#### REPORT OF CONSERVATION POLICY OFFICER, BIODIVERSITY OFFICER AND COMMUNITY ARCHAEOLOGIST

## SUBJECT: ACTION PLANS IN SUPPORT OF THE NATIONAL PARK MANAGEMENT PLAN 2020-2024

#### Purpose of Report

1. To seek Members' approval of two draft action plans in support of the National Park Management Plan 2020-2024: *Celebrating Heritage* and *Restoring Nature*.

#### **Background**

- 2. The Pembrokeshire Coast National Park Management Plan 2020-2024 was adopted on 11th December 2019 and officers undertook to prepare and publish a series of action plans in support of it (report 42/19). The action plans would set out the Authority's current and proposed responses to key policy challenges identified in the Management Plan. The action plans would thereby provide a bridge between the five-year Management Plan and the annual Corporate and Resources Plan. The action plans will be reviewed on an annual basis to determine progress and assess whether amendments are required.
- 3. The action plan *Responding to the Climate Change Emergency* was prepared by the Performance and Compliance Coordinator and approved on the 3rd June 2020 (report 30/20). Following consultation with Authority staff and with partner organisations, two further action plans *Celebrating Heritage* and *Restoring Nature*, drafted by the Community Archaeologist and the Biodiversity Officer respectively, are now presented for Members' comment and approval.

#### Engagement and partnership

- 4. Celebrating Heritage was produced following consultation with Authority staff and external organisations, including Cadw and the Dyfed Archaeological Trust, during 2020. Celebrating Heritage takes into account the priorities of the National Park Management Plan 2020-2024, corporate and national wellbeing objectives and measures relating to climate change, in particular the Welsh Government Historic Environment and Climate Change in Wales Sector Adaptation Plan<sup>1</sup>. The action plan identifies a range of stakeholders and partners necessary for delivery. These include a variety of external organisations at a local, regional and national level, members of the local community and the wider public.
- 5. *Restoring Nature* was drafted with input from the Authority's conservation staff and was consulted on with senior management and team leaders. The following

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> <u>Historic Environment and Climate Change Sector Adaptation Plan</u>

partners were also consulted: Natural Resources Wales, Pembrokeshire County Council, the Wildlife Trust South and West Wales, and the Pembrokeshire Nature Partnership. *Restoring Nature* identifies work on which the National Park Authority intends to lead; again, delivery relies on collaboration with a range of partners at a local, regional and national level.

- 6. Mainstreaming actions from the two action plans within the Authority's annual Corporate and Resources Plan and performance framework will help ensure that impacts are monitored and that relevant actions are given due priority within the Authority's work. The action plans also provide context for reporting to the Operational Review Committee via the annual Archaeology Report and Conservation Land Management Report.
- 7. Both action plans are intended to be live documents and may be subject to annual light touch reviews. Formal review will take place in line with National Park Management Plan reviews.

#### **Financial considerations**

8. The action plans each include a 'resources' column. This column indicates where existing staff and budget resources are being used, and where additional funding may be needed. Where additional funding is needed this will provide an opportunity to identify or seek funding streams to support the action going forward.

#### Human Rights / Equality issues

- 9. The objectives and associated actions of the National Park Authority's Strategic Equality Plan were considered in preparing the Management Plan, for which an Equality Impact Assessment was prepared. Management Plan policy areas which were determined to have distinct equality aspects include planning policy, promotion, health and wellbeing initiatives, volunteering opportunities, access to rights of way, skills development and visitor experiences and participation.
- 10. The Equality Impact Assessment identified a number of considerations to be taken into account in any project or scheme design in support of the Management Plan and National Park purposes, including, therefore, those identified in the action plans. Actions mainstreamed within the Corporate and Resources Plan will be assessed through the integrated equality impact assessment of that plan.

#### **Compliance**

- 11. Each National Park Authority is required to prepare a five-yearly Management Plan (Environment Act 1995, section 66). In line with relevant legislation, a Sustainability Appraisal (incorporating Strategic Environmental Assessment), Equality Impact Assessment and Habitats Regulations Assessment were prepared and taken into account in drafting and finalising the National Park Management Plan 2020-2024.
- 12. The action plans support policy set out in the Management Plan and support the Authority's wider well-being objectives in relation to the Well-being of Future

Generations Act. This includes implementing the five ways of working (see the National Park Management Plan 2020-2024 and the current Corporate and Resources Plan for further detail).

13. Celebrating Heritage takes into account the Historic Environment (Wales) Act 2016 and other relevant legislation in preparation of the action plan and as a consideration during delivery. *Restoring Nature* takes into account the Environment (Wales) Act 2016, for example by supporting the Authority's biodiversity and resilience of ecosystems duty under section 6 of the Act.

#### <u>Risk</u>

14. Timescales for some activities may be extended due to potential impact of COVID-19 and recovery planning on their implementation. Priority may need to be given to actions where a delay would put grant funding at risk.

#### Welsh Language considerations

- 15. The Welsh Language (Wales) Measure 2011 and the Welsh Language Standards Regulations (No.1) 2015 apply to the National Park Management Plan 2020-2024, to the action plans at Annexes A and B, and to actions within them.
- 16. Welsh language impacts contained in the Sustainability Appraisal of the National Park Management Plan were highlighted in a separate document, *'Impacts of policy on the Welsh language. Extracts from the Sustainability Appraisal of the consultation draft Pembrokeshire Coast National Park Management Plan 2020-2024'* which was available as part of the suite of consultation documents. The consultation questionnaire also included a specific question on Welsh language.
- 17. The final action plans will be available in Welsh. Actions arising from the plans will be conducted in accordance with the Authority's Welsh Language statement.

