

THE SOUTH PENNINES PARK

A FIRST FOR THE COUNTRY

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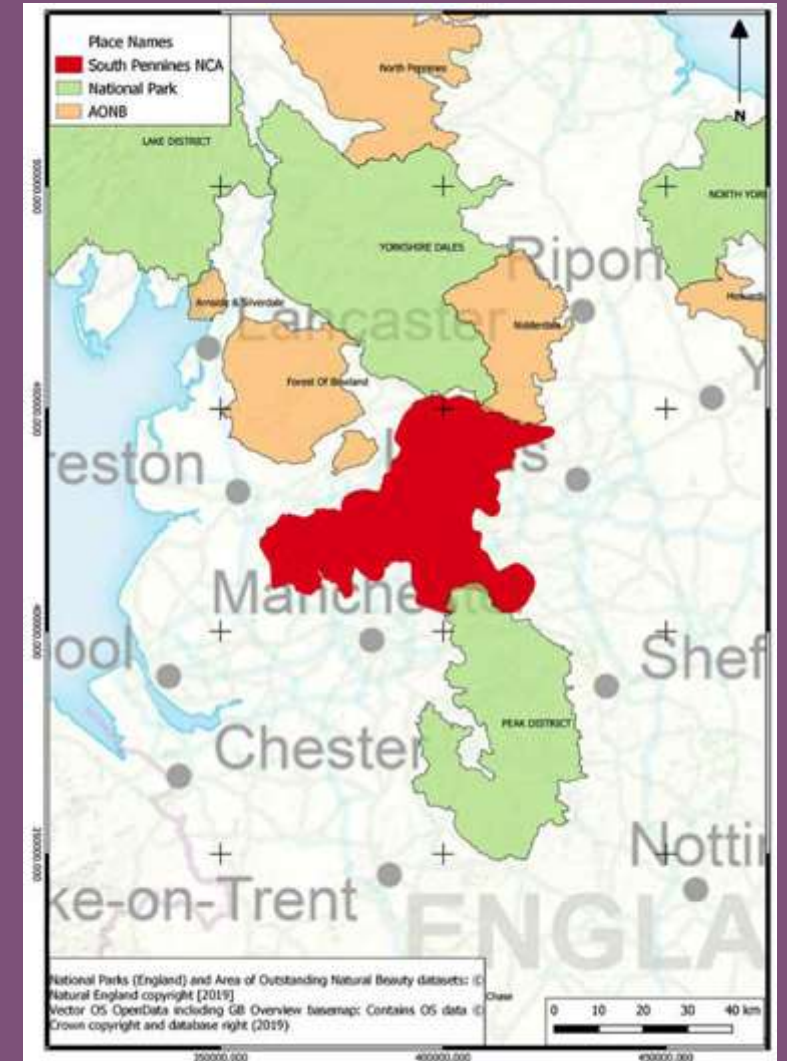
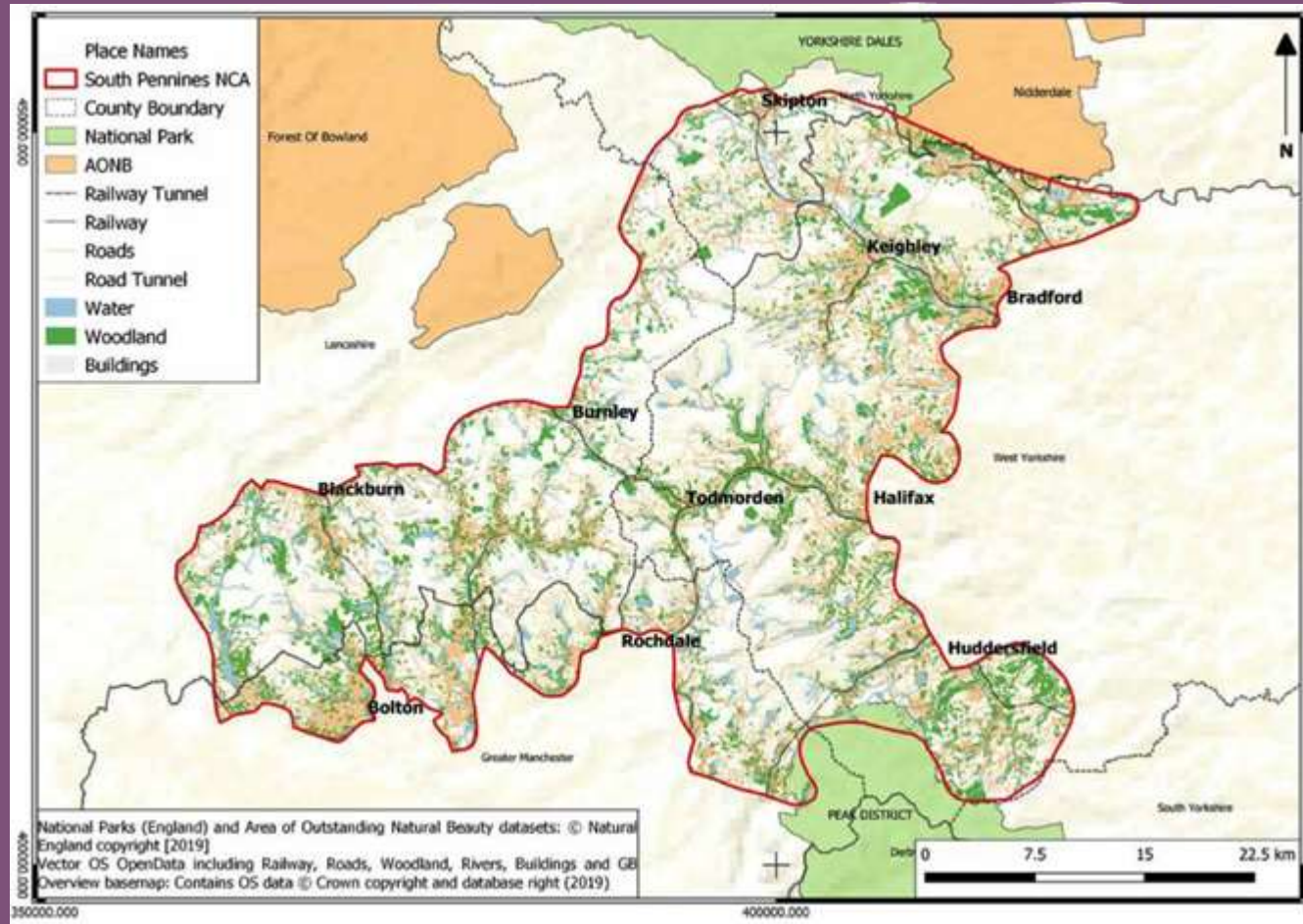


