



FOREST OF **BOWLAND**

Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty



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The Annual Report is of course our chance to look back over the last year's work for the Forest of Bowland AONB Partnership. However, I cannot avoid mentioning the present I find myself in whilst writing this report. These are very challenging and uncertain times, with COVID-19 impacting on so much of our everyday lives.



**County Councillor
Albert Atkinson**

*Chairman of the Forest of Bowland
AONB Joint Advisory Committee*

Amongst all this uncertainty, what has been very clear during lockdown restrictions is the importance people place on having access to the outdoors and nature, whether that is a simple walk in a park near home, or visiting special landscapes like AONBs.

The importance of these special landscapes and ensuring people have access to them was clearly articulated within the (Glover) Landscapes Review report published last year. In addition to people's access and enjoyment of the newly titled 'National Landscapes', the report outlined other proposals for how AONBs and National Parks might evolve and adapt to 21st century concerns, in particular addressing the twin crises of climate change and biodiversity loss.

I'm pleased to say that, as a Partnership, we are already delivering against many of the proposals the Landscapes Review report outlined, with projects and activity either already underway or in the pipeline. The following report will give you an insight into just some of this fantastic work being delivered by AONB partner organisations and also the AONB and Pendle LP teams based in Dunsop Bridge and Clitheroe.

We've seen further excellent progress with the Pendle Hill Landscape Partnership including improved access and information provision in Downham, new woodlands planted across the LP area and provision of a wider range of opportunities for people to engage with their landscape and local heritage; whether that's outdoor learning, training courses, creative events and engagement or volunteer groups working around the hill.

In other areas of Bowland, we've seen delivery of nature recovery work with peatland and hay meadow restoration continuing via the Northern England Peat Project, Pennine Peat LIFE and Bowland Hay Time. Excitingly, we're also now engaged in working closely with local farmers, testing how the Government's planned 'Environmental Land Management Scheme' might be able to support 'high nature value' farming in the AONB.

Clearly, there is still much in the Landscapes Review that is yet to be implemented and it will fall upon Government, Defra, Natural England, AONB Partnerships and National Parks to work together in the years ahead to consider how all the outlined proposals might be achieved. We very much look forward to engaging with this process.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading 'A. Atkinson'.

County Councillor Albert Atkinson

Infographic



90
hectares
of peatland habitat
restored



15ha
species-rich grassland
**conserved or
enhanced**



4,968
attendances at events

89
**farmers/
land managers**
engaged

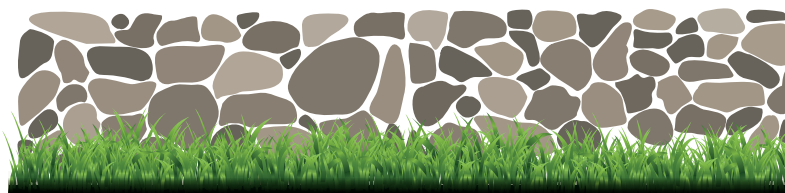
2,000+
young people engaged
through schools

2,700m
of overhead
power lines
REMOVED

312
volunteers
giving their time



105
planning
applications
appraised



77
businesses in our
Sustainable Tourism Network



2,156m
of hedgerow
managed or planted

19
partnerships
influenced



206m
of dry stone wall restored

An Outstanding Landscape of Natural and Cultural Heritage



The Hay Time Rescue project engaged volunteers and Kew Millennium Seed Bank to grow local, sustainably sourced seed into plug plants. 1,100 plants of three scarce species (globe flower, saw-wort and melancholy thistle) were then re-introduced in eight sites across the AONB, with over 16 hectares of meadows having restoration or enhancement work. Public events attracted 80 people, sharing seed collection and propagation knowledge with landowners within and outside the Forest of Bowland AONB, and educated school children on the importance of wild flowers.

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Five pairs of hen harriers settled on the United Utilities Bowland estate in 2019, all successfully fledging chicks and 22 making it into the skies. One has to go back to 2007 to find a year with more hen harriers fledging. All the hen harriers that were fitted with satellite tags in 2019 made it through the winter. Sadly, none of the young tagged birds from the 2018 season made it through to breed in 2019, with one bird being found shot dead on a shooting estate in Yorkshire.

