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Operational Plan – Annex 1

Nature

NPPP	Draft Corporate Plan	Draft Corporate Plan	Head of	Financial	Staff Resource
Objective	Direct Delivery	Indirect Delivery	Service Lead	Resource 23/24	23/24 FTE
A1 – Net zero	Delivering baseline report, monitor and annually report on progress towards CNP achieving net-zero and subsequently acting as a carbon sink Lead on delivering Cairngorms 2030, empowering people to contribute to net zero ambitions	Park Authority will work with partners including SG to establish a Community Climate Action Hub.	Gavin Miles		0.25
	Deliver 1,000 ha of new or expanded woodland	CNPA will inspire, encourage and provide	Colin McClean	£10k - woodland Challenge Fund	1.0

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A2 – Woodland expansion	with new and innovative uses of the Forest Grant Scheme as part of Cairngorms 2030. Promote and administer a Woodland Challenge Fund to support land managers in the preparation of FGS applications.	advice on woodland creation, potential forestry applications & forest plans in the Park to landowners and Scottish Forestry in line with NPPP, Cairngorms Nature & Cairngorms Forest Strategy.			
A3 – Peatland restoration	Support and finance the restoration of peatland, with 6,500 hectares restored by 2027	Peatland skills training programme to be developed with partners Guidance on integration of peatland and woodland to be developed with partners including how to protect from herbivores.	Colin McClean	Peatland Restoration Budget	7.6

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Objective	Direct Delivery	Indirect Delivery	Service Lead	Resource 23/24	23/24 FTE
A4 – Deer and herbivore impacts	Work with Deer Management Groups, as part of Cairngorms 2030, to deliver strategic land management plans to support a reduction in deer numbers. Investigate and trial models which achieve policy outcomes and retain skills and employment in the sector Investigate the efficacy and practicalities of	CNPA will work with partners on the Strategic Board and Working Groups in implementing recommendations from the Deer Working Group.	Colin McClean	£40K - future models work	0.6
	measures used in assessing impacts				
A5 – Moorland management	Lead the East Cairngorms Moorland Partnership (ECMP) as a	Contribute to the development and	Colin McClean	£40K - ECMP projects	0.6

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Objective	Direct Delivery	Indirect Delivery	Service Lead	Resource 23/24	23/24 FTE
	demonstration of sustainable moorland management delivering both public and private interests.	implementation of grouse moor licensing Coordinate and support Cairngorms Upland Advisory Group			
A6 – Gamebird management	Establish baseline and assess impact of gamebird releases on native biodiversity. Produce report & recommendations on potential options based on impact assessment.		Colin McClean	£30K - Impact Study	0.2
A7 – Fire management	Develop an integrated wildfire management plan Establish a baseline of deep peat	Contribute to the development and implementation of muirburn good practice and licensing regime and clear communication about the risk of fires	Colin McClean		0.2

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Objective	Direct Delivery	Indirect Delivery	Service Lead	Resource 23/24	23/24 FTE
		and appropriate behaviour.			
A8 – Farming	Complete pilot RLUP and RLUF Lead oversight of delivery of Cairngorms Nature Action Plan Deliver Cairngorms 2030 Future Farming projects supporting farmers in achieving carbon neutrality and helping address the twin crises in the context of a profitable farm business.	Coordinate and support Cairngorms Nature partnership and Cairngorms Upland Advisory Group Work with partners to support farmers and crofters through transitions	Sarah Henshall	£42k - project support	1.4



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Objective	Direct Delivery	Indirect Delivery	Service Lead	Resource 23/24	23/24 FTE
A9 – Freshwater systems	Deliver Cairngorms 2030 Climate Resilient Catchment projects demonstrating restoration complimentary to surrounding land use that benefits communities and wildlife.	Support Catchment Management Partnerships and Fisheries Boards	Sarah Henshall	£60k -Catchment management partnership support £67k - restoration projects £38K - survey & monitoring	1.2
A10 – Ecological network	Design, deliver and showcase a template for Nature Networks to guide habitat restoration priorities and support land use decision making. Develop, publicise and administer a system for encouraging land managers to engage	Encourage using test cases in the National Park to develop new thinking and models for the role of designated sites in meeting the nature and climate crises	Sarah Henshall	£50k - Aspen Project £53k - Other ecological network project support and mapping	2.4



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	with creating Nature Networks including a call for sites.				
A11 - Ecological restoration	Define and establish a baseline on land managed principally for ecosystem restoration. Encourage more land in the National Park to be managed principally for ecosystem restoration to meet the target in the Park Plan.	Showcase ecological restoration through landscape scale partnerships in the Park Contribute to the development and implementation of 30 x 30	Sarah Henshall	£20k - Spey restoration study Other project support, communication and engagement activities - £80K ECMP ref A5	0.2
A12 – Cairngorms Nature Index	Design, deliver and showcase a Cairngorms Nature Index	Support Cairngorms Nature partnership	Sarah Henshall	£50k - Cairngorms Nature Index £15k - other project investment	1.8



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Objective	Direct Delivery	Indirect Delivery	Service Lead	Resource 23/24	23/24 FTE
	Establish a biological data portal				
A13 – Species recovery	Lead on beaver reintroduction.	Coordinate and support the Cairngorms Nature partnership and delivery	Sarah Henshall	£65k -Cairngorms Nature projects	7.1
	Lead on a capercaillie emergency plan and long	of the Cairngorms Nature Action Plan.		£45k - Raptor project	
	-term strategy.	Foster collaboration with		£33k - Beaver reintroduction project	
	Lead on the Cairngorms raptor project.	Police Scotland, Raptor Study Groups and land		support	
		managers		£60k - Other project investment including Caper emergency plan	



