

Cumbria Rights of Way Improvement Plan

Annual Action Plan (April 2009 – March 2010)

Introduction

This annual action plan sets out in detail the work that will be undertaken to deliver projects through the Cumbria Rights of Way Improvement Plan (ROWIP) for the period 1st April 2009 to 31st March 2010. The three partner organisations (Cumbria County Council, the Lake District National Park and the Yorkshire Dales National Park) supported by other organisations in the Cumbria Countryside Access Partnership have worked together to add specific projects and activities for the forthcoming year. The three Local Access Forums have worked with us on this annual action plan.

The plan is a combination of carry over (long term) projects from the 2008/09 action plan, projects that for resource issues have not yet been initiated in the previous financial year, continuing work programmes that all the access authorities undertake and new, named high scoring ROWIP projects.

The headline improvements are:

- Working on four new bridleway links, two new footpath links and five local cycle routes
- Removing unnecessary stiles and other barriers in the countryside, where improvements for people with limited mobility are identified
- Promoting links with public transport, and running guided walks or cycle ride events that tie-in with public transport
- Working with under-represented groups to increase their confidence and use of countryside access
- Identification of opportunities to improve access to water and resolve conflict between user groups
- Information provision, including better use of our web sites, and providing maps, leaflets and other interpretation
- Working with land managers to help resolve conflict and promote responsible use

The table is structured, as was the Statement of Action in the full ROWIP, in alphabetical order of the main beneficiary. Where an activity applies to a specific part of Cumbria only, we have used orange, green and blue coloured text to show which area it is in. **Orange text represents the Lake District National Park area, green text illustrates the Yorkshire Dales National Park area, and blue text shows projects in the Cumbria County Council area.**

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All ¹	1 Fingerposts	1.1 Give new and replacement fingerposts information on status, destination(s) and mileage (unless no satisfactory destination can be determined)	1.1.1 CCC Capita Symonds Ltd Local Access Forums Cumbria Tourism 1.1.3 CCC Capita Symonds Ltd 1.1.4 LDNPA	1.1.1 Seek funding if required. Identify and undertake a programme of implementation 1.1.3 Local parishes may identify desired locations through the Parish Paths Initiative 1.1.4 Replacement signs on any identified route	1.1.2 100% of signs where destination and mileage is appropriate to contain this information 1.1.4 100% of signs where destination and mileage is appropriate to contain this information	1.1.1 1.1.3 1.1.4 CCA MTG	Additional funding may be required for the CCC implementation programme. Small. Small.

¹ All the actions are listed in the table in alphabetical order of the main beneficiary; All – Carriage-drivers – Cyclists – Horse-riders (and cyclists) – Horse-riders – Land managers – MPV / Recreational Vehicle Users – People with limited mobility – Under-represented groups – Walkers – Water users – Young people

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		1.2 Survey and replace fingerposts	1.2 CCC/ LDNPA/ YDNPA	1.2.1 Maintain/ replace as necessary	1.2.1 All reported missing or damaged signs replaced within 2 months	1.2.1 CCA MTG	Resource implication is small ² .
All	2 Quiet Lanes Identify and implement a network of designated Quiet Lanes, where priority is given to walkers, cyclists, horse-riders and people with limited mobility	2.1 Quiet Lanes review	2.1 CCC LDNPA YDNPA AONBs Cumbria Highways	2.1.1 CCA improvement task group to consider Quiet Lanes to date and how to move forward	2.1.1 Quiet Lanes review has taken place and recommendations are scheduled to the CCA OSG	2.1.1 CCA ITG	Resource implication is small for the review, large for any implementation.

² Project work will be given a programming estimate based on resources and timescale – small being £0-£10k and deliverable in 1-2 years, medium being £10-£50k and deliverable in 2-3 years, large being £50-£100k and deliverable in 3-4 years, v.large being £100k + and being deliverable in 5 or more years. Issues for project delivery will also be itemised.

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All	3 Access Improvements - Structures Encourage and help land managers to make countryside structures less restrictive.	3.1 Barrier reduction	3.1 CCC Capita Local Access Forums	3.1.1 Formalise approach on maintenance of improved gates 3.1.2 Seek funding for a more proactive barrier-reduction approach 3.1.3 Collect numbers of improved stiles / gates to inform future targets	3.1.1 Stiles and gates on annual maintenance programme are improved where appropriate 3.1.2 Funding for more proactive barrier-reduction is obtained 3.1.3 Numbers of improved structures are monitored	3.1.1 3.1.2 3.1.3 CCA ITG	Policy – small resource implication.
		3.2 Parishes may identify locations to replace stiles with gates under Parish Paths Initiative	3.2 CCC Local parishes Landowners Local Access Forums	3.2.1 Identified locations are costed Work programme established if it involves more than one year of work	3.2.1 Ten stiles / gates are made less restrictive under the PPI programme	3.2.1 CCA ITG	Resource implication is small.
		3.3 Public Footpath near Sedbergh or other route to be identified	3.3 YDNPA Tourism and Conservation Partnership	3.3.1 Identify funding and make funding bid to enable work to be carried out to reduce barrier son at least one well-used section of footpath	3.3.1 At least one barrier-reduction project is completed	3.3.1 CCA ITG	Resource implication is small.

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All		3.4 Any identified route	3.4 LDNPA Landowners Parish councils CCC Others	3.4.1 Implement “Access Improvement Fund” and “Miles without Stiles” programme	3.4.1 Twenty stiles, gates, bridges or boardwalks are made less restrictive	3.4.1 CCA ITG	Resource implication is small to medium.
		3.5 Bridges and Boardwalks Annual bridge replacement / repair programme ³	3.5 CCC Capita Local Access Forum Environment Agency Landowners User groups	3.5.1 Identify opportunities for people with limited mobility when bridge programme is being drawn up Additional funding avenues should be investigated	3.5.1 At least two bridges are replaced / repaired that have access improvements as part of the project	3.5.1 CCA ITG	Resource implication is medium.
All	4 Access Improvement - Surfacing	4.1 Any identified route	4.1 CCC/ LDNPA/ YDNPA	4.1.1 Identify opportunities for enhanced surfacing to be undertaken	4.1.1 Five routes are surfaced to provide enhanced accessibility.	4.1.1 CCA MTG	Resource implication is small.

³ At the time of producing this annual action plan, next year’s bridge programme was not yet available – but work to Rickergill bridge is likely to go ahead as part of the Packhorse Trail routes in partnership with the North Pennines AONB – see action 15 below.

