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To: All Members of the Exmoor National Park Authority

The Annual Meeting of the Exmoor National Park Authority will be held in the **Committee Room, Exmoor House, Dulverton** on **Tuesday, 2nd June at 10.00am.**

The meeting will be open to the press and public subject to the passing of any resolution under s.100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972.

There is Public Speaking at this meeting, when the Chairperson will allow members of the public two minutes each to ask questions, make statements, or present a petition relating to any item relevant to the business of the Authority or relating to any item on the Agenda. Anyone wishing to ask questions should notify the Democratic Support Officer as soon as possible, or at the latest by 4pm on the working day before the meeting of the agenda item on which they wish to speak, indicating a brief summary of the matter or matters to be raised (contact Committees@exmoor-nationalpark.gov.uk).

The meeting will be **recorded**. By entering the Authority's Committee Room and speaking during Public Speaking you are consenting to being recorded. We will make the recording available via our website for members of the public to listen to and/or view, within 72 hours of the meeting taking place.

Members of the public may use forms of social media to report on proceedings at this meeting. Anyone wishing to film part or all of the proceedings may do so unless the press and public are excluded for that part of the meeting or there is good reason not to do so. As a matter of courtesy, anyone wishing to film proceedings is asked to advise the Chairperson so that those present may be made aware.

(The agenda and papers for this meeting can be downloaded from the National Park Authority's website www.exmoor-nationalpark.gov.uk).

Sarah Bryan
Chief Executive

As set out above, the Authority welcomes public engagement with its work and believes that everyone attending a meeting of Exmoor National Park Authority or one of its Committees has the right to be treated with respect and to feel safe at all times, including before, during and after the meeting they attend.

The Authority understands that some situations can be difficult and lead to frustration; however, the Authority is committed to promoting an environment where everyone feels listened to and respected and is not subjected to unacceptable behaviour. Further guidance is provided in our Customer Notice, available on our [website](#).

A G E N D A

1. Election of Chairperson

2. Election of Deputy Chairperson

3. Apologies for Absence

4. Declarations of Interest

Members are asked to declare any interests they may have in relation to items on the agenda for this meeting.

5. Chairperson's Announcements

6. Minutes (1) To approve as a correct record the Minutes of the meeting of the Authority held on 5th May 2026 (Item 6).

(2) To consider any Matters Arising from those Minutes.

7. Business of Urgency: To introduce any business which by reason of special circumstances the Chairperson, after consultation with the Chief Executive, is of the opinion should be considered as a matter of urgency and to resolve when such business should be ordered on the Agenda.

8. Public Speaking: The Chairperson will allow members of the public to ask questions, make statements, or present a petition. Questions of a general nature relevant to the business of the Authority can be asked under this agenda item. Any questions specific to an agenda item can be posed when that item is considered subject to the discretion of the person presiding at the meeting.

9. Annual Appointments – To consider the report of the Chief Executive (Item 9)

10. Personnel Update:

Starters: Eve Malster – 13/5/2026 – Pioneers Assistant Engagement Ranger

Lucie Hazell – 1/6/2026 - Access and Recreation Project Officer

Leavers: None

11. Members' Reports: To receive any updates and reports on meetings or events attended by Members as representatives of Exmoor National Park Authority.

Further information on any of the reports can be obtained by contacting the National Park Authority at the address and telephone numbers at the top of the agenda. Details of the decisions taken at this meeting will be set out in the formal Minutes which the Committee will be asked to approve as a correct record at its next meeting. In the meantime, details of the decisions can be obtained from the Democratic Support Officer, at Exmoor House.

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MINUTES of the Meeting of the Exmoor National Park Authority held on Tuesday, 5 May 2026 at 10.00am in the Committee Room, Exmoor House, Dulverton.