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

# Members are invited to APPROVE *Celebrating Heritage* (Annex A to this report) and *Restoring Nature* (Annex B to this report), subject to any comments they may wish to make.

Background Documents

Pembrokeshire Coast National Park Management Plan 2020-2024 Pembrokeshire Coast National Park Authority Corporate and Resources Plan 2021-22 Sustainability Appraisal (incorporating Strategic Environmental Assessment) of the

Sustainability Appraisal (incorporating Strategic Environmental Assessment) of the National Park Management Plan 2020-2024

Equality Impact Assessment of the National Park Management Plan 2020-2024 Habitats Regulations Assessment of the National Park Management Plan 2020-2024

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#### **Consultees**

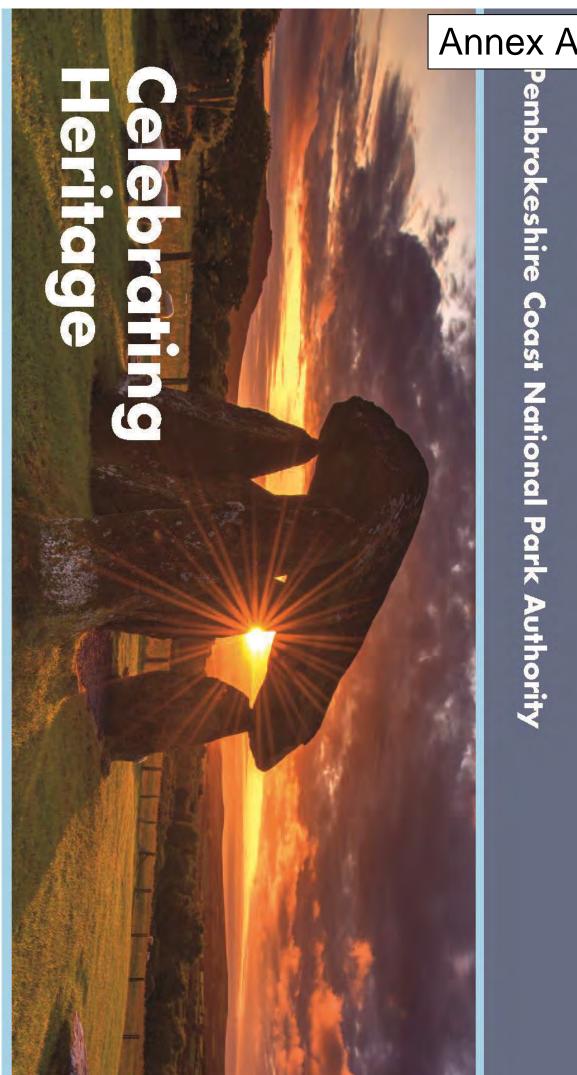
National Park Authority: Senior Management Team, Leadership Team, Performance and Compliance Coordinator, Park Direction staff.

Partner organisations: Cadw, Dyfed Archaeological Trust, Natural Resources Wales, Pembrokeshire County Council, Pembrokeshire Nature Partnership, Wildlife Trust South and West Wales



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## **Archaeology Action Plan**

This action plan should be read in conjunction with the <u>Pembrokeshire Coast</u> <u>National Park Management Plan 2020-2024</u>. It highlights priority actions relating to archaeology for the National Park Authority to 2024. The plan will be reviewed annually.

The principal lead for this action plan is the National Park Authority's Community Archaeologist. If you have any specific comments or matters relating to this action plan, please contact <u>archaeology@pembrokeshirecoast.org.uk</u>.

#### a) Priority Area: Community and Public Engagement

- Contributes to National Park Management Plan policy H1 a), b), c) and H2 a), b) and d) in particular.
- Contributes to the following National Park Authority Well-being Objectives: Culture (Work Streams: Historic Environment: Historic Buildings and Community Archaeology, Historic Inspiration and Experience, Heritage Partnership and Collaboration), Communities (Work Stream: Community Activities and Projects benefiting the Park and People) and Global (Work Streams: Special Qualities: Inspiration and Education, Responding to Climate Change Emergency).
- Contributes to the Historic Environment and Climate Change in Wales <u>Sector</u> <u>Adaptation Plan</u> actions 2.1, 2.2, 3.1, 3.2, 5.1, 6.1, 6.2, 6.3, 7.3 and 7.4.

#### **1.Heritage Guardians Scheme**

**Purpose:** This scheme aims to engage and involve students in archaeology and heritage within and adjacent to the National Park. This is delivered through a series of sessions, including site visits to well-known monuments and also less obvious forms of heritage.

**Outcome:** As a result of the programme, students will have a greater appreciation of archaeology and heritage and also issues facing these. Ultimately this will lead to greater chances of safeguarding heritage. This programme also results in greater levels of accessibility for students who might otherwise be unable to engage with archaeology and heritage.

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Action	Timescales	Resources	Status
Normally carry out	Programme will run	Officer time, officer	Underway.
the programme with	over the current	time from other	_
up to three	Management Plan	teams and	
educational	period (2020 – 2024).	archaeology	
institutions on an		resources,	
annual basis.		equipment and	
		material.	
Evaluate the pilot	To be evaluated and	Officer time, officer	Not
scheme that has	developed in	time from other	started.
been running	accordance with the	departments and	
between 2018 and	timescale for	participating	
2021 and develop the	development of	educational	
scheme as one of the	educational provision	institutions.	
National Park	more broadly in the		
Authority's	Authority and within		

educational strands to support the national curriculum. Evaluation to include consultation with educational institutions in Pembrokeshire to determine how they would like the scheme developed.	the current Management Plan period (2020 – 2024).		
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#### 2. Community Archaeology Projects

**Purpose:** To support archaeology and heritage based projects that are being led by other organisations, communities and/or members of the public. Including assisting with development and implementation of such projects.