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All	5 Rights and responsibilities Provide information on rights and responsibilities in the countryside, (to include rights of way, open access and wider access opportunities)	5.1 Suite of generic signs	5.1 CCA	5.1.1 Develop and implement an agreed set of countryside access signs for Cumbria	5.1.1 Signs in use and available across Cumbria if agreed	5.1.1 CCA ITG	Resource implication is small.
		5.2 Season of attending shows and events	5.2 CCC/ LDNPA Volunteers Natural England ECCP Made in Cumbria FWAG Cumbria Tourism	5.2.1 Identify shows and events best suited to countryside access and attend accordingly 5.2.2 Investigate joint CCA Partnership presence at these shows 5.2.3 Review success for future years	5.2.1 Agreed list of suitable countryside access shows and list number of shows attended 5.2.2 To be confirmed – dependent on the “theme” and scale of the show or event. 5.2.3 Share review results within the CCA Partnership	5.2.1 5.2.2 5.2.3 CCA PTG	Resource implication is small for cost but medium for staff time.

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		<p>5.3 Information provision</p>	<p>5.3 CCC/ LDNPA User groups Local Access Forums Ramblers' Association</p>	<p>5.3.1 Information for the public on the web site is accurate</p> <p>5.3.2 CCA web site portal to be designed</p> <p>5.3.3 Partners to investigate collecting on-line satisfaction data</p> <p>5.3.4 Seek funds for LDNPA web site development for access and recreation</p>	<p>5.3.1 Ensure web site information is up-to-date</p> <p>5.3.2 Ensure CCA web site portal is created</p> <p>5.3.3 A simple on-line satisfaction survey will have been undertaken</p> <p>5.3.4 Funding secured</p>	<p>5.3.1</p> <p>5.3.2</p> <p>5.3.3</p> <p>5.3.4</p> <p>CCA PTG</p>	<p>Resource implication is small.</p>
		<p>5.4 Open Access rights and responsibilities guided walk</p>	<p>5.4 YDNPA</p>	<p>5.4.1 One open access guided walk in Cumbria where rights and responsibilities are explained to users</p>	<p>5.4.1 One walk to have been completed</p>	<p>5.4.1</p> <p>CCA PTG</p>	<p>Resource implication is small.</p>

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All	6 Interpretation Identify strategic locations for on-site interpretation. Provide this interpretation to give people confidence in the countryside and improve their experience of it.	6.1 Identification of interpretation sites	6.1 YDNPA	6.1.1 As part of a general programme of interpretation work, sites in Cumbria will be considered for inclusion	6.1.1 To consider sites for interpretation work 6.1.2 To commission work (as resources allow) by December 2009	6.1.1 6.1.2 CCA PTG	Resource implication is small.
		6.2 Open Access signboards	6.2 CCC Local Access Forums Ramblers' Association	6.2.1 Provide information about open access signboard locations ⁴ on CCC website.	6.2.1 To show Open Access signboard locations (and other measures) on CCC website and ensure they are available to download.	6.2.1 CCA PTG	Resource implication is small.
		6.3 Open Access signboards	6.3 LDNPA	6.3.1 Produce open access signboards promoting open access	6.3.1 All open access boards out on site and promoted on website	6.3.1 CCA PTG	Resource implication is medium.

⁴ Or about the open access entry / exit points.

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		6.4 Open Access Land monitoring project ⁵	6.4 CCC Natural England North Pennines AONB Neighbouring authorities Volunteers	6.4.1 Secure Natural England funding if available 6.4.2 Plan and carry out surveys 6.4.3 Plan for surveys in future years	6.4.1 Funding obtained 6.4.2 To complete two surveys at each site and to pass the data to Natural England for analysis 6.4.3 70% of users are satisfied with the information provided	6.4.1 6.4.2 6.4.3 CCA PTG	Resource implication is small.
All	7 Promotion of public transport Promote the use of public transport for travel to and within the countryside, and link with walking and cycling routes. Identify suitable funding sources as appropriate.	7.1 Give the Driver a Break leaflets	7.1 LDNPA FOLD CCC Public Transport Operators	7.1.1 Development, design, production and publication of GTDAB leaflets	7.1.1 Walks in Give the Driver a Break leaflets to be made available on the LDNPA web site.	7.1.1 CCA PTG	Resource implication is small.

⁵ Aim of the Open Access Monitoring project is to determine visitors' a) use of open access land, b) awareness of their new rights and c) satisfaction with the rights of way network / existing interpretation

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		7.2 Cross Lakes Experience	7.2 LDNPA Cross Lakes Experience partners	7.2.1 Seek funds for Cross Lakes Experience promotion.	7.2.1 Funds obtained and XLE promoted throughout 2009	7.2.1 CCA PTG	Resource implication is small.
		7.3 Kirkby Stephen town to rail link	7.3 CCC Capita Natural England Carlisle to Settle Railway	7.3.1 Scope the route 7.3.2 Gain community and landowner support 7.3.3 Seek funding for the link	7.3.1 To scope and agree the route 7.3.2 To secure local community, landowner and councillor support 7.3.3 To work with the LTP to identify resources	7.3.1 7.3.2 7.3.3 CCA ITG	Resource implication is v.large.
		7.4 Walks and Cycles using public transport	7.4 CCC YDNPA LDNPA Public Transport Operators Cumbria Tourism	7.4.1 Information about walks and cycles using public transport is collected.	7.4.1 At least four walks and four cycle rides routes that use public transport are suggested on our websites.	7.4.1 CCA PTG	Resource implication is small.

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		7.5 Development of cycle-friendly towns (Carlisle, Kendal & Barrow) with a network of cycle routes linking with public transport centres / hubs.	7.5 CCC Cycling Development Officer Cumbria Tourism District Councils Capita Carlisle Renaissance University of Cumbria	7.5.1 Agree a prioritised signing strategy 7.5.2 Other activities to be developed ⁶	7.5.1 Signing project is underway or completed. 7.5.2 Other targets to be confirmed as activities develop	7.5.1 7.5.2 CCA ITG	Resource implication is medium.
Carriage-drivers⁷	8 Information and maps for carriage-drivers Identify appropriate routes for use by carriage-drivers and make this information available	8.1 Cumbria wide “Hierarchy of Trails” project ⁸	8.1 CCC CCA MPV Sub Group User group representatives Volunteers LDNPA	8.1.1 Keep information (map) on the website up-to-date & accurate 8.1.2 Work with carriage drivers to identify and assess suitable routes	8.1.1 Hierarchy of Trails Routes information is up-to-date and accurate 8.1.2 Information on appropriate carriage driver routes available on website	8.1.1 8.1.2 CCA PTG	Resource implication is small.

⁶ At the time of producing this annual action plan, the specific activities were still being developed.

⁷ By carriage-drivers we mean recreation with horse or pony-pulled carts. They can use Restricted Byways, Byways and roads.