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Championing the South Pennines Park

The South Pennines and its neighbours



Fun facts about the

- 120,000ha
- Over 500,000 people live within the Park
- Over 8m people within half an hour journey to the Park
- 4 motorways running through it
 - M62 highest point in the country
- Bounded by four protected landscapes
- Already designated – NCA 36
- Highest density of PRoWs in the country
- First National Trail running through its heart



We are at a watershed moment

Challenges include delivery of:

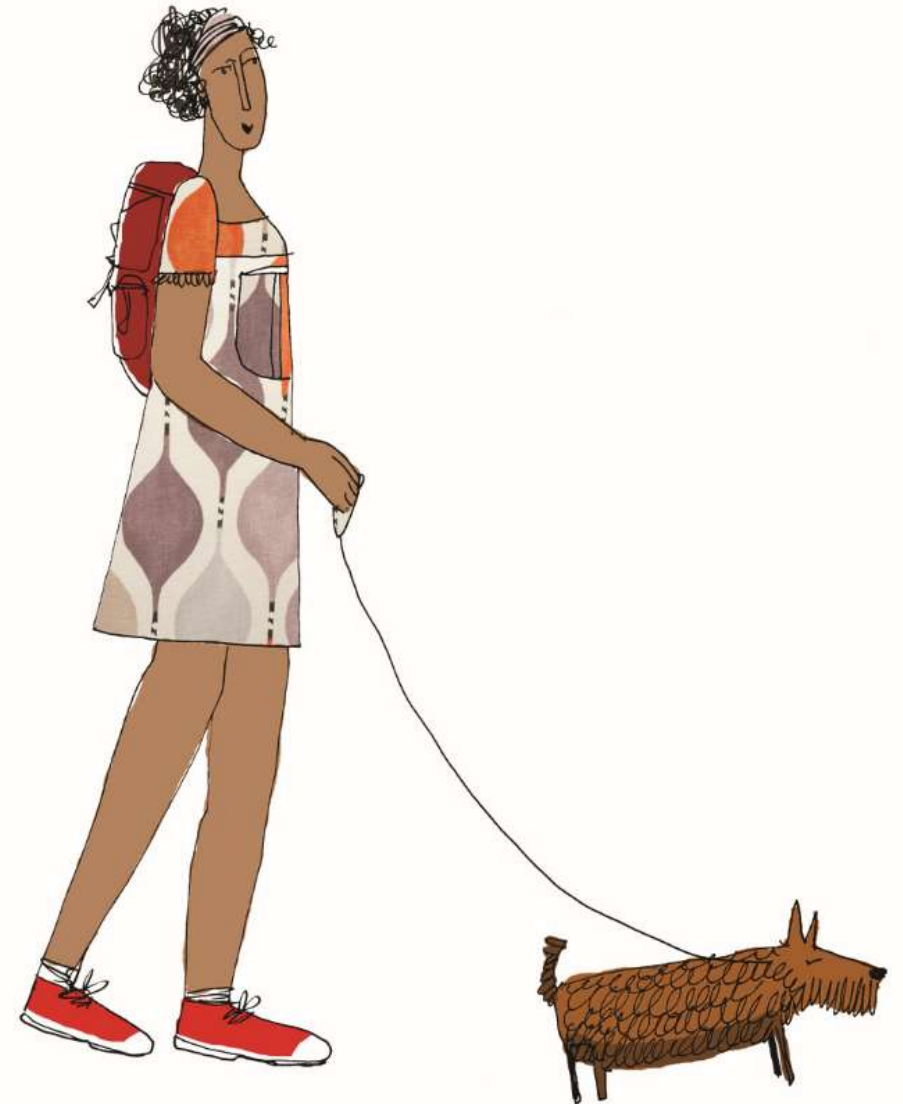
- UN Sustainable Development Goal
- 25year Environment Plan
- 10year NHS Plan
- Resilient local economies
- Nature Recovery Networks
- Net zero carbon by 2050
- Reconnecting rural and urban communities
- Public investment for public goods
- Glover's review – national landscapes

Our planet
and its people



A Look back to the future

- Hobhouse/Dower Reports – 1940s
- SCOSPA/WPMMC – 1974
- Heritage Strategy - 2001
- Established 2005
- Discussions to designate – up to 2010
- Energy for a South Pennines Regional Park - 2012



What have we done so far

Economy

South Pennines LEADER

- Creating 110 jobs by 2023
- Support 936 businesses
- Attracted match funding of £6.6m

Local distinctiveness programme

- Northern map at stations across SPP
- Handbook for local businesses
- Love the South Pennines website
- Local distinctiveness handbook
- Reservoir Trails

Visitor economy

- Calderdale = 5.6m day visitors p.a. visitor economy worth £298m
- Value across the South Pennines ...?



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Environment

- South Pennines Heritage Strategy
- Watershed landscape - £3.5m
- MoorLIFE 2020 – part of €15m project (£175k for moorland fire prevention programme)
- Celebrating our Woodland Heritage - £500K
- SP Local Nature Partnership – collaborative
- Living Landscape Prospectus
- Science of flooding



What we have done so far

Social

Fly!

- 4k People on celebrating our moors
- 3,800 enjoyed workshops – a partnership with Yorkshire Water

Mini Fly! – 2k people celebrated – a partnership with Canal & River Trust

Walk & Ride – 2k volunteers and counting

Canal Connections – a celebration of our waterways heritage

How Healthy is IT! A pilot project with Calderdale Council

A South Pennines youth leadership panel with Calderdale College





*A landscape where
Conservation and People
lie at the heart of
Sustainable Development*



We need a Park with ambitious purposes

1. To demonstrate a sustainable economic, social and environmental approach to investment at a landscape scale
2. To positively promote the sustainable use of the natural, built and cultural assets of the SPP
3. To champion an inclusive and equal opportunities approach to health and wellbeing benefits from the landscape
4. To work with others to implement innovative approaches to sustainable land management, spatial planning, cultural and economic development
5. To invest in young people's potential to become the next generation of environmental advocates

