote the diversity of flora and insects species that are found in chalk downland and coppiced ancient woodlands. Invasive species clearance has remained an important aspect of volunteer activity, with 147 days given in support of ragwort removal in heathland and downland habitats. |
| | CP-3.1 At least one hub or gateway delivered during 2018-19 | Measure | Ruth James | 1 new gateway at launched at Gilbert White Museum May 2018 | During 2018/19 we worked with many partners to ensure people knew and could learn about the National Park. We created gateway map templates which were rolled out with partners at Winchester City Council's offices and information centre and at Holden Farm campsite on the South Downs Way as well as to our Visitor Giving partners. We are also continuing to work on gateways at QECP, Petersfield Museum and with other partners. |

| Objective 3. Towards a Sustainable Future | CP-3.2 Ten tourism sector businesses undergone intensive Discover England training programme | Measure | Katharine Beer | | Training covered the following areas: • Developing Experiences • International Travel Trade • Australian and German Markets • E-Learning and full toolkits for participating businesses Intensive one to one support has been given to all the businesses involved by the Business Support consultant. |
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| | CP-3.3 Deliver £1m worth of projects in accordance with the priorities in the SDNPA IBP by 2021 | Measure | Kelly Porter | We are on target to deliver £1m of projects by 2021 | In the 2018/19 financial year, £1,094,367.65 CIL receipts have been collected. Whilst the direct payments have been made to the Parish / Town Councils (see below) the actual 2018/19 IBP is yet to be agreed (due to go to planning committee in August 2019), thus we are unable to say what projects will be funded yet. £111,631.85 was distributed to 24 Parish / Town Councils where development has taken place. For 2018/19 we distributed £551,722.18 of the Section 106 monies we |
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| 4. A confident, secure and effective organisation | CP-4.1 PMP delivery plan agreed and published by April 2019 | Action | Anne Rehill | | PMP review timetable amended. Revised date for approval of content of plan will be NPA meeting in July 2019. Final publication will be before the end of Q3 2019-20, ready for launch in 2020. |
| | CP-4.2 References to the SDNP PMP in strategic plans of other organisations | Action | Anne Rehill | | Evidence of mentions of the PMP in Water Company 5 year Business Plans. Lawton Group organisations, National Trust, Wildlife Trusts, Woodland Trust and Foestry Commission have all made the South Downs a focal area for their work. |
| | CP-4.3 % major applications determined within 13 weeks | Measure | Mike Huges | 78% determined within 13 weeks | Total number of decisions issued = 49 Total decisions issued in time = 38 |
| | CP-4.4 % minor applications determined within 8 weeks | Measure | Mike Huges | 80% determined within 8 weeks | Total number of decisions issued = 554 Total decisions issued in time = 444 |
| | CP-4.5 % other applications determined within 8 weeks | Measure | Mike Huges | 87% determined within 8 weeks | Total number of decisions issued = 1,899 Total decisions issued in time = 1,647 |
| | CP-4.6 % customers satisfied with the planning service | Measure | Tanya Hibberd | 69% were very/fairly satisfied with the overall service | This figure is from the 2017 planning customer satisfaction survey of planning agents & applicants, parish council clerks and statutory and non-statutory consultees. The next survey is due to take place in 2020/21 when we will report an updated figure. |
| | CP-4.7 % SDNPA-led projects delivered to programme | Measure | Liz Gent | | There are currently 14 projects in delivery which are SDNPA-led, these are all currently on programme. There is also one project that was SDNPA-led that closed this year which was also on programme (heritage coast). Thus a total of 15 projects in 2018/2019. However four projects had their programmes extended (which equates to 26%) these were: • Truleigh Hill YHA- programme has been extended to reflect YHA decision to renovate • Archaeology on the Edge - programme has been extended by three months for contractors • Heritage Coast- programme was extended by three months to allow for consultants to complete reports due to sickness issues • Beggars Bush- delayed start to project due to farmer's bereavement issue, so programme extended. |