PRESENT

Miss A V Davis (Chairperson)
Mr R Milton (Deputy Chairperson)
Mr L Baker
Mr A Bray
Mrs M Chilcott
Mr D Elson
Mr W Geen
Mr J Holtom
Mr R Hopley
Dr M Kelly
Mr M Kravis
Mrs F Nicholson
Mr S J Pugsley
Mrs F Smith
Mr N Thwaites
Miss L Williams
Dr S Warren

Apologies for absence were received from: Mr T Butt-Philip, Mr M Ellicott, Mr J Patrinos, Miss E Stacey, Miss C Strom

90. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST: There were no declarations of interest.

91. CHAIRPERSON'S ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- Condolences were given to former Member John Edwards, his wife, Jackie Edwards, recently passed away.

92. MINUTES

- Confirmation:** The **Minutes** of the Authority's meeting held on 7 April 2026 were agreed and signed as a correct record.
- Matters arising:** There were none.

93. BUSINESS OF URGENCY: There was no business of urgency.

94. PUBLIC SPEAKING: There were no public speakers.

95. CAPITAL PROJECTS 2026/27: The Authority considered the **report** of the Chief Finance Officer.

The Authority's Consideration

The Authority welcomed the report outlining the £1.4million capital allocation from DEFRA for 2026/27. DEFRA have given indicative allocations for the Capital Departmental Expenditure Limit (CDEL) for 2027/28 and 2028/29 also.

The capital programme will provide a compliant, robust, strategic framework in support of the Corporate Plan and National Park Management Plan to sustain core services and deliver shared priorities for the protected landscape of Exmoor National Park.

An approach is being taken to report and budget at a programme level approach with 5 themes; Asset Renewal and Infrastructure (£600,000), Natural Environment and Habitat (£400,000), Heritage and Landscape (£200,000), Operational Efficiency and Digital (£100,000), and Access and Visitor Experience (£100,000).

Robin Milton left the meeting at 10.20am

In response to queries raised by Members of the Committee, the following clarification was provided:

- Challenges delivering schemes and compressing capital expenditure into a single financial year were recognised. With building on experience, Officers were confident in the ability to spread programmes and project resilience into subsequent years.
- Savings generated through Spend to Save projects would be quantified wherever possible.
- Projects will be monitored by Leadership Team and Delivery Team and reported back to Members on a quarterly basis as part of ongoing budget monitoring.
- Any significant changes in allocations across themes would be referred to Members for approval, and they welcomed the clarity of this report.

RESOLVED:

- (1) APPROVE the Capital Programme for 2026/27 as summarised in Section 4.
- (2) AGREE that delivery of individual schemes will be managed within approved programme allocations, rather than through approval of individual projects.
- (3) NOTE that progress and expenditure against the programme will be reported to the Authority during the year.
- (4) NOTE the anticipated outturn on capital projects for 2025/26 in Section 8.

- 96. EXTERNAL AUDIT ARRANGEMENTS:** The Authority considered the report of the Chief Finance Officer

The Authority's Consideration

Members were presented with the Bishop Fleming External Audit Plan for 2025/26 Financial Year. Craig Sullivan, Partner at Bishop Fleming was in attendance to present the plan and to answer questions.

There was a discussion which included the following points:

- Materiality thresholds are set at 2% of gross expenditure, as this is the first year of audit with Bishop Fleming, performance materiality is set at a lower threshold and will be used to assess the quality of the accounting statements and to raise and notify any errors or misstatements.
- In terms of the assessment of Value for Money, Members were advised that funding changes and associated risks, are mitigated with organisational controls and processes, accounting checks and appropriate governance.

RESOLVED:

- (1) To RECEIVE the External Audit, Audit Plan at Appendix 1.

- 97. STANDARDS COMMITTEE MINUTES:** The Authority received and noted the **Minutes** of the Meeting held 7th April 2026.

The Authority's Consideration.

Members asked for clarity from DCC legal representation, Standing Orders and the Standards Committee regarding the 3 working days' notice, which is requested if making a substitute to attend the Planning Committee.

A Study Tour was taking place for Members on 11th June in Porlock and Winsford.

It was noted that elections in May 2027 would be held for all parishes, local and district councils.

<p>RESOLVED: To RECEIVE and note the draft Minutes of the Standards Committee Meeting held on 7th April 2026.</p>

- 98. PERSONNEL UPDATE:** The Authority noted the recent staff changes.