**Outcome:** Increase public engagement with archaeology and heritage more broadly within and adjacent to the National Park. Help empower communities to actively engage with and manage archaeological and heritage assets within their areas. In addition, supporting community archaeology type projects will lead to management resilience, improved partnership working and safeguarding of monuments.

Action	Timescales	Resources	Status
Support up to three community archaeology projects per annum.	Projects will be supported as and when they occur over the current Management Plan period (2020 – 2024).	Officer time, officer time from other departments, archaeology budget and archaeology equipment and material.	Underway.
Develop community excavations and projects in partnership with other relevant organisations.	Joint community excavations and projects will be developed as and when they arise during the current Management Plan period (2020 – 2024).	Officer time, officer time from other departments, archaeology budget and archaeology equipment and material.	Underway.

#### 3. Archaeological Activities and Events

**Purpose:** To provide an opportunity for communities within and adjacent to the National Park and more broadly the public to engage with archaeology and heritage through activities and events, including the annual Archaeology Day, guided walks and talks.

Outcome: Increase public engagement of archaeology and heritage in the				
National Park including increased awareness, involvement and interest in these.				
Action	Timescales Resources Status			
Normally provide and/or	Walks will be Officer time, officer Underway		Underway.	
support	offered as part of an	time from other		

archaeology/heritage guided walks across the National Park area per annum. Including working with other National Park Authority teams and external providers to deliver these.	annual programme over the current Management Plan period (2020 – 2024).	departments and volunteers. In addition, resources required to run the event, such as venue and/or vehicle hire and any other material. Also, time and resources of external organisations where applicable.	
Deliver the annual Archaeology Day.	The event takes place every November and will continue to be delivered over the current Management Plan period (2020 – 2024).	Officer time, officer time from other departments, archaeology resources, PLANED staff time and resources and contributors time. In addition, venue hire and digital platforms and also any associated material for the event.	Underway.
Showcase the National Park's archaeology and heritage at shows and/or through talks up to four times per annum.	To be delivered on an annual basis and throughout the current Management Plan period (2020 – 2024).	Officer time, officer time from other departments and archaeological material and resources (where applicable).	Underway.
Develop digital and physical information and interpretation about the archaeology and heritage of the National Park as and when opportunities arise.	To be delivered within the current Management Plan period as and when opportunities arise (2020 – 2024).	Officer time, officer time from other departments and archaeology resources and material. Time and resources of external organisations (where applicable).	Underway.

#### b) Priority Area: Safeguarding Archaeological Monuments and Research

- Contributes to National Park Management Plan policy H1 a), b), c), g) and i) in particular.
- Contributes to the following National Park Authority Well-being Objectives: Culture (Work Streams: Historic Environment: Historic Buildings and Community Archaeology, Heritage Partnership and Collaboration) and Global (Work Streams:

Special Qualities: Inspiration and Education, Responding to Climate Change Emergency).

• Contributes to the Historic Environment and Climate Change in Wales Sector Adaptation Plan actions 2.1, 2.2, 3.1, 3.2, 3.3, 5.1, 6.1, 6.2, 6.3, 7.1, 7.3 and 7.4.

1. Safeguarding Archaeological Monuments				
	Purpose: To improve and safeguard the condition of monuments within the			
	National Park Outcome: The condition of monuments within the National Park is improved and			
		it of an effective managem		
Action	Timescales	Resources	Status	
Compile a database on the current condition of scheduled monuments within the National Park.	To be completed in the first quarter of 2020-2021.	Officer time with input from relevant Cadw officers and information.	Complete.	
Develop a monitoring form for assessing the condition of monuments during site visits, including an online submission form.	To be developed and implemented within the current Management Plan period (2020 – 2024).	Officer time with input from Cadw and those using the system including volunteers. Also, use of survey123.	Underway.	
Recruit and train volunteers and Authority staff to undertake monitoring visits of accessible monuments.	To be developed and implemented within the current Management Plan period (2020 – 2024).	Officer time and officer time from other departments. Archaeology resources and material, including equipment to support volunteers. Volunteer time.	Underway.	
Identify publicly accessibly sites and allocate these to volunteers to undertake visits to ascertain the condition of monuments and identify issues to be addressed.	To be completed within the current Management Plan period (2020 – 2024).	Officer time and officer time from other departments. Archaeology resources and material, including equipment to support volunteers. Volunteer time.	Underway.	
Site visit reports submitted by volunteers including any identified issues.	To be submitted on an ongoing basis during the current Management Plan period (2020 – 2024).	Officer time, volunteer time and relevant resources to make submission of reports.	Underway.	

Submitted reports	To be carried out	Officer time, officer time	Underway.
assessed and	on an ongoing	from other departments	_
programme of work	basis during the	and volunteer time and	
put in place to	current	use of archaeology	
address issues.	Management Plan	resources and material.	
	period (2020 –	Also, time of relevant	
	2024).	external organisations	
		and specialist	
		contractors (where	
		applicable).	