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This year has seen the Pendle Hill Landscape Partnership restore 206m of dry stone wall at Pendleside, Thorney Bank and Hecklin farms on the slopes of Pendle Hill. The majority was carried out by master craftsman Peter Isherwood, with the remainder completed by volunteers under expert instruction from DSWA. We have also restored 2,156 m of hedgerow on six farms plus additional lengths at Clarion House and by Ribblesdale Young Farmers. Most hedges were laid in the traditional style, others were coppiced and some also re-planted.

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The AONB is a partner in the Northern England Peat Project restoring peat on several sites on the Abbeystead Estate. During 2019–20 with funding from Defra, and working with contractors Terra Firma, the project restored 11.13ha of bare peat, blocked 7.15km of gully and completed 9.22km of hag re-profiling on Hare Syke East and West. Almost 2,000 bags of brash were airlifted to site and will be used to stabilise existing peat and create a substrate for restoring vegetation.

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Highlights for 2019–20



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Throughout 2019 and 2020, Wyre Rivers Trust have been working on the Wyre Natural Flood Management project. Natural flood management is the use of natural processes to slow the flow of water. To do this the Trust have installed leaky dams, riparian buffer strips, hedgerows and offline storage areas. By storing water in the upper catchment, downstream water levels can be reduced, along with the flood peak. Much of the work has been carried out with the help of Wyre Coast and Countryside volunteers.

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OFGEM's UVA Programme to remove intrusive overhead power lines in the landscape has continued this year, with Electricity North West Ltd and the AONB Unit working jointly to complete four schemes in the Brennand and Dunsop valleys and in the Cross o' Greet area. These schemes have resulted in the removal of over 3,000 metres of 11kV power lines and 80 metres of low voltage lines from the AONB landscape.

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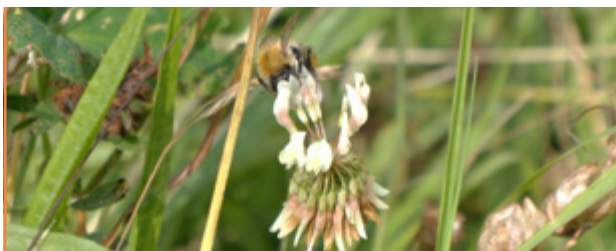
In 2019–20, the Environment Agency worked in partnership with Wyre Rivers Trust and Ribble Rivers Trust to improve fisheries in the AONB. Improvements were made to the culvert under the road from Dolphinholme to Abbeystead. The work involved fixing wooden baffles through the culvert bed to increase flow and depth, making it easier for fish to travel through the culvert. And at Mossthwaite near Newton, fencing and tree planting excluded livestock, providing niche habitat and shading for the River Hodder.

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Ribble Rivers Trust, as part of their Pendle Hill LP WINNS project, have been developing a new clough woodland along Twiston Beck, running northwards off Pendle Hill down towards Downham. The existing woodlands have been added to, and pockets of species-rich grassland protected. Five hectares of new woodland have been fenced and planted with 3,100 young native trees to create a strong linear pathway for biodiversity, and to reduce flood risk downstream. All of the trees were planted by volunteers and school children.

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Despite challenging weather, 29 volunteers surveyed 19 sites across the Yorkshire Dales and Forest of Bowland AONB as part of our Bee Walks. We recorded 2,110 bumblebees, of 11 species, including the scarcer bilberry bumblebee. Numbers were lower than previous years, but not at all sites – rather greatly reduced numbers at a few sites, which will be investigated this year. The wildflower meadows are providing quality forage for bumblebees and other invertebrates, with increased numbers in the traditional meadows over those intensively managed.

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Clarion House is a little bit of history tucked away under Pendle between Newchurch and Roughlee. It is the last of its kind: a tea room-cum-meeting place established by early socialists and built on a field purchased by a Community Land Trust. The land is almost as interesting as the building as it has not been farmed for over 100 years and retains a wealth of species. Supported and guided by the Pendle Hill LP, volunteers have been undertaking surveys, recordings and habitat management to conserve and enhance this wonderful place.

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An Outstanding Landscape of Natural and Cultural Heritage



Led by Mid Pennine Arts the Pendle Radicals project is researching and celebrating our radical heritage. A major project for 2019 was to curate and host an exhibition of protest banners within the old Brierfield Mill. In all 230 banners were sourced and lovingly hung by volunteers in the cold cavernous spaces of a mill about to be 'regenerated'. The exhibition was a huge success visited by 1,192 people over four weekends and serenaded by the People's Choir.