99. MEMBERS' REPORTS:

- The Chairperson thanked Dominic Elson for his many years of service and active engagement, his tenure ending in May 2026 as Secretary of State appointee to ENPA.

The meeting closed at 10.50 am

(Chairperson)

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ANNUAL APPOINTMENTS

Report of the Chief Executive

Purpose of the report: In accordance with Standing Orders to set out the annual appointments to be made to the Authority's statutory Committees, partnership boards, working groups and external organisations.

RECOMMENDATION: To make appointments as listed in the Appendix to this report, or as agreed by the Authority.

Authority priorities: The Authority's annual appointments are central to the achievement of each of the Management Plan and Corporate Plan priorities.

Legal and equality implications: The meetings and proceedings of a National Park Authority are regulated by local government law as if the National Park Authority was a local authority. The equality impact of the recommendations of this report have been assessed as having no adverse impact on any particular group or individual.

Financial and risk implications: No significant financial implications have been identified.

Climate change implications: This report does not have an adverse impact on our ability to respond to climate change.

1. Introduction

1.1 At its Annual Meeting, the Authority makes appointments to its statutory Committees and to the various partnership boards, working groups and external organisations as are necessary to carry out the work of the Authority.

2. Appointments to Committees, Partnership Boards, Working Groups and Outside Bodies

2.1 Appendix 1 includes a schedule of the Authority's statutory Committees (i.e. Final Accounts Committee, Planning Committee, Standards Committee and Exmoor Local Access Forum), as well as the various partnership boards, working groups and external organisations to which Member appointments are required to be made.

2.2 The Appendix also sets out the 2025/26 appointments and the expressions of interest received from Members in appointment/reappointment for 2026/27.

2.3 The Authority is recommended to consider and agree appointments in accordance with this schedule.

Sarah Bryan
Chief Executive
May 2026

MEMBER APPOINTMENTS: 2026/27

Statutory Meetings	2025/26 Appointments	2026/27 - Expressions of Interests
<p>Final Accounts Committee - The Committee comprises at least 5 Members of the Authority (with a maximum of 11), of whom at least one shall be a local authority Member and at least one shall be a Member appointed to the Authority by the SoS. The Members shall be the Chairperson of the Authority (who shall preside at meetings) and the Deputy Chairperson of the Authority and at least 3 Members chosen by the Authority.</p> <p>The Committee will meet annually to receive and approve the annual Statement of Accounts in accordance with statutory deadlines. Committee Members will meet at regular intervals as the Finance & Performance Advisory Panel with the Chief Executive, Head of Enterprise & Operations and Head of Climate, Nature & Communities to maintain a detailed overview of the financial position, overall performance and management of risk within the Authority; the membership of the Panel to comprise (but not be limited to) the Members of the Final Accounts Committee.</p>	<p><u>Chairperson of the Authority</u> <u>Deputy Chairperson of the Authority</u></p> <p>Mr A Bray (Parish) Mrs M Chilcott (SC) Mr M Ellicott (Parish) Mr B Geen (Parish) Mrs F Nicholson (SC) Mr S J Pugsley (SC) <i>Miss E Stacey (SoS) – vacancy 26/27</i></p>	<p><u>Chairperson of the Authority</u> <u>Deputy Chairperson of the Authority</u></p> <p>Mr A Bray (Parish) Mr M Ellicott (Parish) Mr B Geen (Parish) Mrs F Nicholson (SC) Mr S J Pugsley (SC)</p>
<p>Planning Committee - The Committee comprises 12 Members of the Authority. The Members shall be:</p> <p>4 Somerset Council Members; 1 Devon County Council Member; 1 North Devon District Council Member; 3 Parish Members; and 3 Secretary of State appointed Members.</p> <p>The Committee shall exercise the Authority’s functions as sole local planning authority and minerals and waste authority for the area of Exmoor National Park Authority; the Authority’s delegated and other functions in relation to footpaths and bridleways under relevant legislation conferring order-making functions on the Authority; as hazardous substances authority under the Planning (Hazardous Substances) Act 1990; and to consider and report to the Authority on any matter delegated to it by the Authority. Meets as required.</p>	<p>Mr A Bray (Parish) Mr T Butt Philip (SC) Mr B Geen (Parish) Mr J Holtom (Parish) Mr R Hopley (DCC) Dr M Kelly (SoS) Mrs F Nicholson (SC) Mr J Patrinos (NDC) Mr S J Pugsley (SC) Mrs F Smith (SC)</p> <p><i>2 x Secretary of State vacancies: Mr D Elson Miss E Stacey</i></p>	<p>Mr A Bray (Parish) Mr T Butt Philip (SC) Mr B Geen (Parish) Mr J Holtom (Parish) Mr R Hopley (DCC) Dr M Kelly (SoS) Mrs F Nicholson (SC) Mr J Patrinos (NDC) Mr S J Pugsley (SC) Mrs F Smith (SC)</p>
<p>Standards Committee - Comprises 5 Authority Members of whom at least one shall be a local authority Member and at least one shall be a Member appointed to the Authority by the SoS.</p> <p>The general functions of the Committee are to promote and maintain high standards of conduct by members and officers; to assist members to observe the Code of Conduct; and to consider and determine complaints against members under the Code of Conduct and keep an overview of other complaints received by the Authority. Meets as required, at least twice a year including shortly after the Authority AGM to appoint a Chairperson and Deputy Chairperson.</p>	<p>Mr M Ellicott (Parish) Mr J Patrinos (NDC) Mr S J Pugsley (SC) Mr N Thwaites (Parish) <i>Miss E Stacey (SoS) – vacancy 26/27</i></p>	<p>Mr M Ellicott (Parish) Mr J Patrinos (NDC) Mr S J Pugsley (SC) Mr N Thwaites (Parish)</p>