Our Roadmap is THE 3Rs

Recognition

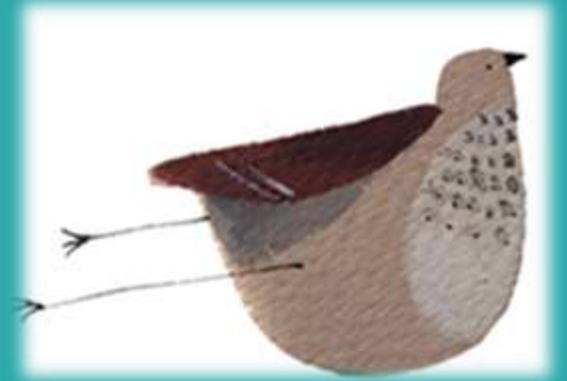
The significance of this undesignated landscape for the millions who live in and around it

Respect

From society at large as we deliver an inclusive approach to managing our landscape

Resources

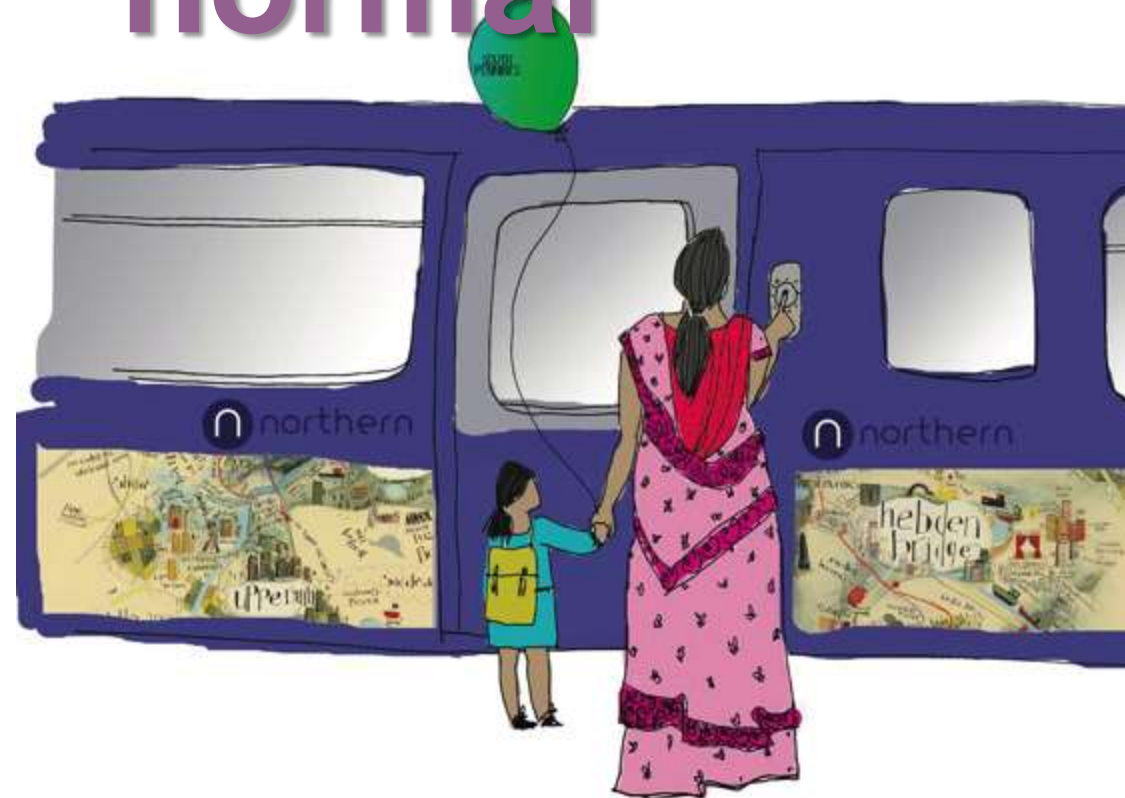
Public monies for public benefit and a new way of funding environmental gain



A Park that delivers ...

- Collaboratively for nature and people
- A new way of funding sustainable development
- A triple bottom line approach
- Public benefits for all
- The most accessible countryside in the UK
- A manifesto written by young people for young people

Investing
in a new
normal



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