2. Heritage Watch Scheme						
Purpose: To safeguard archaeological, historical and heritage assets (including						
landscapes) within ar	landscapes) within and directly adjacent to the National Park from deliberate and					
unintentional damage	).					
Outcome: The numb	er of archaeological, histo	orical and heritage asse	ts			
(including landscapes	<li>within and directly adjace</li>	cent to the National Par	k			
deliberately and unint	entionally damaged are r	educed. Safeguarding a	and			
reporting measures a	re also strengthened.					
Action	Timescales	Resources	Status			
Develop and	To take place over the	Officer time, officer	Underway.			
implement a	current Management	time from other	_			
reporting	Plan period (2020 –	departments and key				
mechanism for the	2024).	partner				
scheme.		organisations.				
Provide heritage	To be provided on an	Officer time, officer	Underway.			
related training in	ongoing basis over	time of key partner	-			
connection with the	the current	organisations,				
scheme. Management Plan volunteer time. Also						
period (2020 – 2024). use of relevant						
		resources to deliver				
		training including				
		venue or equivalent.				
Develop and	To take place over the	Officer time, officer	Underway.			
implement a	current Management	time from other				
mechanism for	Plan period (2020 –	departments, key				
patrol/safeguarding	2024).	partner organisations				
assets at risk.		and volunteer time.				
Carry out remedial	To take place over the	Officer time, officer	Underway.			
work on affected	current Management	time from other				
assets.						
	2024) as and when partner organisations					
	required.	and volunteer time.				
		Use of material and				
		resources to				
		undertake work.				
Publicise the	To take place on an	Officer time, officer	Underway.			
scheme using press	ongoing basis over	time from other				
releases and the	the current	departments and key				
Facebook page.						

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Management Plan	partner	
period (2020 – 2024).	organisations.	

3. Archaeological Research	۱		
<b>Purpose:</b> To support and undertake archaeological research involving techniques such as excavations and surveys to increase understanding about			
archaeology, history and heri			
Outcome: Archaeology, histo			
National Park, leading to imp			
landscapes. In addition, publi area is enhanced.	ic enjoyment and	engagement of the Nati	ional Park
Action	Timescales	Resources	Status
Support archaeological excavations taking place within the National Park up to a maximum of four.	To take place over the current Management Plan period (2020 – 2024).	Officer time, officer time of other departments, volunteer time and archaeology equipment, material and financial support. Also time and resources of external organisations.	Underway.
Undertake and/or commission research within the National Park (where appropriate). Including consulting with relevant external organisations to identify research priorities and the Research Framework for the Archaeology of Wales.	To take place over the current Management Plan period (2020 – 2024) where appropriate.	Officer time, officer time of other departments, volunteer time and archaeology equipment, material and resources. Also time and resources of external organisations.	Underway.

4. National Policy	4. National Policy				
	nfluence national policy devel	opment on his	storic		
environment matters releva	int to the Park.				
	the historic environment with account within relevant nation		Park		
Action	Timescales	Resources	Status		
Develop guidance in	To take place on an	Officer	As and		
relation to relevant	ongoing basis over the	time.	when		
sections of the	current Management Plan		required.		
management plan.	period (2020 – 2024).				
Respond to relevant	To take place on an	Officer	As and		
consultations on	ongoing basis over the	time.	when		
legislation and policy at a	current Management Plan		required.		
national level.	period (2020 – 2024).				
Participate on strategic	To take place on an	Officer	Underway.		
working groups, for	ongoing basis over the	time.			

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example the Welsh	current Management Plan	
Government Historic	period (2020 – 2024).	
Environment Group and		
the National Parks UK		
Historic Environment		
Group.		

## Annex B

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# **Restoring Nature**



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### **Conservation Action Plan**

This action plan should be read in conjunction with the <u>Pembrokeshire Coast</u> <u>National Park Management Plan 2020-2024</u>. It highlights priority actions for nature conservation for the National Park Authority to 2024. The plan will be reviewed annually.

*Restoring Nature* was drafted with input from the Authority's conservation staff and was consulted on with senior management and team leaders. The following partners were also consulted: Natural Resources Wales, Pembrokeshire County Council, the Wildlife Trust South and West Wales, and the Pembrokeshire Nature Partnership. The action plan identifies work on which the National Park Authority intends to lead, however, delivery relies on collaboration with a range of partners at a local, regional and national level.

#### a) Priority Area: Managing Land for Nature

- Contributes to National Park Management Plan policies and impact areas L1 (d), E1 (a, b, c, e, f, l, n & o), N3 (b & c).
- Contributes to the following National Park Authority Well-being Objectives: Resilience (Conservation Land Management Service, Biodiversity & Connectivity Projects, Conservation Strategic Partnerships & Engagement, Looking after Trees in the Landscape, Engagement & Volunteering in looking after the Park's Ecosystems) and Global (Work Streams: Special Qualities: Inspiration and Education, Responding to the Climate Change Emergency).

#### 1.Conserving the Park

**Purpose:** Our aim is to support landowners to reinstate a network of wildlifefriendly corridors and to manage and enlarge the key wildlife habitats that make up the circulation system of our countryside. This will give species the chance to establish larger, more sustainable populations, and to create new ones.

**Outcome:** Bigger, better and more connected areas for wildlife in the National Park.

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Action	Timescales	Resources	Status
Conserving the Park Grant Scheme.	Current plan period and beyond.	<ul> <li>Conservation Officers</li> <li>Capital works and Management Agreement budget</li> <li>Warden team, Ranger Team</li> <li>Volunteers</li> <li>Contractors</li> </ul>	Underway.
Pembrokeshire Grazing Animals Network.	Current plan period and beyond.	<ul> <li>Conservation Officers, Farm Conservation Liaison Officer</li> <li>Wardens</li> </ul>	Underway.