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Statutory Meetings	2025/26 Appointments	2026/27 - Expressions of Interests
<p>Exmoor Local Access Forum (Lead Officer: Dan Barnett, Access & Recreation Manager)</p> <p>The Forum provides advice to Exmoor National Park Authority and others on how to improve public access for the purposes of open-air recreation and the enjoyment. It has a remit to advise on and identify potential for strategic programmes, projects, policies and provides an arena within which to raise strategic issues, exchange ideas and share good practice and experiences. Meetings are open for members of the public to attend.</p> <p><i>Includes 2 Authority Members and meets twice a year.</i></p>	<p>Mr A Bray (Parish) Mr N Thwaites (Parish)</p>	<p>Mr N Thwaites (Parish)</p>
External Consultation Groups	2025/26 Appointments	2026/27 - Expressions of Interests
<p>Exmoor National Park Forum (Lead Officer: Sarah Bryan Chief Executive)</p> <p>The Exmoor National Park Forum is an informal event, aimed at people who live and work on Exmoor and anyone with an interest in the National Park. It will be a chance to get together and hear more about the work of Exmoor National Park Authority. Meets twice a year.</p>	<p>Chaired by Authority Chairperson or Deputy Chairperson.</p> <p>* All Authority Members invited to attend.</p>	<p>Chaired by Authority Chairperson or Deputy Chairperson.</p> <p>All Authority Members invited to attend.</p>
Partnership Boards and Working Groups	2025/26 Appointments	2026/27 - Expressions of Interests
<p>Exmoor Historic Environment Advisory Group (Lead Officer: Rob Wilson-North, Head of Access, Engagement & Estates).</p> <p>The Group is a <i>Partnership Plan Group</i> and reviews current issues, opportunities, work and research relating to the Historic Environment on Exmoor.</p> <p><i>Comprises representatives from partner organisations, public, private and voluntary sectors and 2-3 Authority Members.</i> Meets twice a year.</p>	<p>Mr J Holtom (Parish) Dr M Kelly (SoS) Mr S J Pugsley (SC)</p>	<p>Mr J Holtom (Parish) Dr M Kelly (SoS) Mr S J Pugsley (SC)</p>
<p>Exmoor Learning and Engagement Network (Lead Officer: Ben Totterdell, Learning & Engagement Manager).</p> <p>The Network brings groups, projects and individuals together who have a role in delivering learning and engagement work in Exmoor. It promotes and enables the sharing of best practice, support for partnership working and influencing of strategic actions among both Exmoor National Park Authority and our Partners.</p> <p><i>Comprises representatives from partner organisations and up to 4 Authority Members.</i> Meets as required.</p>	<p>Mr T Butt Philip (SC) Mrs F Smith (SC) Dr S Warren (SoS) <i>Mrs C Lawrence (SC) – vacancy 26/27</i></p>	<p>Mr L Baker (SC) Mr T Butt Philip (SC) Dr S Warren (SoS)</p>