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During nine sessions in Lancaster, Ribble Valley and Wyre districts, 36 volunteers and trainees repaired 8m of dry stone wall and laid 245m of hedge. Slaidburn was the location for the Bowland leg of the annual Lancashire & Westmorland Hedge Laying Competition in February, when 14 competitors in five classes laid 80m of hedge on land just outside the village. Thanks go to volunteers and trainers and the landowners who accommodated us.

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The AONB has been working with the Ancient Tree Forum, Woodland Trust, Champion Bowland and the Yorkshire Dales Millennium Trust to highlight the role of 'ancient and veteran trees' in our landscape as part of an evolving Woodland, Forestry & Trees Strategy. Following a talk by the Ancient Tree Forum in October 2019, attended by 50 plus individuals, the AONB organised specific training in survey techniques for over 12 volunteers, with ancient tree expert, Luke Steer.

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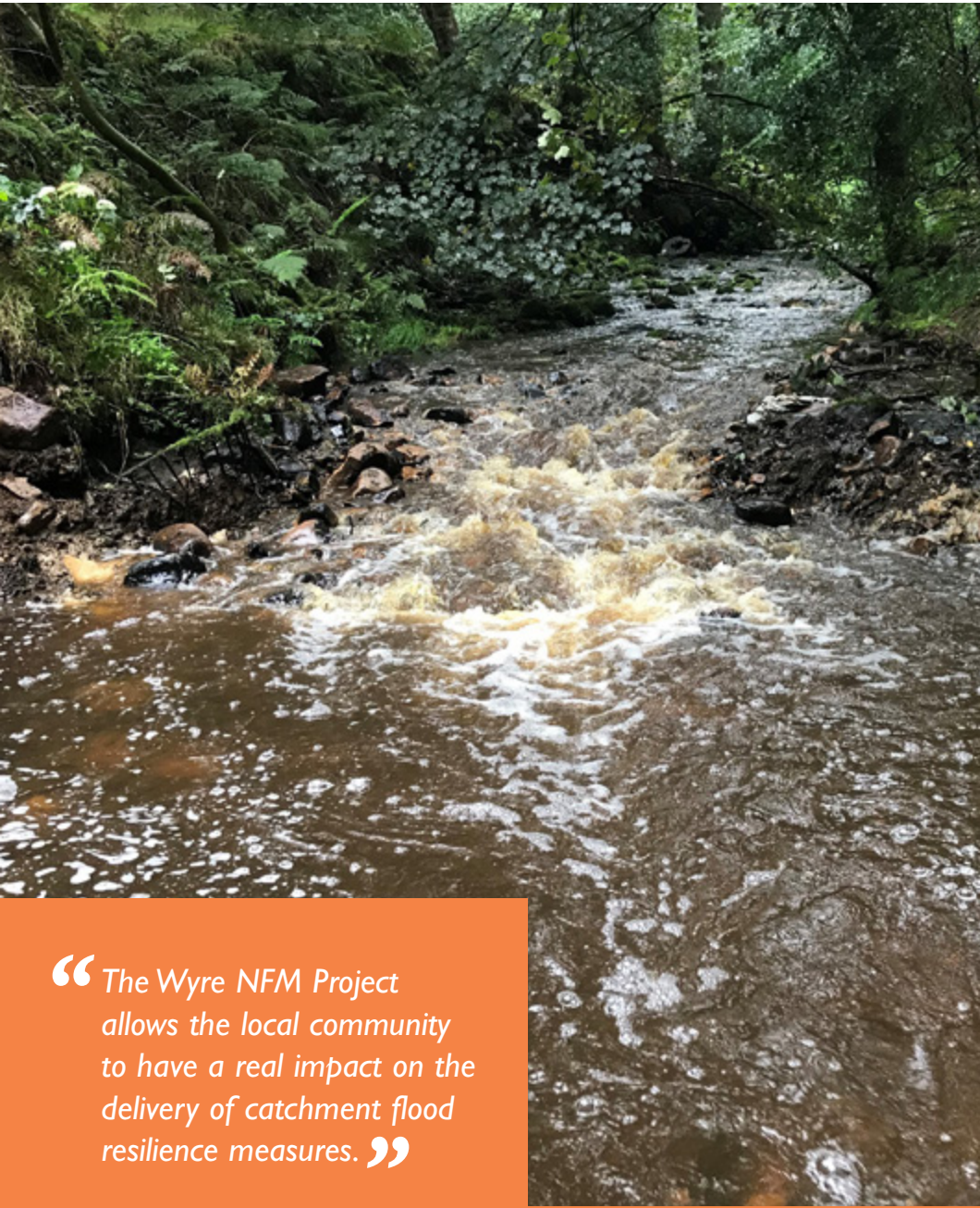