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Cyclists	<p>9 Cycle Tourism Hubs</p> <p>Create Cycle Tourism hubs in partnership with Cumbria Tourism, and connect these hubs to the countryside with safer cycle routes</p>	<p>9.1 Penrith Keswick Ambleside</p>	<p>9.1 CCC Cycling Development Officer LDNPA Cumbria Tourism Sustrans Market Town Initiative District Councils Hub-related businesses</p>	<p>9.1.1 Assessment of what is there.</p> <p>9.1.2 Engagement with the local community & other stakeholders.</p> <p>9.1.3 Development / provision of any required facilities.</p>	<p>9.1.1 To obtain accreditation for Penrith</p> <p>9.1.2 Develop a cycling guide for Penrith</p> <p>9.1.3 On-going development of cycle tourism hubs in Keswick & Ambleside.</p>	<p>9.1.1</p> <p>9.1.2</p> <p>9.1.3</p> <p>CCA PTG</p>	Resource implication is medium.
Cyclists	<p>10 Strategic Cycle Network</p> <p>Complete the Strategic Cycle Network (National Cycle Routes and Regional Cycle Routes)</p>	<p>10.1 K2K (Dunmail Raise and Ambleside to Windermere)</p>	<p>10.1 CCC Cycling Development Officer LDNPA Capita Area Highways Engineer Sustrans</p>	<p>10.1 Review cycle schemes.</p> <p>10.2 Resubmit planning application to LDNPA</p>	<p>10.1 Carry out feasibility study into alignment and design of Windermere to Ambleside section of the K2K</p> <p>10.2 Obtain planning decision</p>	<p>10.1.</p> <p>10.2</p> <p>CCA ITG</p>	Resource implication is large.

⁸ So that the Hierarchy of Trails system applies to the LDNPA area and the CCC area, but not to the three parishes in the YDNPA area (Sedbergh, Dent, Garsdale).

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		10.2 Hadrian's Cycleway (between Maryport and Silloth)	10.2 CCC Cycling Development Officer Capita Area Highways Engineer Sustrans Hadrian's Heritage Solway AONB W Lakes Renaissance	10.2.1 Feasibility study to be completed 10.2.2 Seek funding from Regional Development Funds	10.2.1 Complete feasibility study. 10.2.2 Agree route section and secure funding from partners.	10.2.1 10.2.2 CCA ITG	Resource implication is medium.

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Cyclists	<p>11 Family-friendly cycle routes</p> <p>Identify, develop, and promote a set of continuously way-marked short (less than half a day), medium (a day), and long (more than 1 day) family-friendly cycle routes. Where possible these will be traffic-free and close to where people live and visit.</p>	<p>11.1 Round Thirlmere cycle route / way</p>	<p>11.1 CCC Cycling Development Officer United Utilities LDNPA Cumbria Tourism Capita Area Engineer Parish Councils Landowners</p>	<p>11.1.1 Agree route alignment and traffic calming measure for west shore road</p> <p>11.1.2 United Utilities to redesign of car parks and implement barrier installation</p> <p>11.1.3 United Utilities to draw up costs for eastern shore route</p> <p>11.1.4 Feasibility study for A591 road crossings</p>	<p>11.1.1 To implement the traffic calming measures for the western shore road between Armboth and Dobgill</p> <p>11.1.2 To promote the western shore road as cycle route</p> <p>11.1.3 To design, cost and implement the works on eastern shore from Swirls car park to Thirlmere dam</p> <p>11.1.4 To obtain funding and carry out a feasibility study for the A591 road crossings.</p>	<p>11.1.1</p> <p>11.1.2</p> <p>11.1.3</p> <p>11.1.4</p> <p>CCA ITG</p>	<p>Resource implication is v.large.</p>
	<p>11.2 Foxfield to Coniston (cross-boundary project) part of the Connect 2 programme</p>	<p>11.2 LDNPA CCC Cycling Development Officer Sustrans Area Engineer Parish Councils Landowners</p>	<p>11.2.1 Draw up project plan for route</p>	<p>11.2.1 To design and cost the route</p>	<p>11.2.1</p> <p>CCA ITG</p>	<p>Resource implication is v.large.</p>	

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		<p>11.3 Maryport and Carlisle links (Connect2)⁹ and Coniston (in reserve list)</p>	<p>11.3 Sustrans Carlisle City Council Big Lottery Fund CCC Cycling Development Officer Economic Development Unit Capita Carlisle Renaissance University of Cumbria</p>	<p>11.3.1 Develop proposed networks</p> <p>11.3.1 Seek match funding</p>	<p>11.3.1 Proposed networks are being developed</p>	<p>11.3.1</p> <p>CCA ITG</p>	<p>Resource implication is v.large.</p>
		<p>11.4 Lune Valley Multi-user route (cross boundary with YDNPA)</p>	<p>11.4 CCC Cycling Development Officer YDNPA Cumbria Tourism</p>	<p>11.4.1 Explore proposals for limited development of sections of the route close to Sedbergh</p> <p>11.4.2 Route planning and agreement.</p> <p>11.4.3 Cost-benefit analysis.</p> <p>11.4.4 Funding applications</p>	<p>11.4.1 To complete draft feasibility study</p> <p>11.4.2 Disseminate findings to all stakeholders</p> <p>11.4.3 Seek support and explore and submit funding applications if cost-benefit analysis is favourable</p>	<p>11.4.1</p> <p>11.4.2</p> <p>11.4.3</p> <p>CCA ITG</p>	<p>Resource implications: Development work – small Sections of route - medium Actual route – v.large</p>

⁹ This was subject to a successful TV vote in December 2007. Other partners depending on project and match-funding.

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		11.5 Hadrian's cycleway new off-road section near Silloth	11.5 Solway AONB	11.5.1 Feasibility Study 11.5.2 Seek stakeholder support 11.5.3 Secure funding	11.5.1 To complete feasibility study	11.5.1 CCA ITG	Resource implication is small.
		11.6 A coast-to-coast mountain bike route aimed at riders with an intermediate-level of skills	11.6 North Yorkshire Outdoor Adventure Group CCC NYCC LDNPA YDNPA NYMNPA Cumbria Tourism	11.6.1 To progress the results of the feasibility study. 11.6.2 Ensure all the partners are signed up and implement the route	11.6.1 To progress/schedule route development if agreed	11.6.1 CCA ITG	Resource implication is medium (small in LDNPA area).

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Cyclists	<p>12 Information and maps on cycle routes</p> <p>Provide information and maps on cycle routes for families, mountain bikers (maps will include grading), cycle-tourers and utility cyclists</p>	<p>12.1 Walking and Cycling map for Barrow</p>	<p>12.1 CCC Cycling Development Officer</p> <p>Other stakeholders depending on project</p>	<p>12.1.1 Gather best practice, map routes and consult on key routes</p> <p>12.1.2 Prepare map for printing</p> <p>12.1.3 Review of cycling and walking signing in Barrow</p>	<p>12.1.2 To publish map by May 2009</p> <p>12.1.3 To implement the review of signs.</p>	<p>12.1.2</p> <p>12.1.3</p> <p>CCA PTG</p>	<p>Resource implication is small.</p>
	<p>12.2 Web-based information and maps for mountain bikers, tourers and families</p>	<p>12.2 YDNPA LDNPA CCC Cycling Development Officer</p> <p>Sustrans IMBA CTC Market Towns Cumbria Tourism</p>	<p>12.2.1 YDNPA to keep website information up-to-date and accurate</p> <p>12.2.2 LDNPA to seek funding</p>	<p>12.2.1 Information is up-to-date and accurate</p> <p>12.2.2 Funding secured</p>	<p>12.2.1</p> <p>12.2.2</p> <p>CCA PTG</p>	<p>Resource implication is small/medium.</p>	