Implement the Pembrokeshire Nature Recovery Plan.	Current plan period and beyond.	Biodiversity Implementation Officer post. This is supported by contributions from the National Park Authority and Pembrokeshire County Council. Currently part-funded by Welsh Government (funding expires in March 2022).	Underway.
Implement <i>Dawnsio</i> <i>ar y Dibyn</i> Sustainable Management Scheme project.	2021 start (to be confirmed).	Farm Conservation Liaison Officer, Conservation Officers	Not started.
Deliver the Make more Meadows scheme in Partnership with the Pembrokeshire Coast National Park Trust.	Current plan period.	Conservation Officers	Underway.
Support the delivery of the <i>Magnificent</i> <i>Meadows</i> project in Pembrokeshire.	2020-2022	Conservation Officers, Biodiversity Officer	Underway.

2. Resilient Commons			
Purpose: To support	the management o	f common land in the N	National Park
Outcome: Commons	form an integral pai	rt of high nature value a	agricultural
systems.			
Action	Timescales	Resources	Status
Annual cutting of firebreak network.	Current plan period and beyond.	Farm Conservation Liaison Officer	Underway.
Participate in the Pembrokeshire Wildfire Group (a sub-group of the Pembrokeshire Sustainable Agriculture Network).	Current plan period and beyond.	Farm Conservation Liaison Officer	Underway.
Commons Resilience Grants for fencing to facilitate	Current plan period.	Farm     Conservation     Liaison Officer	Underway.

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management.	Resilience Capital Fund
	(Welsh
	Government)

2 National Park Authority owned nature recorves					
3. National Park Authority-owned nature reserves Purpose: To manage, expand and share the network of nature reserves owned					
	by the National Park Authority.				
		making a significant cor	ntribution to		
		Sites are exemplars of			
		by local people and visite			
Action	Timescales	Resources	Status		
Sequestration for the Nation Project – strategic acquisition of land for carbon storage and nature conservation.	Current plan period and beyond.	Welsh Government's Sustainable Landscapes, Sustainable Places Funding 2020-21	Underway.		
Implement an annual programme of practical conservation management.	Current plan period and beyond.	<ul> <li>Biodiversity Officer</li> <li>Wardens</li> <li>Rangers</li> <li>Volunteers</li> <li>Site management budget (currently inadequate to allow for renewal of capital infrastructure).</li> </ul>	Underway.		
Buffer and enlarge existing sites of interest for nature conservation where the opportunity arises either through land purchase or lease.	Current plan period.	<ul> <li>Land purchase budget</li> <li>Capital for biodiversity enhancements.</li> <li>Biodiversity Officer</li> <li>Wardens</li> </ul>	Underway.		
Assess the impact of climate change and sea level rise on key sites (Carew and Freshwater East).	Current plan period.	<ul> <li>Biodiversity Officer</li> <li>£15k secured from Welsh Government</li> </ul>	Underway.		
Develop a communication and interpretation plan for our Nature Reserves.	Current plan period and beyond.	None. (Communications / Discovery would lead.)	Not started.		

#### 4.Traditional Boundaries

**Purpose:** To improve the length, condition and management of traditional field boundaries in Pembrokeshire Coast National Park by offering advice, training and grant support.

**Outcome:** There will be a revival of skills around the management, repair and maintenance of traditional field boundaries. The contribution made to ecological connectivity, landscape quality and the historic environment will be secured for the future.

Action	Timescales	Resources	Status
<i>Traditional Field Boundaries</i> grant scheme pilot.	June 2020 – February 2022	<ul> <li>Conservation Officers</li> <li>£40k Welsh Government Grant</li> </ul>	Underway
Seek funding to run full-scale grant programme for traditional field boundaries.	Following Year 1 of Pilot Project.	None. Links to Trees and Woodlands in the Landscape Project.	Project approved by Leadership Team.

5. Trees and Woodla	ands in the Lan	dscape		
Purpose: To support	the expansion a	ind management of trees	and woodlands in	
		ees, field trees, wood pas		
woodland.	g ererent at	μ		
	la anhanaamant	and management of was	dlanda and traca	
		and management of woo		
in the National Park,	increased habita	t connectivity and better	biodiversity	
outcomes.				
Action	Timescales Resources Status			
Trees and	2021/2022	None. Links to	Project approved	
Woodlands in the		Trees and	by Leadership	
Landscape Project.		Woodlands in the	Team.	
Landscape				
		Project.		
		Coed Cymru		

#### **Priority Area: Farming with Nature**

- Contributes to National Park Management Plan policies. W1 (e), E1 (a, b, e, o & p), N2 (a), N3 (a, b & c).
- Contributes to the following National Park Authority Well-being Objectives: Resilience (Conservation Land Management Service, Conservation Strategic Partnerships & Engagement) and Global (Work Streams: Responding to Climate Change Emergency)

#### 1. Greening Agriculture (one year pilot project)

**Purpose:** Work with dairy farms in the National Park to trial different approaches to enable farm businesses to reduce carbon through offsetting and reduction measures.

Outcome: Sustainable farm businesses and sustainable food production.				
Action	Timescales	Resources	Status	
Secure funding for pilot programme.	Current plan period.	None – £100k required.	Project submitted to Welsh Government.	
Monitor and input to the sustainable intensification agenda in Wales.	Current plan period.	Farm Conservation Liaison Officer	Underway.	