The AONB worked with Life for a Life and Wyre Borough Council's Coast and Countryside Service to restore the wildflower meadow at Scorton Picnic Site using a 'no graze' meadow management style. This mimics the traditional grazing cycle, keeping the sward short and open during the winter and spring, allowing the vegetation to grow over the summer and then cutting and removing the crop once the majority of species have set seed.

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An Outstanding Landscape of Natural and Cultural Heritage



“The Wyre NFM Project allows the local community to have a real impact on the delivery of catchment flood resilience measures.”

Natural Flood Management Measures in the Wyre Catchment

Focusing initial Natural Flood Management efforts on a sub-catchment within the Forest of Bowland AONB will allow the Wyre Rivers Trust to monitor the effectiveness of their interventions during high flows.

The Wyre Rivers Trust have had a productive year with significant work taking place within the Forest of Bowland. Thanks to the farmer engagement work put in over the last few years with Abbeystead Farmers' Group, we began installation of natural flood management measures near Abbeystead at a number of sites. The year started with the removal of a weir in Smithy Beck, which will aid fish passage and help restore the river to natural processes. This will allow natural movement of sediments in the river system helping to reduce erosion and allowing the river to flow unimpeded.

Shortly after, work began constructing leaky dams (around 70 have been built so far), helping to keep potential floodwaters in the uplands for longer so the lowlands are not inundated all at once. These dams have already shown their effectiveness with some storing 4–5m³ of water during Storm Ciara. The dams are a combination of untreated wooden boards with small slots cut out (the leaky aspect) and more natural-looking dams similar in appearance to a beaver dam, made from brash. Importantly, these dams do not

stop the normal flow of water, only holding excess water back during times of peak flow. To date, approximately 1.5km of watercourse has had dams installed.

The Trust has also planted over 1,400 individual trees as part of a 310m hedgerow, which will help to absorb surface runoff and the sediments it carries off fields during heavy rain. Along with the hedge, over a kilometre of fencing has been installed, enclosing watercourses to create a riparian buffer zone. Vegetation, relieved from grazing pressure, will become denser and help to stabilise the ground as well as improving absorbency of water, filtering sediments and pollutants, improving water quality and helping to slow the flow of water during high water conditions. This also has knock-on effects for biodiversity, both in the river and out. The increased vegetation provides food and habitat for a range of creatures and plants, as well as the hedge providing berries in the autumn.

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The annual sustainable tourism networking event was held on 10th February at Holmes Mill, attended by over 30 businesses. As well as launching the Discovery Guide, the event provides an opportunity for informal discussions alongside more formal presentations. These included an update from Champion Bowland and one of their grant recipients – the Lune Valley Swift Project, as well as business presentations from Mosswood Caravan Park talking about green initiatives and Goosnargh Gin with their links to the Bowland Hay Time project.

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Wyre Coast and Countryside Service volunteer teams carried out a wide variety of tasks this year. Activities in and around the AONB included balsam pulling in the Brock Valley; dry stone walling at Cobble Hey Farm; a new bird viewing screen and improved wildlife pond at Garstang Millennium Green; bank restoration on the River Calder and woodland management on Claughton Estate. They also helped to install numerous wooden dams along the upper River Wyre as part of Wyre Rivers Trust's NFM project.

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Pendle Hill Farmers' Group has 28 members with land covering 2,750ha. During this second year eight workshops focused on soil health including water quality, NFM, soil nutrients and invertebrate numbers, along with discussion and advice around future farming support, such as "payment by results" pilots and ELMS. Three mid-tier Countryside Stewardship applications were endorsed by the group's facilitator. One of the strengths of this scheme is the benefit offered to members through links with the Pendle Hill Landscape Partnership project.

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The Environment Agency has a role in regulating farms, to ensure that water courses are not impacted by pollution and they are always keen to support farmers to make improvements. Seven farms around Quernmore have recently installed earth banked lagoons, with three more in the planning system. Although these are sometimes not pretty to look at, they do grass over, and the ability for farmers to store more slurry will result in improvements to the water quality of the River Conder.