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Cyclists	13 Cycle carriage Work with boat, bus, coach and rail operators to increase the number of services with cycle carriage on their services	13.1 505 Ambleside to Coniston bus service	13.1 CCC LDNPA Cumbria Tourism Stagecoach	13.1.1 Review uptake of cycle rack provision on the 505 service. 13.1.2 Seek to expand to other services or publicise existing services better	13.1.1 13.1.2 Total number of routes with cycle rack service is increasing	13.1.1 13.1.2. CCA ITG	Resource implication is small.
		13.2 Cumbria West Coast railway cycling provision	13.2 CCC Network Rail	13.2.1 Investigate cycle carriage provision on the west coast railway	13.2.1 Increase cycle carriage on the west coast railway	13.2.1 CCA ITG	Resource implication is small.
Horse riders and cyclists	14 Bridleway links Identify and create links in the bridleway network	14.1 Frenchfield underpass, Penrith	14.1 CCC Landowners User groups Market Towns Initiative	14.1.1 To determine the land ownership 14.1.2 14.1.3 To schedule the Definitive Map legal work	14.1.1 Seek creation agreement with landowner 14.1.2 To implement a Traffic Regulation Order 14.1.3 Legal work programmed for 2009 - 10	14.1.1 14.1.2 14.1.3 CCA ITG	Resource implication is medium.

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		<p>14.2 Bridleway route development with partner organisations</p>	<p>14.2 CCC FoLD Natural England National Trust North Pennines AONB</p>	<p>14.2.1 Work with partners to develop bridleways on sites they own</p> <p>14.2.2 Work with Natural England to increase bridleway links in Stewardship and their promotion.</p>	<p>14.2.1 To identify and progress at least one new bridleway link</p> <p>14.2.2 To integrate Stewardship routes into the CCC interactive website map.</p>	<p>14.2.1</p> <p>14.2.2</p> <p>CCA ITG</p>	<p>Resource implication will be small (unless physical works are required).</p>
		<p>14.3 Links to the Pennine Bridleway</p>	<p>14.3 YDNPA Natural England CCC</p>	<p>14.3.1 YDNPA to progress the Pennine Bridleway route</p> <p>14.3.2 YDNPA/CCC to look at opportunities for additional link/loop routes</p>	<p>14.3.1 To complete Swineley Cwm creation and required works on the ground and to progress Garsdale creation</p> <p>14.3.2 To have identified suitable link/loop routes and to look for funding for additional links/loops where needed</p>	<p>14.3.1</p> <p>14.3.2</p> <p>CCA ITG</p>	<p>Resource implication for loop development will be small.</p> <p>Loop implementation – not yet known.</p>

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		<p>14.4 Implementation of high-scoring bridleway requests</p>	<p>14.4 LDNPA CCC Capita National Trust Landowners User groups Parish Councils</p>	<p>14.4.1 Work with landowners to progress top scoring projects</p> <p>14.4.2 Consult with users and local community on upgrades</p> <p>14.4.3 Process legal work to create upgrades</p> <p>14.4.4 Plan for any work on the ground</p>	<p>14.4.1 Four routes Cumbria-wide from list below:</p> <p>LDNPA potential project list:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Buttstead Wood 2. Skelghyll to Little Town 3. Birkett Mire (all carried over from 2008 – 09) 4. High Rigg circular 5. Rydal Hall to Ambleside 6. Dodd Wood (Nr Keswick) 7. Patterdale to Hartsop 8. Tarn Hows to Iron Keld <p>CCC potential project list:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 8. Killington Bridleway 9. Low Holm Bridleway 10. Bolton Bridleway 	<p>14.4.1</p> <p>CCA ITG</p>	<p>Resource implication will be large.</p> <p>Funding will need to be secured. Landowner permissions will need to be sought.</p>

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Horse riders	<p>15 Promoted horse-riding routes</p> <p>Identify, develop, and promote a set of distinctively way-marked, short (less than half a day), medium (1 day), and long (more than 1 day) horse-riding routes. Where possible these will be traffic-free.</p>	<p>15.1 “In the footsteps of pack ponies” routes (Hartside and Alston) including Rickergill bridge restoration</p>	<p>15.1 North Pennines AONB CCC</p>	<p>15.1.1 Identify and secure match-funding</p> <p>15.1.2 Implement practical works on the ground</p> <p>15.1.3 Plan for legal work, including road crossing near Melmerby / Hartside</p>	<p>15.1.1 Match funding secured</p> <p>15.1.2 To complete both Hartside and Alston routes</p> <p>15.1.3 Legal work completed</p>	<p>15.1.1</p> <p>15.1.2</p> <p>15.1.3</p> <p>CCA PTG</p>	<p>Resource implication is small.</p>
		<p>15.2 Day horse rider routes</p>	<p>15.2 CCC LDNPA YDNPA Local equestrian groups LAF members, Parish Councils Landowners</p>	<p>15.2.1 Work with local stakeholders to identify a range of routes to promote linked to horse-box parking areas</p> <p>15.2.2 Prepare routes for publication on websites</p>	<p>15.2.1 To map horse-box parking areas and suitable routes.</p> <p>15.2.2 To make this information available online</p> <p>15.2.3 To devise and develop a project plan for the ‘Round Whitbarrow’ route</p>	<p>15.2.1</p> <p>15.2.2</p> <p>15.2.3</p> <p>CCA ITG and PTG</p>	<p>Resource implication will be medium.</p>

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Horse riders	<p>16 Information and maps on horse-riding routes</p> <p>Provide information and maps on horse-riding routes (maps to include locations suitable for parking horse boxes)</p>	<p>16.1 “In the footsteps of pack ponies” routes (Hartside and Alston)</p>	<p>16.1 North Pennines AONB CCC</p>	<p>16.1.1 Publications and marketing planned for 2009 / 2010</p> <p>16.1.2 Secure additional funding support / match-funding.</p>	<p>16.1.1 To secure additional marketing support or match-funding.</p> <p>16.1.2 Provide signposting to existing web sites that provide equestrian information e.g. stabling, accommodation, and parking.</p>	<p>16.1.1</p> <p>16.1.2</p> <p>CCA PTG</p>	<p>Resource implication is small.</p>
	Land managers	<p>17 Support to land managers</p> <p>Offer practical assistance, support, and advice to encourage land managers to develop both new and existing access and recreational opportunities.</p>	<p>17.1 Any identified route</p>	<p>17.1 LDNPA Natural England Landowners CLA NFU Parish Councils CCC National Trust North Pennines AONB Others to be identified</p>	<p>17.1.1 Continue with “Access Improvement Fund”</p> <p>17.1.2 Continue with “Miles without Stiles programme”</p> <p>17.1.3 Develop and implement “Environmental Land Management Service” with Natural England</p>	<p>17.1.1 20 structures improved under least restrictive access principle</p> <p>17.1.2 Length of MwS routes increased by 1.5km</p> <p>17.1.3 70% of land managers are satisfied with the service we provide</p>	<p>17.1.1</p> <p>17.1.2</p> <p>17.1.3</p> <p>CCA ITG</p>