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<p>Exmoor Moorland & Farming Board (Lead Officers: Alex Farris, Natural Environment Manager and Heather Harley, Farming & Land Management Officer).</p> <p>The group is a <i>Partnership Plan Group</i> and works with land managers to help deliver the Partnership Plan and supporting them over changes in agri-environment policy and funding.</p> <p>Comprises 4 Members plus people nominated by other organisations with a particular interest in Exmoor's moorlands and farmlands. Meets twice a year.</p>	<p>Mr L Baker (SC) Mr B Geen (Parish) Mr J Holtom (Parish) Mr R Milton (NDC)</p>	<p>Mr L Baker (SC) Mr G Geen (Parish) Mr J Holtom (Parish) Mr R Milton (NDC)</p>
<p>Exmoor Nature Conservation Advisory Panel (Lead Officer: Ali Hawkins, Senior Ecologist).</p> <p>The group is a <i>Partnership Plan Group</i> with a key role to lead in the development and delivery of a Wildlife Delivery Plan to take forward the wildlife ambition in the Exmoor National Park Partnership Plan and deliver the Nature Recovery Vision for Exmoor.</p> <p>Comprises representatives from partner organisations and up to 5 Authority Members. Meets twice a year.</p>	<p>Mr B Geen (Parish) Mr J Holtom (Parish) Mrs F Smith (SC) Dr S Warren (SoS) Miss L Williams (SoS)</p>	<p>Mr B Geen (Parish) Mr J Holtom (Parish) Mrs F Smith (SC) Dr S Warren (SoS)</p>
<p>Exmoor Woodland and Forestry Advisory Group (Lead Officer: Graeme McVittie, Senior Woodlands Officer)</p> <p>The group is a <i>Partnership Plan Group</i> with a key role to lead in the development and delivery of the Exmoor National Park Partnership Plan, to develop and steer a Tree and Woodland Strategy for Exmoor and to consider and comment on other tree, woodland, forestry and timber related issues in the National Park.</p> <p>Comprises representatives from partner organisations and up to 2 Authority Members. Meets as required.</p>	<p>Mr N Thwaites (Parish) <i>Mr D Elson (SoS) – vacancy 26/27</i></p>	<p>Mr A Bray (Parish) Mr N Thwaites (Parish) Dr S Warren (SoS) Miss L Williams (SoS)</p>
<p>Equity, Diversity & Inclusion Oversight Group (Lead Officers: Clare Reid, Head of Climate, Nature & Communities, Ben Totterdell, Learning & Engagement Manager, and Ellie Woodcock, HR Officer).</p> <p>To support delivery of the Corporate Plan action to review and update the Authority's approach to Equality, Diversity and Inclusion and take positive action to support this. This work will also link in with the Organisational Development process.</p> <p>The group will include officers from across the organisation, plus at least 2 and up to 4 Members. Meets at least 3 times a year.</p>	<p>Mr T Butt Philip (SC) Mr J Patrinos (NDC) Dr S Warren (SoS) Miss L Williams (SoS) <i>Mr D Elson (SoS) – vacancy 26/27</i></p>	<p>Mr T Butt Philip (SC) Mr J Patrinos (NDC) Dr S Warren (SoS) Miss L Williams (SoS)</p>