2. Welsh Government Sustainable Land Management Scheme			
Purpose: Support the design and delivery of the new Sustainable Land         Management Scheme for Wales.         Outcome: Sustainable farm businesses, sustainable food production and increased biodiversity on farmland.			
Action	Timescales	Resources	Status
Input to the design of the scheme for Wales.	Current plan period.	<ul> <li>Farm Conservation Liaison Officer, Conservation staff</li> <li>National Parks Wales</li> </ul>	Underway.
Support the promotion and delivery of the new scheme to ensure best outcomes.	To be confirmed.	<ul> <li>Farm Conservation Liaison Officer, Conservation staff</li> </ul>	Not started.

3. Sustainable Intensification			
Purpose: Monitor and	l input into the susta	inable intensification ag	enda in Wales.
Outcome: Sustainable increased biodiversity		sustainable food produc	tion and
Action	Timescales	Resources	Status
Input to and influence the sustainable intensification agenda in Wales and explore alternatives e.g. restorative agriculture.	Current plan period.	<ul> <li>Farm Conservation Liaison Officer, Conservation staff</li> <li>National Parks Wales</li> </ul>	Not started.

#### b) Priority Area: Threatened species

- Contributes to National Park Management Plan policy E1 (n).
- Contributes to the following National Park Authority Well-being Objective: Resilience (Biodiversity & Connectivity Projects, Engagement & Volunteering in looking after the Park's Ecosystems).

1. Threatened Species			
<b>Purpose:</b> Take action to secure the future of species for which the National Park has a special responsibility, species undergoing declines and species at risk of extinction in the National Park including those listed on Section 7 of the Environment (Wales) Act 2016.			
Outcome: The diversi safeguarded for future		rant species within the	National Park is
Action	Timescales	Resources	Status
Damsels in Distress project. Implement the prioritised programme of works for the enhancement of habitats for southern damselfly.	2020-2023	<ul> <li>Conservation Officers</li> <li>£10k capital funding secured</li> <li>Further funding required.</li> <li>Natural Resources Wales partnership grant / National Lottery Heritage Fund</li> </ul>	Underway.
Threatened butterflies project for brown hairstreak, marsh fritillary, small pearl-bordered fritillary and silver- studded blue.	Current plan period.	<ul> <li>Funding Officer</li> <li>Project funding required</li> <li>Natural Resources Wales National Lottery Heritage Fund bid (marsh fritillary, small pearl-bordered fritillary)</li> </ul>	Not started.
Review the Pembrokeshire Coast National Park Chough Strategy.	2021	Biodiversity Officer	Not started.

2. People, Paths and Pollinators Project (Lead – Delivery Team)				
Purpose: Managing the Pembrokeshire Coast Path National Trail to benefit				
pollinators and plant ar	pollinators and plant and insect species.			
Outcome: Biodiversity on the Coast Path is safeguarded and enhanced.				
People's enjoyment of the Coast Path is enhanced.				
Action	Timescales	Resources	Status	

Implement the People, Paths and Pollinators Project pilot.	Current plan period.	<ul> <li>Wardens, Pollinator Warden</li> <li>Volunteers</li> </ul>	Underway.
Roll out project to other areas of the Pembrokeshire Coast Path.	To be confirmed.	To be confirmed.	Not started.

#### c) Priority Area: Tackle key pressures on wildlife

- Contributes to National Park Management Plan policies L2 (a, b & c), W1 (f, o), W2 (b, c & d), E1 (c, g, m & r).
- Contributes to the following National Park Authority Well-being Objectives: Resilience (Biodiversity & Connectivity Projects, Engagement & Volunteering in looking after the Park's Ecosystems), Communities (Community Activities & Projects benefiting the Park & People) and Global (Work Streams: Special Qualities: Inspiration and Education).

1.Stitch in Time Project				
Purpose: Trial a cat	chment-based appro	each to the control of	f Japanese	
knotweed and Himal	ayan balsam in targe	et catchments in the	National Park	
Outcome: Invasive s model for control is a	•		0	
Action	Timescales	Resources	Status	
Stitch in Time Project (Gwaun, Porthgain, Clydach and Castlemartin catchments).	April 2019 to April 2022.	<ul> <li>Stitch in Time Project Officer</li> <li>Contractor works budget</li> <li>Wardens</li> <li>Rangers</li> <li>Volunteers</li> </ul>	Underway.	

2. Implement a Park-wide strategy for Himalayan balsam and Japanese knotweed control					
Purpose: To roll ou	ut the Stitch in T	ime approach Park-wide			
Outcome: Invasive is protected and enh	-	ntrolled and / or eradicated	and biodiversity		
Action	Timescales	Resources	Status		
Develop a prioritised Park- wide strategy for control.	2020	Biodiversity Officer	Not started.		
Survey for target species.	2020/2021	<ul> <li>Biodiversity Officer, Stitch in Time Project Officer</li> <li>Rangers</li> <li>Wardens</li> <li>Other Authority staff</li> </ul>	Not started.		