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Land managers	<p>18 Working with land managers</p> <p>Work with land managers and relevant users to manage recreational pursuits, resolve conflict, encourage responsible use, and promote appropriate guidance.</p>	<p>18.1 Hold discussions with representatives of recreational pursuits and land managers in order to help resolve conflict when identified issues arise</p>	<p>18.1 LDNPA CCC User Groups Landowners CLA NFU Parish Councils Environment Agency</p>	<p>18.1.1 Agree managed solutions where possible</p>	<p>18.1.1 70% of land managers are satisfied with the service we provide</p>	<p>18.1.1</p> <p>CCA MTG</p>	<p>Resource implication is small.</p>
		<p>18.2 Provide information to walkers encouraging them to adopt a sensible approach through hay meadows</p>	<p>18.2 YDNPA North Pennines AONB Land managers</p>	<p>18.2.1 YDNPA will assist land managers with way-marking and low-key information panels to help in specific locations</p>	<p>18.2.1 At least one location has improved information where there have been problems in the past</p>	<p>18.2.1</p> <p>CCA MTG</p>	<p>Resource implication is small.</p>
MPV / Recreational	<p>19 Information and maps for recreational motor vehicle users</p> <p>Manage the use of routes by recreational motor vehicles by providing information and</p>	<p>19.1 “Trail Riding in the Yorkshire Dales” leaflet and website information</p>	<p>19.1 YDNPA TRF LARA Neighbouring authorities Police Yorkshire Dales Green Lanes Advisory Group</p>	<p>19.1.1 Keep leaflet and website up-to-date and accurate</p>	<p>19.1.1 Leaflet and website is up-to-date and accurate</p>	<p>19.1.1</p> <p>CCA MTG</p>	<p>Resource implication is small.</p>

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	maps that promote responsible and sustainable use.	19.2 Cumbria wide “Hierarchy of Trails” project	19.2 CCC CCA MPV Sub Group User group representatives Volunteers LDNPA	19.2.1 Keep information (map) on the website up-to-date & accurate 19.2.2 Evaluate website and map information through user feedback	19.2.1 Hierarchy of Trails Routes information is up-to-date and accurate	19.2.1 CCA MTG	Resource implication is small.
People with limited mobility	20 ‘Miles Without Stiles’ routes Create a set of ‘Miles without Stiles’ routes for people with limited mobility	20.1 New access for all footpath to Milefortlet 21 in Solway AONB	20.1 Solway AONB Allerdale District Council Landowner Area Highways Engineer Other stakeholders	20.1.1 Seek planning permission to develop access on to the road end at Crosscannoby	20.1.1 To secure planning permission	20.1.1 CCA ITG	Resource implication is medium.
		20.2 Coniston to Torver lakeshore	20.2 LDNPA User groups Landowners Parish Councils Local Access Forums Other stakeholders	20.2.1 Carry out legal work and route improvements on the ground	20.2.1 To complete the route	20.2.1 CCA ITG	Resource implication is medium.

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		<p>20.3 Staveley Riverside</p>	<p>20.3 LDNPA User Groups Parish Councils Local Access Forums Other stakeholders</p>	<p>20.3.1 Decide and agree on a bridge design</p> <p>20.3.2 Audit the route</p> <p>20.3.3 Draw up a specification of works</p> <p>20.3.4 Seek funding</p> <p>20.3.5 Schedule legal work for creation order for new bridge route</p>	<p>20.3.1 To install the bridge subject to agreed design.</p> <p>20.3.2 Use volunteers to audit the route</p> <p>20.3.3 Undertake the project specification using secured funding</p> <p>20.3.4 Funding obtained</p> <p>20.3.5 Legal work programmed</p>	<p>20.3.1</p> <p>20.3.2</p> <p>20.3.3</p> <p>20.3.4</p> <p>20.3.5</p> <p>CCA ITG</p>	<p>Resource implication is medium.</p>
		<p>20.4 Stair Riverside Phase 3</p>	<p>20.4 LDNPA User groups Landowners Parish Councils Local Access Forums Other stakeholders</p>	<p>20.4.1 Audit route and draw up specification of works</p> <p>20.4.2 Complete all works on the ground</p>	<p>20.4.1 Specification drawn up</p> <p>20.4.2 To complete the route by 31 December 2009</p>	<p>20.4.1</p> <p>20.4.2</p> <p>CCA ITG</p>	<p>Resource implication is medium.</p>

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		20.5 Brockhole	20.5 LDNPA Other stakeholders	20.5.1 Draw up specification of works 20.5.2 Programme work on the ground	20.5.1 Specification of works agreed by relevant NPA staff 20.5.2 Work completed by summer 2009	20.5.1 20.5.2 CCA ITG	Resource implication is small.
		20.6 Longlands Lake	20.6 CCC User groups Landowners Parish Councils Local Access Forums Other stakeholders	20.6.1 Consult with landowners, Parish Council and other stakeholders 20.6.2 Audit route and draw up specification of works 20.6.3 Seek funding	20.6.1 Consultation complete 20.6.2 Use volunteers to audit the route 20.6.3 Undertake the project specification using secured funding	20.6.1 20.6.2 20.6.3 CCA ITG	Resource implication is small.

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		<p>20.7 Appleby Riverside</p>	<p>20.7 CCC User groups Landowners Parish Councils Local Access Forums Other stakeholders</p>	<p>20.7.1 Consult with landowners, Parish Council and other stakeholders</p> <p>20.7.2 Audit route and draw up specification of works</p> <p>20.7.3 Seek funding</p>	<p>20.7.1 Consultation complete</p> <p>20.7.2 Use volunteers to audit the route</p> <p>20.7.3 Undertake the project specification using secured funding</p>	<p>20.7.1</p> <p>20.7.2</p> <p>20.7.3</p> <p>CCA ITG</p>	<p>Resource implication is small.</p>
		<p>20.8 Miltonrigg Wood (nr Brampton)</p>	<p>20.8 CCC User groups Landowners Parish Councils Local Access Forums Other stakeholders</p>	<p>20.8.1 Consult with landowners, Parish Council and other stakeholders</p> <p>20.8.2 Use volunteers to audit the route</p> <p>20.8.3 Seek funding</p>	<p>20.8.1 Consultation complete</p> <p>20.8.2 Audit route and draw up specification of works</p> <p>20.8.3 Undertake the project specification using secured funding</p>	<p>20.8.1</p> <p>20.8.2</p> <p>20.8.3</p> <p>CCA ITG</p>	<p>Resource implication is small.</p>

