

**CAIRNGORMS NATIONAL PARK AUTHORITY  
FINANCE COMMITTEE**

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**FOR DECISION**

**Title:                   RATIFICATION OF PREVIOUSLY APPROVED  
EXPENDITURE PROPOSALS**

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**Purpose**

To summarise expenditure that has been approved by the Finance Committee since their last meeting on 10 February 2006.

**Recommendations**

- That the Committee formally approve the expenditure detailed in para.1 that it has previously approved by e-mail outwith the normal quarterly meetings.

**Executive Summary**

- a) The Authority's Financial Memorandum sets out the monetary level above which expenditure needs to be approved by the Finance Committee as a means of internal control. This primarily relates to the award of grants or consultancies valued at more than £10,000 used in meeting the Operational Plan.
  - b) Since the Committee meets quarterly there will be instances when expenditure needs to be approved between meetings. At their meeting in August 2004 the Finance Committee agreed this could be done via e-mail and that a summary of the proposals agreed in this manner would be presented to the next scheduled meeting of the Committee.
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### Proposals previously agreed by e-mail

1. Since the Finance Committee meeting on 10 February 2006 the following expenditure plans have been submitted to the Committee by e-mail for approval:

	Expenditure	Head of Group	Date circulated	£'000	E-mail approval received
(a)	National Parks Marketing Activity	A. Harper	16 Feb	15	Yes
(b)	River Dee Catchment Plan	D. Bale	16 Feb	18	Yes
(c)	Butterflies & Moths	D. Bale	16 Feb	27	Yes
(d)	Interim Ranger Service funding	M. Ferguson	22 Feb	20	Yes
(e)	CNP Introductory Leaflet	M. Ferguson	22 Feb	11	Yes
(f)	Audit of the Historic Environment	A. Harper	31 Mar	17	Yes
(g)	Cross Park bus service	A. Harper	24 Apr	13	Yes

2. The above expenditure received approval. Once a majority of responses in favour were received the expenditure proposals were authorised to proceed. There were no votes against.
3. All the above expenditure plans have been submitted to our Sponsoring Department and approved by them.

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