

INTERPRETATION STRATEGY FOR THE ENGLISH LAKE DISTRICT WORLD HERITAGE SITE

Background to current papers and changes since the paper was previously presented to PSV.

This committee previously discussed an early version of the Interpretation Strategy paper in April 2024. At that meeting:

- a) Members approved the draft English Lake District World Heritage Site Interpretation Strategy (Annex 1) for targeted consultation; and
- b) Members delegated authority to the Director of Sustainable Development to make any alterations resulting from the meeting, and any consequential changes for consultation.

Since then, there has been targeted consultation with the Partnership and Business Task Force, as well as Historic England and UNESCO. The version of the Interpretation Strategy before Members is the culmination of those discussions and taking account of requests for amendments and further information.

In essence the Interpretation Strategy has not significantly changed in most of its content, with a few additional examples of existing interpretation and expansion of detail of the World Heritage Site's Outstanding Universal Value. However, the content has been re-ordered and organised to ease use of the document, with an executive summary, stories for interpretation, a proposed delivery approach and appendices, to make it easier to search for relevant content for users.

The significant change has been the preparation of the Action Plan for the delivery of interpretation. Members have not seen this before. The Action Plan sets out what we plan to achieve within the first five years of delivery. This includes detail on budget and monitoring at UNESCO's request. It is a live document, which will be updated and reviewed if further funding opportunities become available and monitored to ensure delivery of the actions.

Background Papers	Interpretation Strategy and Action Plan
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