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<p>External Funding Working Group (Lead Officer: Dan James, Enterprise & Communications Manager).</p> <p>The group is a joint Member/Officer task force to help develop and implement strategy and approach to securing external project funding. Comprises relevant Leadership and Delivery Team Members and 3-4 Authority Members. Meets as required.</p>	<p>Mr A Bray (Parish) Mr M Ellicott (Parish) Miss L Williams (SoS) Miss E Stacey (SoS) – vacancy 26/27</p>	<p><u>This group will cease to exist – So no EOI required</u></p>
<p>FiPL Assessment Panel (Lead Officer: Alex Farris, Natural Environment Manager)</p> <p>The Panel considers applications over the value of £10,000 to the Farming in Protected Landscapes programme. The Panel is required to meet at least every 8 weeks and may meet as often as every 4 weeks. The Panel is set up for the duration of the FiPL programme which ends in March 2029. Comprises 3 Authority Members plus people nominated by other organisations with a particular interest in Exmoor's farming and ecology.</p>	<p>Mr J Holtom (Parish) Mr R Milton (NDC) Dr S Warren (SoS) <i>Mr D Elson (SoS)(leaving May 2026)</i></p>	<p>3 Members required for 2026/26</p> <p>Mr A Bray (SC) M Mr R Milton (NDC) Mr J Holtom (Parish) Dr S Warren (SoS)</p>
<p>Planning Policy Advisory Group (Lead Officer: Ruth McArthur, Policy & Community Manager).</p> <p>The Advisory Group assists Officers in relation to the preparation of the Local Plan and other planning policy documents to guide the development and use of land and inform decisions on planning applications and appeals it the National Park. The group also considers national consultations, and key socio-economic issues for the local community. Meets as required.</p> <p><i>Formal membership of the group is made up of the Chairperson and both Deputy Chairpersons of the Authority, and up to 7 appointed Authority Members, however the meetings are open to all Authority Members to attend if they wish.</i></p>	<p><u>Authority Chairperson</u> <u>Authority Deputy Chairperson</u> <u>Planning Committee Chairperson</u> Mr A Bray (Parish) Mr M Ellicott (Parish) Mr B Geen (Parish) Mr J Holtom (Parish) Dr M Kelly (SoS) Mrs F Nicholson (SC)</p>	<p><u>Authority Chairperson</u> <u>Authority Deputy Chairperson</u> <u>Planning Committee Chairperson</u> Mr A Bray (Parish) Mr M Ellicott (Parish) Mr B Geen (Parish) Mr J Holtom (Parish) Dr M Kelly (SoS) Mrs F Nicholson (SC)</p>
<p>Rural Enterprise Exmoor Group (Lead Officer: Dan James, Enterprise & Communications Manager).</p> <p>A Partnership Plan Group overseeing the sustainable economy priority alongside representative views of Local Authorities and business networks. Provides an advisory role in overseeing progress with the Rural Enterprise Exmoor Vision. Comprises 2 Authority Members – 1 from each side of the county boundary. Meets as required.</p>	<p>Mr A Bray (Parish) Miss A V Davis (DCC)</p>	<p>Mr A Bray (Parish) Miss A V Davis (DCC)</p>