	2020/2024	Volunteers	Not started
Secure resources	2020/2021	External funding team	Not started.
for the Stitch in			
Time Project post-			
2022.			
3. Artificial Lighting			
	5 5	erable species and species	•
-		nx shearwater (vulnerable	also to ships'
lighting) and inverted			
	ighting as a fact	or affecting biodiversity in	the National
Park.	·		
Action	Timescales	Resources	Status
Produce and	Current plan	Health and Tourism	Underway.
promote	period.	Officer, Planning	
supplementary		Policy Officers,	
planning guidance		Conservation	
for Pembrokeshire		Officer	
on lighting for		<ul> <li>External funding</li> </ul>	
developments		team	
requiring lighting		Planning Ecologist	
schemes		<b>°</b>	
(Pembrokeshire		Pembrokeshire	
County Council and		Light Pollution	
Pembrokeshire		Partnership	
Coast National Park			
Authority).	2020/2022		Lindonwov
Engage with	2020/2022	Health and Tourism	Underway.
communities to		Officer,	
reduce unwanted		Conservation	
light.		Officer	
		<ul> <li>External funding</li> </ul>	
		team	
		Rangers	
		Pembrokeshire	
		Light Pollution	
		Partnership	
Promote good	2020/2022	Health and Tourism	Not started.
practice in regard to		Officer,	
lighting, with		Conservation	
enforcement where		Officer, Planning	
appropriate		Officers	
(focussing on			
installations		External funding	
		team	
intervisible with		Pembrokeshire	
Dark Sky Discovery		Light Pollution	
sites).		Partnership	

4. Participate in the prevention of wildlife crime					
		me Forum and Police Wildl	ife Liaison		
Officers to identify	and prevent wild	dlife crime.			
Outcome: Reduce	d wildlife crime.				
Action	Timescales	Resources	Status		
Attend the Rural	Current plan	Ranger Services Underway.			
Crime Forum.	period.	period. Manager			
Maintain liaison with local Police Wildlife Crime Officers.	period.ManagerCurrent plan period.• Farm Conservation Liaison Officer, Biodiversity Officer, Conservation OfficersUnderway.				

#### d) Priority Area: People taking action for wildlife

- Contributes to National Park Management Plan policy W2 (c).
- Contributes to the following National Park Authority Well-being Objectives: Resilience (Biodiversity & Connectivity Projects, Engagement & Volunteering in looking after the Park's Ecosystems), Communities (Community Activities & Projects benefiting the Park & People) and Global (Work Streams: Special Qualities: Inspiration and Education).

	1. Implement the Pembrokeshire Nature Recovery Plan					
	Purpose: Engaging a range of people in the delivery of the Pembrokeshire					
Nature Recovery Pla						
		onal Park and in Pembr				
		y and nature conservati				
Action	Timescales	Resources	Status			
Implement the	Current plan	Biodiversity	Underway.			
Pembrokeshire	period and	Implementation				
Local Nature	beyond.	Officer post. This is				
Recovery Plan.		supported by				
		contributions from				
		the National Park				
		Authority and				
		Pembrokeshire				
		County Council.				
		Currently part-				
		funded by Welsh				
		Government				
		(funding expires in				
		March 2022).				
Volunteer survey	Current plan	Conservation	Underway.			
of reptiles.	period.	Officers				
		Pembrokeshire				
		Reptile and				
		Amphibian				
		Group				
		Amphibian and				
		Reptile Trust				

		Volunteers	
Volunteer monitoring of marsh fritillary and southern damselfly.	Current plan period.	<ul> <li>Conservation Officer</li> <li>Volunteers</li> </ul>	Underway.
Support for Butterfly Conservation brown hairstreak surveys.	Current plan period and beyond.	Biodiversity     Officer	Underway.
Support for citizen science delivering data for conservation.	Current plan period.	<ul> <li>Conservation Officer, Biodiversity Officer</li> <li>Discovery Team</li> </ul>	Underway.

#### e) Priority Area: Survey, Monitoring and Research

- Contributes to National Park Management Plan policy W2 (c) and underpins impact areas under policy E1.
- Contributes to the following National Park Authority Well-being Objectives: Resilience (Conservation Land Management Service, Biodiversity & Connectivity Projects, Conservation Strategic Partnerships & Engagement, Engagement & Volunteering in looking after the Park's Ecosystems), Communities (Community Activities & Projects benefiting the Park & People) and Global (Work Streams: Special Qualities: Inspiration and Education, Responding to Climate Change Emergency).

#### 1.Habitat and Species Survey

**Purpose:** Conduct habitat and species surveys.

**Outcome:** Improved knowledge of the distribution of habitats and species within the National Park informing an evidence-based approach to conservation and planning.

conservation and planning.				
Action	Timescales	Resources	Status	
Support the West	Current plan	Service Level	Underway.	
Wales	period and	Agreement		
Biodiversity	beyond.	contribution		
Information				
Centre and utilise				
its expertise.				
Submit wildlife	Current plan	<ul> <li>Biodiversity</li> </ul>	Underway.	
records to West	period and	Officer,		
Wales	beyond.	Conservation		
Biodiversity		Officers		
Information		Wider Authority		
Centre.		staff		
Create a	Current plan	Biodiversity	Not started.	
grassland	period.	Officer,		

inventory for the		Conservation	
National Park.		Officers	
2. Monitoring			
Purpose: Condition	monitoring and tren	ids assessment.	
Outcome: Improved	knowledge of the c	condition and trends of	f habitats and
	ational Park informi	ng an evidence-based	l approach to
conservation.	1		
Action	Timescales	Resources	Status
Continue with long	Current plan	<ul> <li>Authority staff</li> </ul>	Underway.
term monitoring	period and	Volunteers	
projects for chough,	beyond.	Contractors	
barn owl, bats			
(Carew Castle) and			
skylark (St. Davids			
Airfield).			
Commission an	2021	Contractor. £10k	Not started.
external review of		identified as part of	
the long term		the Dawnsio ar y	
chough monitoring dataset.		<i>Dibyn</i> project	
	Current plan	Diadivaraity Officer	Lindonwov
Work with partners to safeguard long	Current plan period and	Biodiversity Officer	Underway.
term monitoring	beyond.		
projects within the	beyond.		
National Park (e.g.			
shelduck,			
seabirds).			
Support and input	Current plan	Biodiversity	Underway.
to the State of	period and	Officer,	
Wildlife in	beyond.	Conservation	
Pembrokeshire	,	Officers	
Report.			