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Highlights for 2019–20



Resilient and Sustainable Communities



United Utilities is carrying out a major revamp of the seventy-year-old Haweswater Aqueduct which supplies drinking water to people in Cumbria, Lancashire and Greater Manchester. The proposed Haweswater Aqueduct Resilience Programme (HARP) begins in 2023 and includes replacing tunnel sections under central Bowland, Marl Hill and Waddington Fell. Preparatory work has already begun and the utility company attended the April and October meetings of the AONB Joint Advisory Committee to update members on progress.

Visit: www.unitedutilities.com/harp



The Pendle Hill Volunteers group meets twice a month to assist with a variety of habitat and access management tasks. Participants provided 194 days of volunteering this year and 107 new people were introduced to the scheme through the 'Get into Volunteering' initiative. In addition volunteers have been trained in wildflower identification, a variety of archaeology topics and skills, and in managing our promoted routes. 35 volunteers undertook hedge laying and walling training, with 10 earning their level 1 dry stone walling certificates.

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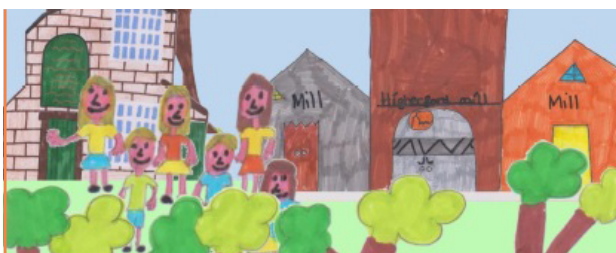
Working alongside Nidderdale and North Pennines AONBs the High Nature Value Farming in the Northern Upland AONBs project aims to help lay the foundations for agricultural support outside the EU; encouraging land management which benefits nature, whilst remaining resilient and profitable. The Forest of Bowland Environmental Land Management Test commenced in late 2019 with the appointment of consultant, Margaret Dickinson, to work with six farmers on the development of land management plans. Askham Bryan Colledge and Nethergill Associates will undertake farm business analyses.

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With funding from Natural England, the Ribble Rivers Trust has been facilitating meetings for farmers within the River Loud catchment. The focus during 2019 was on natural flood management, investigating how green infrastructure and soil management can not only help to reduce flood peaks and improve the environment, but how it can also benefit farm businesses through potential cost savings. The Trust is looking to collaborate with United Utilities in order to continue to support the farmers' group going forward.

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As part of the 'Discover Pendle Hill' sustainable tourism project the Pendle Hill LP will be creating four Treasure Trails around Pendle villages to inform and entertain family groups visiting the area. The first two were developed by Stuart Marshall this year with input from primary schools in Sabden and Barrowford, and they highlighted some of the hidden and familiar heritage within the villages. The leaflets were supported by local businesses who paid for advertising and stocked them for sale.

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The AONB continues to provide the secretariat to the registered independent charity, Champion Bowland. Grants in 2019–20 included: Scorton Parish Council for 'heritage' street lighting; Thornley Community Space; Keasden Head Farm Education Room and Lune Valley Swifts. Champion Bowland also administers a bursary that supports school visits in the Forest of Bowland. The organisation has been successful in securing a grant from the National Lottery Heritage Fund which will pay for a professional fundraiser to assist Champion Bowland to identify future funding.

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High Nature Value Farming in the Northern Upland AONBs

Ahead of the Government's new Environmental Land Management Scheme, local farmers are helping to shape proposals for sustainable agriculture which benefits the environment whilst remaining economically strong.

Part of the National Association for AONBs', Farming for the Nation programme, this Defra-funded 'Test' aims to develop data and evidence to inform and influence the development of the Government's new Environmental Land Management scheme. ELM will be based on offering 'public money for public goods' – rewarding farmers and land managers for the public benefits (or ecosystem services) arising from the management of their land.

The project is researching how best to encourage high nature value farming in the northern upland AONBs of the Forest of Bowland, Nidderdale and North Pennines; whilst also ensuring that farming in these areas remains resilient and profitable.

