

2026/27 Annual Operational Plan Progress Report

Agenda Item 13

National Park Authority Board Meeting

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1. Purpose

1.1. This paper is our second report on our progress against the 2026/27 Annual Operational Plan which was approved by Board in March 2026. Appendix 1 details progress on each deliverable within the plan.

2. Recommendation(s)

2.1. Members are asked to note the contents of the report.

3. Contribution to National Park Partnership Plan and/or Our Corporate Plan

3.1. The 2026/27 Annual Operational Plan objectives are aligned with the 2024-2029 National Park Partnership Plan (NPPP) and Our Corporate Plan 2025-2030.

4. Progress update

4.1. The table below summarises the progress of the 31 deliverables in the plan:

Rating	Deliverables
Complete	-
On Track	30 (+2)
Behind Schedule	1 (-2)
At Risk	-
Continued to 2027/28	-
Cancelled	-
Total	31

4.2. We are pleased to report that most of the deliverables in the plan are On Track.

4.3. One deliverable currently Behind Schedule;

- D/A/05y – Mission Zero

4.4. The reason for being behind schedule at this point in the year is:

- Staff resourcing and recruitment challenges

4.5. Updates on cross-cutting and enabling functions are included in Appendix 1. As outlined in the Budget and AOP 2026/27 paper approved by Members in March 2026, these deliverables are not rated, but a narrative update is provided.

5. Next steps

5.1. We will report to the Board in December with a further update on the 2026/27 Annual Operational Plan.

6. Appendices

Appendix 1 – 2026/27 Annual Operational Plan Progress Update Report

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