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		20.9 Rampside (Barrow)	20.9 CCC User groups Landowners Parish Councils Local Access Forums Other stakeholders	20.9.1 Consult with landowners, Parish Council and other stakeholders 20.9.2 Use volunteers to audit the route 20.9.3 Seek funding	20.9.1 Consultation complete 20.9.2 Audit route and draw up specification of works 20.9.3 Undertake the project specification using secured funding	20.9.1 20.9.2 20.9.3 CCA ITG	Resource implication is small.
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People with limited mobility	<p>21 Information on “Miles without Stiles”</p> <p>Publish a guide to 'Miles without Stiles' routes, to make the information accessible to the target audience (website and booklet)</p>	<p>21.1 Information on twelve routes within CCC management area to be available on the internet by 2012. (Kirkby Stephen, Appleby, Brougham, Watchtree, Greystoke, Jockey Shields, Gelt Woods, Longlands Lake, Finlandrigg Wood, Grune Point, Maryport, Ulverston, Rampsgill, Barbon)</p>	<p>21.1 CCC Local user groups Landowners</p> <p>Other partners depending on location of route</p>	<p>21.1.1 Collect route information</p> <p>21.1.2 “Test” drafts of each leaflet with local user-groups</p> <p>21.1.3 Publish routes on CCC website</p>	<p>21.1.1 To make four routes (in total) available on CCC website by March 2010</p> <p>21.1.2 To make eight routes (in total) available on CCC web site by March 2011</p> <p>21.1.3 To make twelve routes (in total) available on CCC web site by March 2012</p>	<p>21.1.1</p> <p>21.1.2</p> <p>21.1.3</p> <p>CCA PTG and CCA ITG</p>	<p>Resource implication is small.</p>
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		21.2 New "Miles without Stiles" booklet and website	21.2 LDNPA User groups LAFs Cumbria Tourism Tourism Conservation Partnership	21.2.1 Publish and promote new booklet through 2009. 21.2.2 Seek funds for web site development 21.2.3 Investigate voice trail versions for the visually impaired	21.2.1 Booklet published 21.2.2 Funding obtained for Miles without Stiles web site content 21.2.3 Voice trail providers met and services evaluated	21.2.1 21.2.2 21.2.3 CCA PTG	Resource implication is medium.
Under-represented groups	22 Health walks Encourage wider participation in healthy-walking through a guided walks programme, by offering short walks and by making more use of 'Miles without Stiles' routes.	22.1 "Walking the way to Health" initiative integrated into guided walks programme	22.1 LDNPA CCC Natural England Ramblers Association Primary Care Trusts Volunteer Action Cumbria LDNPA Volunteer Service Cumbria Tourism	22.1.1 Link healthy walks to existing "Miles without Stiles" routes 22.1.2 Identify other potential short health walks suitable for guided walks programme 22.1.3 Liaise with Primary Care Trusts and GP Surgeries	22.1.1 Lake District Events Guide 2009 - 10 contains walking for health walks 22.1.2 CCC web site will detail health walks 22.1.3 Health walk details provided to GP surgeries and PCTs	22.1.1 22.1.2 22.1.3 CCA PTG	Resource implication is small.

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Under-represented groups	<p>23 Guided walks for under-represented groups</p> <p>Provide tailored guided-walks by special arrangement with under-represented groups</p>	<p>23.1 Disabled Ramble Event in Dufton</p>	<p>23.1 CCC Disabled Ramblers Landowners</p> <p>Other partners to be identified</p>	<p>23.1.1 Organise and plan for a disabled ramble event in Summer 2009, including route audit and landowner consultation</p>	<p>23.1.1 Event has taken place and success reviewed</p>	<p>23.1.1</p> <p>CCA PTG</p>	<p>Resource implication is small.</p>
	<p>23.2 Walks/ events for under-represented groups</p> <p>Examples include</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Carlisle Asian Women's Group • Short, lowland guided walks in "Flora of the Fells" programme through Friends of the Lake District 	<p>23.2 CCC LDNPA User groups FSC Volunteer Action Cumbria Black Environment Network AWAZ Cumbria Tourism Friends of the Lake District North Pennines AONB Woodland Trust</p>	<p>23.2.1 Work with stakeholders to develop activities for under-represented groups</p> <p>23.2.2 Plan routes / activities / training with partners and target audiences in mind</p> <p>23.2.3 Collect baseline participation figures</p>	<p><i>Target will follow in the future once baseline data is collected</i></p> <p>(Indicator is the number of participants on guided walks / events for under-represented groups)</p>	<p>23.2.1</p> <p>23.2.2</p> <p>23.2.3</p> <p>CCA PTG</p>	<p>Resource implication is small.</p>	

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Under-represented groups	<p>24 Promoted guided cycle-rides</p> <p>Promote guided-cycle rides to encourage people to start or return to cycling, to give participants the confidence to go on and plan their own rides</p>	<p>24.1 Guided cycle rides in “Out and About” guide</p>	<p>24.1 LDNPA FSC Volunteer Action Cumbria Cumbria Tourism</p>	<p>24.1.1 Identify suitable guided bike ride providers for Eskdale Trail rides</p> <p>24.1.2 Promote Eskdale Trail rides in “Lake District Events Guide” 2009</p> <p>24.1.3 Liaise with bike hire and Ratty about discounts for guided ride participants</p>	<p>24.1.1 & 24.1.2 To complete four Guided rides in “Lake District Events Guide” 2009</p> <p>24.1.3 Discounts arranged with providers</p>	<p>24.1.1</p> <p>24.1.2</p> <p>24.1.3</p> <p>CCA PTG</p>	<p>Resource implication is small.</p>
	Under-represented groups	<p>25 Targeting information¹⁰</p> <p>Target guided-walks, guided-cycle rides and other event information at under-represented groups</p>	<p>25.1 “Out and About” guide distribution</p>	<p>25.1 LDNPA FSC Volunteer Action Cumbria Black Environment Network User groups Cumbria Tourism Community Groups</p>	<p>25.1.1 Send “Out and About” guide to target groups</p>	<p>25.1.1 To collect baseline information on number of people from under-represented groups participating in activities</p>	<p>25.1.1</p> <p>CCA PTG</p>

¹⁰ Please note that this action does not relate to the provision of information in alternative languages (or formats) upon request, as that is a duty on local authorities.

