

National Park Authority Board Meeting

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Annual Operational Plan Progress Report



Paper for information

1. Introduction

- 1.1. Members will recall that at the March Board meeting changes were proposed to the Governance and reporting structure following feedback from members in recent workshop sessions. The proposed adjustments were to ensure a good balance of Board time divided between the scrutiny of the organisation's performance, discussion and development of policy and strategy and in engaging with issues and stakeholders in the National park. The changes sought to ensure that the full Board was well sighted and informed on organisation performance while still delegating more detailed responsibilities appropriately to statutory and non-statutory Committees.
- 1.2. The approved changes included that the standard Board agenda would incorporate more structured reporting on organisation performance including a monitoring report on the delivery of the Annual Operational Plan. Additionally there would be a rotation of specific reports on the organisation's compliance with its statutory responsibilities and associated performance targets (e.g. planning, health and safety etc).
- 1.3. This is the first such report on the progress of Operational Plan objectives. The specific report on this occasion is to revise the Corporate Risk Register, which will be considered as a confidential item.

2. Recommendation

- 2.1. Members are asked to **note** the contents of this report.
- 2.2. Members are asked to provide feedback on the style/level of content of the report.

3. Contribution to National Park Partnership Plan

- 3.1 The structure of the progress report is based around the 2018-19 Annual Operational Plan approved by the Board in March 2018. The Annual Operational Plan objectives were aligned with the 2018-2023 National Park Partnership Plan. The performance report continues to articulate progress towards these National Park Partnership Plan Priority Activities and the Indicators of Success.

4. Headlines

- 4.1. This, the first report, covers April and to mid-May and therefore is a relatively short reporting period.
- 4.2. The majority of activities are progressing in line with expectations.

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4.3. There has been a focus on the delivery of:

- the development of the new campsite at Loch Achray
- the deployment for the start of the Your Park season
- the preparations for the 2018 Euro Championships and the Cultural Festival that will take place in Balloch
- internally launching the start of the delivery of the Callander Landscape Partnership Project
- increasing the resource deployment to bolster litter management

4.4. There are currently no projects anticipated to be “At Risk” or “Cancelled/Postponed”

4.5. The Delivery Group will continue to receive more detailed reports on priority projects. For 2018-2019 the priority projects are:

- Callander Landscape Partnership Project
- Implementation of the Camping Management Strategy
- Litter Management
- Extension of Car Park Charging
- European Championships Open Water Swimming (completing in August 2018)

4.6. It is the intention that litter will be the topic of a Board workshop later this year.

5. Conclusion

5.1. Reporting to the Board has been changed to reflect the intentions from the Governance changes.

5.2. Good progress is being made in delivering the Annual Operational Plan.

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