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Appointments to Outside Bodies	2025/26 Appointments	2026/27 - Expressions of Interests
<p>UK National Parks Chairs Forum (Lead Officer: Sarah Bryan, Chief Executive) NPUK as a formal entity was wound up in 2021, however a ‘Chairs Forum’ involving all 15 UK Chairs continues to meet at least once or twice a year. The Chairs along with the UK CEOs continue to have sight of the work carried out by NPUK Communications Unit based with the Broads Authority.</p>	<p><u>Authority Chairperson</u> <u>Authority Deputy Chairperson</u></p>	<p><u>Authority Chairperson</u> <u>Authority Deputy Chairperson</u></p>
<p>Campaign for National Parks (Lead Officer: Sarah Bryan, Chief Executive) The Campaign for National Parks is a national charity that campaigns and speaks out to protect and promote National Parks. 1 Member representative.</p>	<p>Miss L Williams</p>	<p>Miss L Williams</p>
<p>Exmoor Hill Farming Network (Lead Officer: Heather Harley, Farming & Land Management Officer) The Network helps livestock farmers to improve the profitability of their businesses, including the development of strategic projects as well as encouraging access to support and funding. 1 Member representative.</p>	<p>Mr M Ellicott (Parish)</p>	<p>Mr M Ellicott (Parish)</p>
<p>Exmoor Landscape Advisory Group (Lead Officer: Julie Layzell – Future Landscapes Officer) Chaired by the Exmoor Society to provide independent input to the Authority on landscape issues, the group also acts as a <i>Partnership Plan Group</i> with a key role in the development and delivery of relevant action plans in the Exmoor National Park Partnership Plan. The group is a partnership of landscape specialists, planners and managers and reviews landscape matters, in particular the relationships between people and place. <i>Comprises representatives from partner organisations and up to 2 Authority Members.</i> Meets as required, usually twice a year.</p>	<p>Dr M Kelly (SoS) Mr M Kravis (SC)</p>	<p>Dr M Kelly (SoS) Mr M Kravis (SC)</p>

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<p>Exmoor Rural Housing Network (Lead Officers: Ruth McArthur, Policy & Community Manager and Joe White, Development Manager).</p> <p>The Exmoor Rural Housing Network recognises that the delivery of housing is increasingly difficult in Exmoor and other rural areas across the country. The aim of the Network is to actively:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • find solutions that work for everyone in housing need on Exmoor, by supporting a locally managed and delivered programme for local needs rural housing in perpetuity. • bring together a group of organisations/individuals with a broad range of experiences in order to share information and ideas in a collaborative way that will help provide and improve access to housing on Exmoor for local people. <p><i>Comprises representatives from partner organisations and up to 5 Authority Members.</i> Meets as required.</p>	<p>Mr M Ellicott (Parish) Mr B Geen (Parish) Mr J Holtom (Parish) Mrs F Nicholson (SC) Mr S J Pugsley (SC)</p>	<p>Mr M Ellicott (Parish) Mr B Geen (Parish) Mr J Holtom (Parish) Mrs F Nicholson (SC) Mr SJ Pugsley (SC)</p>
<p>North Devon Coast National Landscape (Lead Officer: Rob Wilson-North, Head of Access, Engagement & Estates)</p> <p>The North Devon National Landscape’s primary task is taking forward the objective of conserving the natural beauty of the landscape of North Devon.</p> <p>1 Member representative</p>	<p><i>Mr D Elson (SoS) - Vacancy 26/27</i></p>	<p>Miss L Williams (SoS)</p>

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<p>Visit Exmoor CIC (Lead Officer: Dan James, Enterprise & Communications Manager).</p> <p>Visit Exmoor CIC is the recognised tourism industry body promoting Exmoor, its brand and visitor economy businesses. <i>ENPA are invited to have 1 Member representative as an observer, alongside an Officer observer, alongside an Officer observer, at 2 board meetings a year, with an invitation to also attend meetings of the Somerset and Exmoor Local Visitor Economy Partnership.</i> In addition, the Exmoor Tourism Network brings together ENPA, Visit Exmoor and local tourism organisations together to act as a <i>Partnership Plan Group</i> with a key role to lead in the development and delivery of relevant action plans set out in the Exmoor National Park Partnership Plan (comprises representatives of the tourism organisations and industry providers). Meets as required.</p> <p><i>The same Authority Member is required to serve on both Visit Exmoor and the Exmoor Tourism Network.</i></p>	<p>Miss L Williams (SoS)</p>	<p>Miss L Williams (SoS)</p>
Independent Person		
<p>Under the Localism Act 2011, the Authority must promote and maintain high standards of conduct by Members and co-opted Members of the authority. To this end the Authority has adopted a Code of Conduct for Members and has agreed arrangements for dealing with any allegation that a member or co-opted member has breached the code. In accordance with the requirements of the Localism Act 2011, these arrangements include the appointment of an Independent Person to advise on breaches of the Member Code of Conduct.</p>	<p>Diana Mortimer Adam Stanyer</p>	