

APPENDIX A: ISLE OF WIGHT NATIONAL LANDSCAPE

AREA OF OUTSTANDING NATURAL BEAUTY MANAGEMENT PLAN 2025-2030

DELIVERY PLAN

Our Vision: ‘The Isle of Wight AONB will remain a beautiful, thriving landscape cared for and appreciated by all’



**Isle of Wight
National
Landscape**
Delivering the AONB Management Plan

This Delivery Plan accompanies the AONB Management Plan 2025 – 2030. It has been devised by the National Landscapes team and wider Partnership and ratified at its Steering Committee. Together these documents provide a mechanism to annually monitor and measure progress of all partners towards delivering the strategic objectives of the AONB.

In assembling the Delivery Plan the Partnership has sought to include a range of actions and projects that contribute to the AONB policies, but can also be easily measured without becoming a bureaucratic burden. The list is therefore not comprehensive and the role played by all its partners is acknowledged, whether or not identified within the Plan.

Whilst the Management Plan covers a five year period the Delivery Plan is focused on priority actions and associated projects likely to be delivered in the immediate 2-3 years. These actions and projects are classed as ‘Doing’, ‘Planned’ and ‘Wish’. Where ‘Planned’ the Lead Partner has indicated the proposed partners, start year, and where possible a means of measuring progress. These may change prior to commencement. ‘Wishes’ have been included where there is a project and lead partner, but no current means of delivery. The usual restriction in this case would be lack of funds. Other actions, where there are currently no defined projects or lead partner, have been excluded from the Delivery Plan, even as wishes, however, they remain recorded in the Management Plan as priority actions.

The Delivery Plan can be accessed through the Wight AONB website www.wightaonb.org.

It will be updated on an annual basis following the Wight AONB AGM. At the AGM attendees will be able to review both progress and priorities for the coming years.

Abbreviation	Organisation	Abbreviation	Organisation
Team	National Landscape team	ACE	Arts Council England
AGG UK	Aggregates UK Ltd	BC	Butterfly Conservation
BOWFC	Back of the Wight Farmer Cluster	CAIW	Community Action IW
CEP	Cultural Education Partnership	CI	Creative Island
CycleW	Cyclewight	CLA	Country Land and Business Owners Association
DEFRA	Department for Environment, Farming and Rural Affairs	CPRE	Campaign for the Protection of Rural England
DI	Dinosaur Isle	CWO	Creative Ways Outdoors
EA	Environment Agency	Heritage Groups	Various Heritage Groups
EYPG	East Yar Project Group (Farmer Cluster)	IA	Independent Arts
FC	Forestry Commission	IWCSF	Isle of Wight Catchment Sensitive Farming initiative
NHLF	National Heritage Lottery Fund	IWC	Isle of Wight Council
NLA	National Landscapes Association	IWC Cons & Design	Isle of Wight Council Conservation and Design Section
IWC Roads	Isle of Wight Council Roads Contract Managers	IW Society	Isle of Wight Society
IWLRC	Isle of Wight Local Records Centre	IWC Her	Isle of Wight Council Heritage Service
IWC Arch	Isle of Wight Council Archaeology and Historic Environment Section	IR	Island Roads
IWC PP	Isle of Wight Council Planning Policy	LAF	Local Access Forum
IWC RoW	Isle of Wight Council Rights of Way Section	NLA	National Landscapes Association
IWBP	Isle of Wight Biodiversity Partnership	NE	Natural England
LGAP	Local Geological Action Plan	NFU	National Farmers Union
NCC	New Carnival Company	LNP	Hampshire and Isle of Wight Local Nature Partnership
NEnt	Natural Enterprise	PTES	Peoples Trust for Endangered Species
NT	National Trust	QA	Quay Arts
Partnership	All National Landscape Partners	RIWAS	Royal IW Agricultural Society
Ramblers	Isle of Wight Ramblers Association	RBM Group	Reddish Buff Moth Group
SERFCA	South East Reserve Forces & Cadet Association	SWFC	South Wight Farmer Cluster
TCS	The Common Space	SSE	Scottish and Southern Electricity
TPCs	Town and Parish Councils	SW	Southern Water
VIOW	Visit Isle of Wight	SV	Southern Vectis
WT	Hampshire & Isle of Wight Wildlife Trust	UKMAB	UK Man and Biosphere
WL	Wilder Learning	VE	Ventnor Exchange
WRH	Wight Rural Hub	VAS	Vectis Astronomical Society