3. Research				
Purpose: To improv	e of our knowledge	of nature in the Natio	nal Park and to	
inform our conservat	ion management ad	ctions.		
Outcome: An evider	nce-based approach	n to conservation.		
Action	Timescales	Resources	Status	
Commission research.	Current plan period and beyond.	Biodiversity Officer	Not started.	
Support others conducting research of interest in the National Park.	Current plan period and beyond.	Biodiversity Officer	Underway.	

Continue to support our university partnerships.	Current plan period and beyond.	Biodiversity Officer	Underway.
Adder radio- tracking in partnership with Amphibian and Reptile Conservation to investigate adder use of the coastal belt.	Current plan period.	£15k Funding required	Not started.
Further analysis of the chough monitoring dataset to identify factors affecting success (e.g. geology and landuse).	Current plan period.	£10k funding required	Not started.
Maintain contributions to the Milford Haven Waterway Environmental Surveillance Group.	Current plan period.	<ul> <li>Authority staff</li> <li>Annual contribution</li> </ul>	Underway.

#### 7. Priority Area: Marine Environment

- Contributes to National Park Management Plan policies W2 (c). E1 (g, h, I & m).
- Contributes to the following National Park Authority Well-being Objectives: Resilience (Conservation Strategic Partnerships & Engagement, Marine and Foreshore Environment) and Global (Work Streams: Special Qualities: Inspiration and Education, Responding to Climate Change Emergency).

1.Foreshore management				
Purpose: Suppor	rt integrated sust	ainable	e management of the	foreshore.
Outcome: Conse	rvation / enhanc	ement o	of foreshore, greater	awareness and
enriched visitor ex	periences of it.			
Action	Timescales	Reso	urces	Status
Support Natural	Current plan	• Bio	odiversity Officer	Underway.
Resources	period.	• Pe	mbrokeshire	
Wales in		Ma	arine European	
managing bait-		Ma	arine Site Officer	
digging in the		(vi	a contribution to	
intertidal and		Ře	levant Authority	
prevent damage		Gr	oup)	
to conservation			elsh Government,	
features of				

SSSIs and		•	Pembrokeshire	
Special Areas of Conservation.			Coastal Forum Community Interest Company (National Park Authority collecting information for seaweed permits and contributing knowledge to help inform a living resources layer on Wales Activity Mapping).	
Support the work of partners in delivering recreational management to protect coastal and marine wildlife and habitats.	Current plan period.	•	Research and Sustainability Officer, Health, Well-being and Tourism Officer Ranger Services team Pembrokeshire Marine European Marine Site Officer (via contribution to three Relevant Authority Groups) Contribution to Pembrokeshire Coastal Forum Community Interest Company	Underway.
With stakeholders, create a Foreshore Management Action Plan, with joint actions as members of the Public Services Board and collaborative site specific action plans for pressured locations.	Current plan period.	•	Head of Ranger Services Biodiversity Officer Pembrokeshire Marine European Marine Site Officer (via contribution to Relevant Authority Group) Contribution to Pembrokeshire Coastal Forum Community Interest Company	Underway.
Reduce waste and marine litter by reducing Authority use, contributing to beach cleans,	Current plan period.	•	Authority staff (e.g. Discovery team, Rangers) European Marine Site Officers (via	Underway.

and raising awareness.
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2. European Marin	2. European Marine Sites							
<b>Purpose:</b> Support European Marine Site management through financial contributions to actions undertaken for the Relevant Authorities Groups. This will also contribute to Wales National Marine Plan goals and the UK Marine Policy Statement.								
<b>Outcome:</b> Conservation / enhancement of features of European Marine Site, and greater awareness and enriched visitor experiences of them.								
Action	Timescales	Resources	Status					
Raise awareness of local marine wildlife and how our actions can impact upon essential marine ecosystems.	Current plan period and beyond.	<ul> <li>Authority staff (e.g. Discover team, Rangers)</li> <li>European Marine Site Officers (via contribution to three Relevant Authorities Groups)</li> <li>Membership of Marine Protected Area Management Steering Group</li> </ul>	Underway.					
Seek opportunities for joint working to improve water quality information and land management. Support expansion of water quality work from the Waterway to the open coast.	Current plan period.	<ul> <li>Direction team</li> <li>Pembrokeshire Marine European Marine Site Officer (via contribution to Relevant Authority Group)</li> <li>Pembrokeshire Coastal Forum Community Interest Company</li> <li>Other partners: Natural Resources Wales, Wildlife Trust South and West Wales, National Trust, West Wales Rivers Trust, Dŵr Cymru Welsh Water, PLANED.</li> </ul>	Underway.					

Work with partners to prepare a biosecurity plan for the Pembrokeshire Coast. Support awareness raising and reporting (e.g. Marine Code app).	Current plan period.	•	Partners including: Pembrokeshire Marine Relevant Authorities Group (includes the Port of Milford Haven), Milford Haven Waterway Environmental Surveillance Group, Pembrokeshire Nature Partnership and Pembrokeshire Coastal Forum Community Interest Company.	Underway.
Collaborate on marine pollution prevention, contingency planning and response.	Current plan period and beyond.	•	Head of Ranger Services (represents the Authority on Dyfed Powys Local Resilience Forum Counter Pollution Group (responsible for the contingency plans for the region). Biodiversity Officer - member of the Advisory Group for the Control of Major Accident Hazards sites in the Haven.	Underway.