

AGENDA ITEM: 6

SUBJECT: Future work programme

MEETING: MONMOUTHSHIRE LOCAL ACCESS FORUM 11 June 2024

Below is the work programme taken from the last annual report (2022/23) annotated with progress (in bold). In addition, the Countryside access team is committed to a review of the operation of the prioritisation scheme within 2024/25 (as agreed in a recent internal audit), which will require the forum's input and our focus on bridges, including the additional capital allocation, means it would be timely for the forum to consider the issues and prioritisation of bridges, as this was last reviewed in 2020. Members may wish to add additional items.

Appendix 2: Future Work Programme

Item	Background	Reporting Arrangements	Progress / Plans
Standard Items:			
Countryside Access Improvement Plan (CAIP)	Progress in implementing the approved CAIP	Regular report	See Delivery Plan – summary report April 23 23 (Last reported LAF November 2023)
Performance Measures	MonLife Delivery Plan performance measures of CAMS issues	Regular report	See Delivery Plan – summary report April 23
Funding	Progress on and opportunities for external funded & MCC capital funded countryside access projects programmes	Regular report	CAIP bid reported to LAF April 22 23 (Last reported LAF November 2023)
Consultations	Consultations to the LAF on relevant matters as required	Report to LAF	Sustainable Farming Scheme response Nov 22 As required
Natural Resource Wales (NRW) updates	Update on forestry operations and access related issues	Regular report	Standing Agenda Item

Working Groups:			
Improvement subgroup (Proposed)	To be established to support working with local communities to identify future improvements	Regular report	TOR LAF 26 Jan 23 (report to LAF 11 June 24)
Wentwood subgroup (Proposed)	To seek to re-establish liaison arrangements in respect of Wentwood (with forestry managers and Newport CC)	Report as required	Discussions underway with key stakeholders to re-establish a Wentwood group
Gwent Access Group	To participate in the regional access group	Report as required	Group met July 22; Consultants appointed Nov 22 and workshop planned Feb 23
Work Programme Items			
Definitive Map Modification Order (DDMO) Claims	To review the number of claims and their prioritisation	Report to future meeting	Report to Oct 23 meeting (Not progressed)
Welsh Government Access Reform	To receive any updates on progress on the access reforms	Report as required	Updates as received
Wye Valley Unclassified County Roads (UCRs)	To consider the development of an inclusive user-strategy for all lower Wye unclassified county roads and related countryside access network	Report to future meeting	Project Plan / Brief under preparation by AONB: Planned report to LAF April 23 (Last reported LAF November 2023)
Forest Resource Plans	To participate in the consultation on Natural Resource Wales (NRW) Wye Valley South Forest Resource Plan	Report to future meeting	Potential consultees identified Programme tbc