

# National Park Authority

## Audit & Risk Committee Meeting

Agenda Item 7



### Outstanding Actions Update

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#### *Paper for information*

1. Purpose

The purpose of this paper is to provide an update on the outstanding actions arising from internal audit work.

2. Recommendation

Members are asked to note this report.

3. Contribution to Our 5 Year Plan

This contributes towards the delivery of Our 5 Year Plan by ensuring that we improve the processes we use to achieve our aims and objectives following robust and regular reviews by Internal Audit.

4. Outstanding Actions (Appendix 1)

4.1 Of the eleven outstanding internal audit actions, five are now complete.

4.2 The six actions that remain outstanding are all low risk recommendations. Progress on three of these has been directly affected by the COVID-19 pandemic resulting in delays. The other three relate to the boat registration database, which is due in early 2021. COVID-19 could also put this timeline at risk as the year progresses.

4.3 The external audit recommendations are also included in the outstanding actions and these do not receive a risk rating. There are two outstanding and these will be addressed as part of the 2020/21 year end accounts and audit.

5. Policy Review

The list of policies and review dates is attached at **Appendix 2**. Many of the timescales for policy review are at risk due to reduced staff capacity arising from the COVID-19 pandemic. We have not yet done a comprehensive review to re-plan these timescales.

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