



# INFRASTRUCTURE OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

## *Committee Report*

**Public**

**Date of Meeting:** 22nd January 2009

**Title:** NORTH PENNINES AONB MANAGEMENT PLAN 2009-14

**Report of:** Head of Planning and Housing Services

**Report reference:** DS.06/09

### **Summary:**

This report provides Members with an update on the preparation of the North Pennines AONB Management Plan for the period 2009-14

### **Questions for / input required from Scrutiny:**

Members are to consider their input into the process towards adoption of the Management Plan

### **Recommendations:**

The views of Infrastructure Overview and Scrutiny Committee are reported to Executive

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Note: in compliance with section 100d of the Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985 the report has been prepared in part from the following papers: Executive Report DS.05/09; North Pennines AONB Management Plan 2009-14 Consultation Draft

## **1.0 Background**

- 1.1 At the time of preparing this report a Paper is scheduled to be reported to the Executive Meeting of the 19<sup>th</sup> January on the North Pennines AONB Management Plan. The recommendation is to refer the item to Infrastructure Overview and Scrutiny Committee for its meeting on the 22<sup>nd</sup> January.
- 1.2 A North Pennines AONB Management Plan was adopted in 2004 and is required to be reviewed by the end of March 2009. The Management Plan covers many issues not only related to planning but also including land management and wildlife management to ensure that the landscape quality for which the area is designated remains. The North Pennines AONB occupies a small part of the eastern part of the district and is jointly managed by the North Pennines AONB Partnership which includes neighbouring local authority representation in Cumbria, Northumberland and Durham.
- 1.3 The City Council has a statutory duty to prepare a Management Plan which it devolves in partnership to the AONB Partnership. However each individual authority has responsibility to adopt the Management Plan. The report DS.05/09 contains more detail and the appendix includes a draft of the new Management Plan. In order to adopt the Management Plan before the end of March 2009 the relevant City Council meeting is 3<sup>rd</sup> March.
- 1.4 A consultation has been undertaken and a report on responses to that consultation and changes to the draft is currently being prepared. This will not be available until the beginning of February. There is no further Infrastructure O&S Committee scheduled to consider that detail and Members of this committee are therefore requested to consider how they wish to input into this programme of work having regard to the current available information.

**APPENDICES TO  
DS.06/09 – NORTH PENNINES AONB MANAGEMENT PLAN 2009-2014**

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