The Forest of Bowland ELM Test commenced in late 2019 with the appointment of consultant, Margaret Dickinson, to act as an 'ELM Test Advisor', working closely with six Bowland farmers to develop and design simple

'land management plans' on which new Environmental Land Management schemes will be based:

Margaret has initially been meeting the farmer participants to understand their ambitions and their concerns in relation to the new ELM schemes as proposed. She has also been making visits to the respective farms to 'audit' the natural capital assets on the landholdings and gathering other environmental data to begin the process of identifying how these farms might be rewarded for their management of these assets.

In parallel, Askham Bryan Rural Business Research Unit and Nethergill Associates have been commissioned to carry out farm business analyses with the participating farms to investigate how any future environmental land management identified can complement and ideally enhance the farm business in terms of profitability.

The Test is one of 14 in AONBs across England, working collaboratively to regularly feedback to Defra with the experience and knowledge gained from this experimental work. The Test expects to conclude in spring 2021 to inform the next phase in the roll-out of ELM, with pilot schemes planned to commence later in 2021.

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“We're keen that future schemes offer a step change in nature recovery but also work for the farm businesses in Bowland.”

A Strong Connection between People and the Landscape

Highlights for 2019–20



This year's Discover Bowland guide includes a five day itinerary taking in the four corners of the AONB; a seasonal look at the area's wildlife; a spotlight on Bowland's distinctive villages and a whole range of articles which shed light on some of the people and projects which make this area so special. The guide is also the home of the latest Festival Bowland events programme, listing everything from wildflower walks and guided bird watching to art exhibitions and children's nature activities.

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The Pendle Hill Fund – part of the Pendle Hill LP scheme – awarded £22,780 to six heritage and landscape community projects in 2019/20. They included rural skills training for young farmers; an oral history project to preserve dialect poetry; renovation of traditional signposts and improvements on the Martholme Greenway project. In addition, a local Rotary Club was awarded funds to help provide trips to the countryside for less advantaged children locally, and a pond was restored in Spring Wood.

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Wyre Council's Great Outdoors programme included 48 walks and activities in the Bowland area, attracting over 350 customers. The events ranged from health walks and wildlife rambles to Trumper treks and conservation work. Many were included within the Festival Bowland calendar. During May Garstang Walking Festival, organised by the Friends of Garstang Walking Festival and Wyre Council, attracted 618 attendances on 49 different activities over a nine day period. This popular festival attracts both local and regional participants alongside visitors from across the country.

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A major construction project to create a new route linking the villages of Chatburn and Downham has been completed as part of the Pendle Hill LP Access for All project. This 1km concessionary route is designed to take walkers, cyclists and horse riders off the busy lane. Despite poor weather, investigations for evidence of a Roman road and the Coronavirus lockdown, the route is now open. A new hedge has been added to provide for biodiversity, courtesy of the Downham Estate.

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A Strong Connection between People and the Landscape



The Pendle Peat Pie was developed by artist Kerry Morrison of In-Situ, working with our Wildlife & Farming officer, Sarah Robinson, and chef, Andy Dean. Kerry wanted to find a way to interpret the value of peat, a crucial feature of the hill for biodiversity, climate change mitigation and flood prevention. Her peat pie is soon to be launched at local eateries, together with an explanation of how its edible structure reflects the real thing, and why we need to conserve it.

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PHLP Community Engagement Officer, Jayne Ashe, working with Lancashire Care (NHS Foundation Trust) organised 24 sessions for the People Enjoying Nature project which offers outdoor activity to people dealing with mental health and social isolation issues. Over 100 people have enjoyed the project so far, and there were 236 attendances this year. Sessions included foraging, artistic activities, helping hedgehogs and wildflowers, guided walks, learning about archaeology and trying dry stone walling and hedge laying. Thanks to Little Green Bus for providing transport.

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From moorland bird spotting and bluebell teas to Trammer treks and meadow workshops, the Festival Bowland programme delivered 88 events generating over 2,400 attendances. September's Foodie Foray and February's Dark Skies Festival are becoming highlights, helping to showcase local businesses and offer events "out of season". Once again, the success of the festival was down to the volunteers, countryside staff, landowners and local enthusiasts who planned and delivered such a varied programme. Our thanks go to them all.

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Supported by the Ernest Cook Trust charity, our Outdoor Learning Officer, Alison Cross, continues to run a variety of activities across Pendle Hill. This year has seen attendance at Little Saplings under 5s outdoor play reach over 1,000 and 20 schools have joined in 49 curriculum based outdoor learning sessions. We also organised popular family activities in the school holidays providing fun learning activities such as butterfly identification, owl pellet dissection, archaeology skills and discovering the Pendle radicals.