TOPIC	ACTION	Objective	Policy	PROJECTS / ACTIVITIES	PROJECT LEAD	OTHER PARTNERS	DOING/ PLANNED/ WISH	MONITOR
Core	Develop, review, prepare and publish the National Landscape vision and the CRoW Act AONB Management Plan	O1		Man Plan review	Team	Partnership	P	5 yrs
Core	Raise awareness of the National Landscape, promote the National Landscape vision and AONB Management Plan	O3		Wolverton Fair, events, social media, website	Team	Partnership	D	Annual
Core	Advise upon, facilitate and co-ordinate implementation by others of the Targets and Outcomes for the Protected Landscape management Plans (see below)	O1		Local Nature Recovery Strategy, IWNL Nature Recovery Plan, PL Targets and Outcomes	IWC PP, IRiv, VIOW	CLA, NE, EA, IWBP, NFU, CPRE	D	Annual
Core	Advise Local Authorities and other partners on their activities within IW National Landscape, to encourage them to attain the highest possible standards	O6		IPS, LNRS, LGAP / RIGS	IWC, DI	Southern Vectis, Island Roads, RIWAS, CEP	D	Annual
Core	Monitor and report on progress against AONB Management Plan activities and projects	O5		Steering Group, AGM	Team	NT, EA, NE, WT, NEnt, VIOW	P	Annual
Core	Monitor AONB landscape condition	O5		IWLRC projects	Team / IWLRC	IWBP, WT, IR, NT IWC DM	P	Annual
Core	Access resources for management activities	O2		Core / Project funding	Team	NE, IWC, NHLF, EA, NLA, DEFRA, ACE	D	Annual
Core	Work with and contribute to the National Landscape Association activities, sharing advice and best practice nationally and regionally	O3		National Conference	Team	NLA	D	Annual
Core	Provide a management role to co-ordinate National Landscape protection through the actions of the National Landscape team, the National Landscape Partnership and other partners at a local and strategic level.	O2		IWNL and Partner Project Steering Groups and Forums	Team	SERFCA, LAF, BC, PTES, NT, WT, IWC, LNP, UKMAB, FC	D	Quarter
Core	Develop greater involvement by the community in the management and monitoring of the AONB	O3		Parish updates and reports, environmental education and outreach	Team	TPC's, Schools, WL, CAIW	D	Quarter
Core	Provide landscape-related planning advice	O4		Planning / Minerals / Waste / Roads/ SSE	Team	IWC Cons & Des IWC PP IWC Roads, AGG UK	D	Quarter
Core	Produce Climate Change Adaptation Plan	O1,O4, O5		Mission Zero	Team	NL Partnership	P	Quarter
Project	Celebrate access and cultural heritage of IW National Landscape and Heritage Coast	O2, O3		Arts Council funded projects	Team	CWO, IA, TCS, CI, WL, VE, QA, NCC	D	Annual
Project	Promote responsible access to the National Landscape and deliver Access for All fund outputs	O3		Access for All Fund	IWC, Team	WT, NT, VIOW, CycleW, Ramblers	D	Quarter
Project	Deliver support to farmers and landowners including promotion and delivery of the new environmental land management scheme and Farming in Protected Landscapes programme	O1, O2		Farmer Clusters / Hedging Comp / Wight Rural Hub / IWEFG	Team / IWNL LAP	NE, EYPG, SWFC, BOWFC, WRH	D	Quarter
Project	Support initiatives to help farmers and landowners increase sympathetic management of the National Landscape	O3, O6		LNRS opportunities / AONB NRP targets and outcomes	Team / IWLRC	NE, EA, SW, NFU, CLA, IR. NEnt	D	Quarter
Project	Support interpretation, conservation and recording of IW archaeology and historic environment	O3				IWC Arch	W	Quarter
Project	Support objectives of the Compton Bay and Downs Project	O1, O2,)3		CB&DP	NT	IWC, IR, NE, TPCs	P	Annual

Isle of Wight AONB Contribution to DEFRA Targets and Outcomes for Protected Landscapes in England

The Protected Landscapes have received their high level targets for nature recovery from DEFRA in the Targets and Outcomes Framework (for 2025 – 2030). Our contribution to this initiative can be achieved by adopting the targets in the IWAONB Nature Recovery Plan (quoted below) and our first review is due this year (2024).

Habitat	Maintain (ha)	Fav condition (ha)	Restore / create (ha)
Woodland	871	352	130
Lowland Meadow	119	101	132
Heath and Acid grass	148	126	15
Calcareous grassland	626	532	190
Maritime cliff and slope	51km		5 km
Wetlands	294	294	
Shoreline / coastal	426		15

The areas of the AONB where these might be achieved are illustrated on the following maps and closely align with the Isle of Wight Local Nature Recovery Strategy