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Under-represented groups	26 Outreach Provide outreach to schools, youth groups and community groups, to raise awareness of opportunities for access and recreation, rights and responsibilities and the health benefits of physical activity outdoors	26.1 Work with Cumbria Outdoors on a programme of options (BIG lottery-funded for work in Allerdale)	26.1 CCC Cumbria Outdoors Community Groups	26.1.1 Programme of options available for Cumbria Outdoors to use if required	26.1.1 Countryside activities identified by Cumbria Outdoors groups will be supported by CCC	26.1.1 CCA PTG	Resource implication is small.
		26.2 Go Dales project	26.2 YDNPA District Councils North Yorkshire Sport Other funding partners	26.2.1 Implement the Go Dales project	26.2.1 Baseline information complete 26.2.2 Year 1 project work with groups taken place	26.2.1 26.2.2 CCA PTG	Resource implication is medium.
		26.3 Project to increase under-represented user groups enjoyment of the western Lake District	26.3 LDNPA, Cumbria NHS CCC Parish Councils Landowners Other stakeholders Other partners to be identified	26.3.1 Work with partners and stakeholders to design a project brief which can be submitted to Natural England's 'Access to Nature' funding scheme	26.3.1 Secure a successful project bid to the 'Access to Nature' funding scheme and deliver the project with partners and stakeholders	26.3.1 CCA ITG and PTG	Resource implication is v large.

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	27 Footpath links Identify and create new links in the footpath network	27.1 New link to Longlands Lake	27.1 CCC CCC property department User groups/ local people	27.1.1 Seek creation agreement/ order	27.1.1 To work with CCC property department 27.1.2 To schedule the Definitive Map legal work 27.1.3 To arrange any practical work required	27.1.1 27.1.2 27.1.3 CCA ITG	Resource implication is small.
		27.2 Footpath route development with partner organisations	27.2 CCC Friends of the Lake District Natural England National Trust	27.2.1 Work with partners to develop footpath links on sites they own 27.2.1 Work with Natural England to increase footpath links in Stewardship and their promotion	27.2.1 To identify and progress at least one new footpath link. 27.2.2 To integrate Stewardship routes into the CCC interactive website map and regularly updated	27.2.1 27.2.2 CCA ITG	Resource implication is small (unless physical works are required).
Walkers		27.3 Sedbergh to Farfield Mill and Frostrow	27.3 YDNPA	27.3.1 To make improvements to several places where people walk on the main road	27.3.1 A suitable solution to have been identified 27.3.2 Required works to have been costed	27.3.1 CCA ITG	Resource implication is medium.

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		27.4 Dales Way from River Rawthey to High Oaks	27.4 YDNPA	27.4.1 To make improvements to several places where people walk on the main road between Public Rights of Way	27.4.1 Seek creation agreement with landowner 27.4.2 If agreement reached for required works to have been programmed	27.4.1 27.4.2 CCA ITG	Resource implication is medium.

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		<p>27.5 Implementation of high-scoring footpath requests</p>	<p>27.5 LDNPA CCC National Trust Other landowners User groups Parish Councils Other stakeholders</p>	<p>27.5.1 Work with landowners to progress top scoring projects</p> <p>27.5.2 Plan for legal work to create links</p> <p>27.5.3 Consult with users and local community on upgrades</p> <p>27.5.4 Plan any work on the ground</p>	<p>27.5.1 Two links are created (Cumbria-wide)</p> <p>LDNPA potential project list:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Troutbeck roadside 2. Caldbeck to Heskett Newmarket 3. Bootle to Bootle Station 4. Newby Bridge to Fell Foot 5. Tongue Gill, Grasmere 6. Hawkshead to Outgate (carried over from 2008 – 09) <p>CCC potential project list:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 7. Penruddock School Link 8. Arrowthwaite Wood Improvements (Whitehaven) 9. Cleator Moor – Bowthorn Road route 	<p>27.5.1</p> <p>CCA ITG</p>	<p>Resource implication is medium.</p> <p>Funding and landowners permissions will be required.</p>

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Walkers	<p>28 Short walking routes</p> <p>Identify and promote short (less than half a day) walking routes in and around where people live or visit.</p>	<p>28.1 Agree a set of short walking routes</p>	<p>28.1 Ramblers Association/ Cumbria Countryside Access “Improvement task group” Local community</p>	<p>28.1.1 Agree a set of short walking routes and consult with local community</p>	<p>28.1.1 To agree the set of routes together with local communities</p> <p>28.1.2 To schedule any promotion work</p>	<p>28.1.1</p> <p>28.1.2</p> <p>CCA ITG</p>	<p>Resource implication is small.</p>
Walkers	<p>29 Long-distance walking routes</p> <p>Identify, develop and promote a set of long-distance (over 1 day) walking routes</p>	<p>29.1 Agree set of long-distance walking routes</p>	<p>29.1 Cumbria Countryside Access “promotion task group” Cumbria Tourism</p>	<p>29.1.1 Agree criteria for long-distance walking routes</p>	<p>29.1.1 To identify an agreed set of long – distance routes</p> <p>29.1.2 Promote routes through CCA web site</p> <p>29.1.3 Work with Cumbria Tourism on the promotion of the Cumbria Way</p> <p>29.1.4 Adopt an approach for ‘non-approved’ routes</p>	<p>29.1.1</p> <p>29.1.2</p> <p>29.1.3</p> <p>29.1.4</p> <p>CCA PTG</p>	<p>Resource implication is small.</p>

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		<p>31.2 River Access Working Group to identify opportunities to improve access to and along the River Eden for water based user groups.</p>	<p>31.2 CCC Cumbria Local Access Forum Environment Agency CLA Natural England BCU Angling Associations Canoe Clubs Other stakeholders as appropriate</p>	<p>31.2.1 River Access Working Group to meet at least two times per year.</p> <p>31.2.2 Working group to identify areas of conflict and resolve as appropriate.</p> <p>31.2.3 Working group to identify areas where access can be improved and pursue as appropriate</p>	<p>31.2.1 River Access Working Group to take forward an access improvement project on the River Eden and its major tributaries.</p>	<p>31.2.1</p> <p>CCA ITG</p>	<p>Resource implication is small.</p>
<p>Young people</p>	<p>32 Information and maps for young people</p> <p>Provide information and maps on activities aimed at young people, (for example challenging, exciting, low-cost activities)</p>	<p>32 Web-based information and maps on activities aimed at young people</p>	<p>32.1 CCC Cumbria Tourism LDNPA Cumbria Outdoors Outdoor activity providers YDNPA</p>	<p>32.1.1 Use CCA portal web site to direct young people to relevant information web portal</p>	<p>32.1.1 To have the CCA portal web site and relevant links in place</p>	<p>32.1.1</p> <p>CCA PTG</p>	<p>Resource implication is small / medium.</p>

ROWIP glossary

AONB – Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty

There are three AONBs covering parts of Cumbria:

- The North Pennines AONB,
- The Solway Coast AONB and
- Arnsdale and Silverdale AONB.

The National Parks and Access to the Countryside Act established the designation of precious and distinctive landscapes as either AONBs or National Parks, depending on differences in size, scale, and aims.

AWAZ -

Is the voice and social network of the Black Minority Ethnic community in Cumbria. <http://www.ruraldiversity.net/awaz/> for further information.

B4 network – B4 stands for boat, bus, bike and boot

This project was part of the Integrated Access Demonstration Project in the Lake District National Park. Its aim was to provide integrated travel alternatives, encourage sustainable transport and the use of 'modal interchange'. Integration of timetables and through-ticketing worked well, other lessons learned were about the value of a dedicated promoter, regular partnership meetings, and passenger monitoring.