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Our promoted routes continue to be monitored by a network of volunteers who also carry out small scale repairs and maintenance. The Pendle Lengthsman has completed a package of work, replacing stiles with gates and repairing stone stiles. Lancashire County Council PROW team continue to replace wooden finger posts in key locations around the AONB. Partnership work with Lancashire Ramblers is providing a meaningful review of Access Land infrastructure and four updated boards have been produced for Abbeystead Estate.

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Working with Lancashire County Council's Heritage Learning Team, a collection of countryside-themed resources has been gathered together as part of the council's Memory Box scheme. Bowland's Great Outdoors box has been filled full of objects and activities designed to spark recollections, stimulate the senses and encourage conversation amongst older people, including those living with dementia. Family members, support groups and professional carers will be able to borrow the box free of charge from local libraries.

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A Strong Connection between People and the Landscape



“Alison and the volunteers make the events really enjoyable with fun activities, freedom to explore, plus a chance to explore new areas.”

Outdoor Learning in the Pendle Hill Landscape Partnership

Awakening and embedding a love of the natural world, whilst building knowledge, skills and understanding, is all part of the Pendle Hill Landscape Partnership's Outdoor Learning strand.

This has been thanks to national education charity, The Ernest Cook Trust, funding an Outdoor Learning Officer, Alison Cross, for the Heritage Lottery Funded-programme.

Alison has delivered family events at a range of sites throughout the LP area, including Spring Wood, Whalley; Victoria Park, Nelson; Whitehough Outdoor Centre, Barley and the Clarion House near Roughlee. Attendees are from a variety of backgrounds and locations within the project area, which has resulted in families discovering a new place to explore in their own time. These events improve knowledge of, and appreciation for, countryside and heritage, which leads to local people taking positive action for wildlife and their landscape. Families have since revisited these sites and expanded their interest in natural history and local heritage.

The Little Saplings Forest School ethos sessions have been running for over 18 months, with regulars loving the different, themed activities. Due to their success, the locations have been extended to include Barley Wildlife Discovery Site and Gawthorpe Hall woodland, near Padiham. These sessions encourage and inspire an early interest in wildlife for children and families. This allows Alison

to educate about nature and how to respect and play within it, helping to create a more environmentally aware generation.

Alison has also worked with local schools to deliver aspects of the Pendle Hill project with different year groups. In early 2020, three Ribble Valley schools helped the Ribble Rivers Trust plant saplings as part of a woodland creation project. Pupils took part in national curriculum outdoor lessons and learnt about the importance of planting trees for fish. These schools will then receive additional help to embed outdoor learning within their settings. Plans include a local history and geography trip to Barley, river studies at Roughlee and plant identification lessons within school grounds. The legacy will be to encourage teachers to deliver these local school trips independently in the future, and to improve confidence in teaching the national curriculum within an outdoor setting. Research into supplying nature investigation kit boxes, to help those schools who do not have access to these resources, is currently being carried out.

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Membership of the Joint Advisory Committee and Financial Summary 2019/20

Actual 2019/2020
(Out-turn prices) £'s

Lancashire County Council

County Councillor A Atkinson
County Councillor S Charles
County Councillor S Turner

North Yorkshire County Council

County Councillor R Welch

Craven District Council

Councillor S Handley

Lancaster City Council

Councillor K Frea

Wyre Borough Council

Councillor J Ibison

Ribble Valley Borough Council

Councillor Mrs R Elms

Preston City Council

Councillor J Browne

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Ramblers Association

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Champion Bowland

Mr M Pugh

Friends of Bowland

Ms M Pilkington

Moorland Association

Vacant

EXPENDITURE

Core Costs

Salary, N.I. and Superannuation	204,331.30
Out-based premises	21,795.45
Travel and subsistence	6,998.49
Central, Departmental & Tech. Support (LCC)	71,107.29
Partnership costs	20,634.14
SUB TOTAL OF CORE COSTS	324,866.67

Non Core Costs

Projects	74,062.96
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TOTAL EXPENDITURE	398,929.63
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INCOME

Government Grants

Defra Grant	222,837.00
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Contributions

United Utilities	6,800.00
Other project contributions	11,155.34

County Councils

Lancashire	40,800.00
North Yorkshire	5,430.00

District Councils

Craven	6,800.00
Lancaster	6,800.00
Pendle	6,800.00
Preston	6,800.00
Ribble Valley	6,800.00
Wyre	6,800.00

TOTAL INCOME RECEIVED	327,822.34
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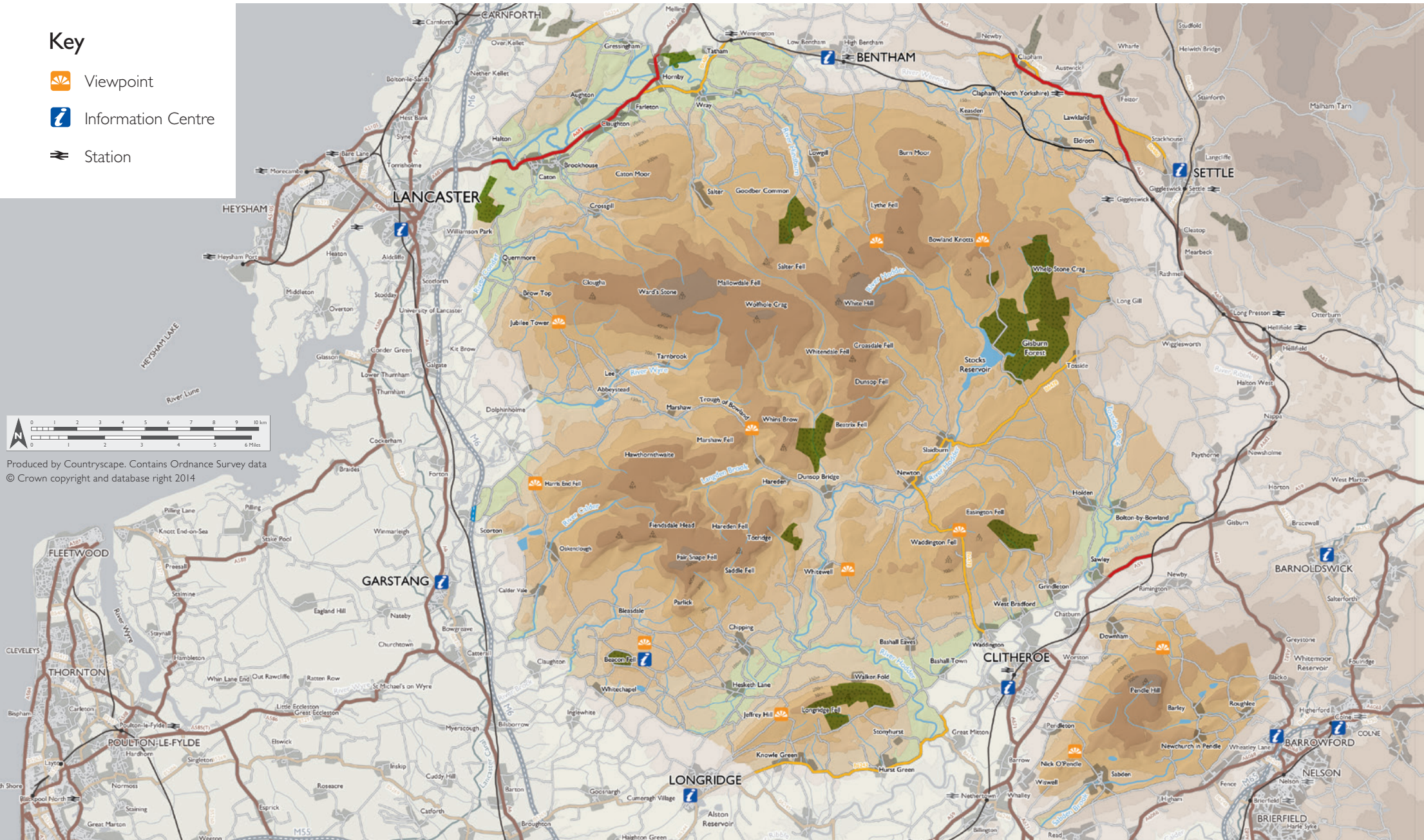
Lancashire County Council	71,107.29
	398,929.63

The Terms of Reference of the Joint Advisory Committee are available at
www.forestofbowland.com/Joint-Advisory-Committee

Map of the Forest of Bowland AONB

Key

-  Viewpoint
-  Information Centre
-  Station



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