CCC – Cumbria County Council

Is the Highway Authority for public rights of way, and is responsible for access land outside of the national parks. <http://www.cumbria.gov.uk/roads-transport/countrysideaccess/default.asp> for further information.

CLA – Country Land & Business Association

The CLA is the organisation for land owners and rural businesses in England and Wales. <http://www.cla.org.uk/> for more information.

CTC – Cycle Touring Club

Is a UK national cyclists' organisation. <http://www.ctc.org.uk/desktopdefault.aspx?tabid=0> for more information.

Cumbria Outdoors –

Cumbria Outdoors provides the opportunity for young people of all ages in Cumbria to step out of their familiar environment with its routines, restrictions, and responsibilities and gives them many opportunities to experience new and exciting challenges. <http://www.cumbriaoutdoors.com/> for more information.

FLD – Friends of the Lake District

The Friends of the Lake District is a charity that works to protect and enhance the landscape of the Lake District and Cumbria and to promote its understanding and quiet enjoyment. They currently have 7000 members and rely upon their support to help care for this outstandingly beautiful area of international importance. <http://www.fld.org.uk/> for more information.

FSC – Field Studies Council

The Field Studies Council is an environmental education charity committed to helping people understand and be inspired by the natural world. Thousands of students every year experience the FSC through fieldwork and cross-curricular courses at our network of 17 centres across the UK. <http://www.field-studies-council.org/> for more information.

IMBA – International Mountain Biking Association

The IMBA-UK supports mountain biking in the UK and Ireland, and defends public rights of way for mountain biking. They work to keep trails and public access open by:

- supporting volunteer trail work,
- co-operating with user groups, land managers and public bodies and by
- encouraging responsible riding.

<http://www.imba.org.uk/> for more information.

LAF – Local Access Forum(s)

LAFs are independent advisory bodies established under the Countryside and Rights of Way Act. Their membership (up to 22 members) comes from a broad representative of interests, such as land managers, user groups and nature conservation. They champion the improvement of public access, while having due regard to the needs of land management and nature conservation. There are three Local Access Forums covering Cumbria:

- The Cumbria Local Access Forum www.cumbrialaf.org.uk,
- The Lake District Local Access Forum www.lake-district.gov.uk/index/living_in/local_access_forum.htm, and
- The Yorkshire Dales Local Access Forum www.yorkshiredales.org.uk/local_access_forum

LARA – Land Access and Recreation Association

The Motoring Organisations' Land Access and Recreation Association is an umbrella organisation that brings together the leading national associations in motor sport and recreation. LARA promotes and advocates responsible and sustainable motor sport and recreation, and offers advice and training on all aspects of land use. <http://www.laragb.org/> for more information.

LDNPA – Lake District National Park Authority

Is one of the main partners in this ROWIP and countryside access development work. The LDNPA manages local public rights of way in their area through an agency agreement, and is responsible for open access land in their area.

Miles without Stiles

This is the name given to the barrier-free routes in the Lake District National Park area. Since 1996, the LDNPA has promoted twenty-one routes for people with limited mobility in a booklet and, since 2002, on their website¹². Cumbria County Council is planning to adopt the same scheme.

Natural England –

Natural England was formed in October 2006 following a merger of the Countryside Agency, the Rural Development Service and English Nature. Natural England is committed to conserving and enhancing the natural environment. In terms of Countryside Access, they are the access delivery body for government in the regions. <http://www.naturalengland.org.uk/> for more information.

NFU – National Farmer's Union

The NFU champions British Farming and provides professional representation and services to over 60,000 Farmer and Grower members. <http://www.nfuonline.com/> for more information.

North Yorkshire Outdoor Adventure Group –

The North Yorkshire Outdoor Adventure Group is a sub group of the North Yorkshire Cultural Partnership. Its foundation is in Outdoor Adventure Strategy and its inclusion in the York and North Yorkshire Sub Regional Investment Plan. The Group therefore works towards co-ordinating this activity, and with relevance to this ROWIP, the activity is the planned coast-to-coast mountain bike route.

The Group consists of:

¹² For more information visit http://www.lake-district.gov.uk/index/enjoying/miles_without_stiles.htm

- Yorkshire Forward
- Yorkshire Tourist Board
- North Yorkshire County Council – both the Economic Development and access/rights of way
- Area Tourism Partnership
- North York Moors National Park Authority
- Yorkshire Dales National Park Authority
- North Yorkshire Sport
- Forestry Commission
- Craven College
- Ryedale District Council and Scarborough Borough Council

NYMNPA – North Yorkshire Moors National Park Authority

PROW – Public Rights of Way

Cumbria has one of the longest networks of public rights of way in England and Wales – almost 7500 km. There are four classes of rights of way:

- Footpath (open to walkers),
- Bridleway (open to walkers, horse-riders and cyclists),
- Restricted Byways¹³ and
- Byway (Open to all Traffic).

ROWIP – Rights of Way Improvement Plan (ROWIP)

This is the annual action plan as part of Cumbria's ROWIP. Highway Authorities have a duty under the Countryside and Rights of Way Act to publish a Rights of Way Improvement Plan by November 2007. The Cumbria ROWIP, produced in partnership with the Yorkshire Dales and the Lake District National Park Authorities, and with the full involvement of the Local Access Forums for each of these areas, was launched in July 2007.

Stakeholders –

Stakeholders are any organisation or individual that has an interest in the outcome of a project or decision, or who is

¹³ Introduced by the Countryside and Rights of Way Act 2000 and the Natural Environment and Rural Communities Act 2006. There are currently no 'Restricted Byways' in Cumbria, because all the 'Roads Used as a Public Path' had already been reclassified, although it is possible to create new Restricted Byways in due course.

affected by a project or decision.

TRF – Trail Rides Fellowship -

Trail Riding is the recreational use of Green Roads by motorcycle. The Trail Riders Fellowship is the UK's largest organisation for Trail Riding. Their aim is to conserve our heritage of Green Roads for everyone to enjoy. They promote responsible use through a code of conduct. <http://www.trf.org.uk/> for more information.

Under-Represented Groups -

Natural England have been investigating what can be done to support the participation in outdoor recreation of four under represented groups of people in countryside access. The review itself was a commitment in DEFRA's Rural White Paper in 2000. The action plan is called 'Outdoors for All?' Further information is available at www.countryside.gov.uk/LAR/Recreation/DR/index.asp . The four 'under represented groups' identified are:

- Disabled people,
- Black and minority people,
- People who live in inner-city areas and
- Young people.

YDNPA – Yorkshire Dales National Park Authority

Is one of the main partners in this ROWIP and countryside access development work. The YDNPA manages local public rights of way in their area through an agency agreement, and is responsible for open access land in their area. There are 3 parishes (Sedbergh, Dent, Garsdale) of Cumbria which are inside the YDNPA.