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A14 – Green investment	Pilot approaches to blended public and private finance to deliver net zero and biodiversity targets, whilst also providing long-term benefits for land managers, investors and local communities.	Support restoration activities at scale via landscape partnerships.	Andy Ford	£20k - Pilot projects	0.6



People

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Objective	Plan Direct Delivery	Plan Indirect	Service	Resource 23/24	Resource
		Delivery	Lead		23/24
B1: Working- age population	Deliver and monitor Local Development Plan 2021 Lead development of new Local Development Plan Lead the coordination and development of Cairngorms Youth Action Team	Promote development of sites within LDP Work in partnership with LAs to promote coordinated delivery of LDP Support partners delivering green skills youth apprenticeship or equivalent skills and training initiatives.	Gavin Miles	LDP costs under Place (C1) Cairngorms Youth Action Team supported via CLLD funding	0.5
B2: Wellbeing economy	Lead the development of Cornerstone Indicators	Promote accreditation schemes to promote	Gavin Miles	(Budget requirement shown under B4)	0.6

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Objective	Plan Direct Delivery	Plan Indirect	Service	Resource 23/24	Resource
		Delivery	Lead		23/24
	Lead development of Wellbeing Economy Action Plan to integrate economic and community-led development	equalities and equal opportunities Coordinate and support Economic Steering Group			
B3: Real Living Wage	Promote the development of Real Living Wages through Economic Steering Group as part of Wellbeing Economy Action Plan	Contribute to research on Real Living Wage and support initiatives to increase participation	Murray Ferguson		0.1

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Objective	Plan Direct Delivery	Plan Indirect	Service	Resource 23/24	Resource
		Delivery	Lead		23/24
B4: Skills and training	Develop CNPA as exemplar of good practice in youth training and skills – emphasis on Planning Service, Peatland, Ranger Service and Outdoor Access and Corporate functions	Financially support targeted skills initiatives, mentoring schemes and collaborative business organisations (e.g. Growbiz, Countryside Learning Scotland, Cairngorms Business Partnership) Promote scholarships and training opportunities	Gavin Miles	£90k - Grants to community focused organisations including Cairngorms Business Partnership Trainee ranger £ shown under C9	1.5 Ranger trainees
B5: Community assets and land	Coordinate and promote the development of Local Action Plans/ Local Place Plans	Promote LCS Guidance through all partnership work	Gavin Miles	Funding to come from B7	0.2

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Objective	Plan Direct Delivery	Plan Indirect	Service	Resource 23/24	Resource
		Delivery	Lead		23/24
	Deliver Cairngorms 2030 projects – community managed grant scheme; effective community engagement, etc.	Coordinate and promote the development of community owned or managed assets in the Park.			
B6: New approaches to citizen participation	Deliver Cairngorms 2030 projects – community managed grant scheme; effective community engagement, etc	Support development of training for community participation in planning.	Gavin Miles		0.2
B7: Community- led planning and development	Coordinate and promote the development of Local Action Plans/ Local Place Plans Act as accountable body or other supporting role as required to underpin	Influence strategic development of national focus on and design of CLLD to secure an adequate level of resourcing which continues to focus on Cairngorms NP as an	Gavin Miles	£87k - Grants to community led organisations £20k - direct support for community projects	2.4

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Objective	Plan Direct Delivery	Plan Indirect	Service	Resource 23/24	Resource
		Delivery	Lead		23/24
	delivery of Community Led Local Development (CLLD) in Cairngorms.	administrative boundary.		£20k - Local Place Plans support	
				£300k - CLLD Grant funding via Cairngorms Trust	
B8: Gaelic	Develop the Gaelic	Promote Gaelic	Olly Davies		0.1
language and culture	Language Plan for CNPA Lead development and delivery of Active Cairngorms Action Plan	especially though work on sustainable tourism, community development and relevant heritage			
	Deliver Cairngorms 2030 projects – Green Health	projects Support suitable initiatives through grant aid and advice			
B9: Mental	Lead development and	Support suitable	Colin Simpson	£10k - Health Walks	0.6
and physical health	delivery of Active Cairngorms Action Plan	initiatives through grant aid and advice			

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Objective	Plan Direct Delivery	Plan Indirect	Service	Resource 23/24	Resource
		Delivery	Lead		23/24
	Deliver Cairngorms 2030 projects – Green Health				
B10: A Park for All	Lead on developing delivering new Active Cairngorms Action Plan Deliver the Strategic Tourism Infrastructure Plan and Sustainable Tourism Action Plan. See B1 above re Youth Action Team	Promote suitable schemes and information Support suitable projects and initiatives through grant aid and advice	Kate Christie Colin Simpson	Budgets allocated under individual actions	0.6

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NPPP	Draft Corporate	Draft Corporate	Head of	Financial	Staff
Objective	Plan Direct Delivery	Plan Indirect	Service	Resource 23/24	Resource
		Delivery	Lead		23/24
	Develop Equalities Mainstreaming Report and Plan Refresh and promote Park for All campaign Lead coordination of Equalities Advisory Panel				
B11: Volunteering and outdoor learning	Lead on delivering new Active Cairngorms Action Plan Lead on recruitment/ training/ coordination of volunteers to care for Park	Work in partnership with landowners, communities and Third sector bodies to use volunteers to care for the Park	Colin Simpson	£25k - junior rangers / JMA / education £55k - volunteer coordination & inclusion support	1.25



Place

NPPP	Draft Corporate Plan	Draft Corporate	Head of	Financial	Staff
Objective	Direct Delivery	Plan Indirect	Service Lead	Resource 23/24	Resource
		Delivery			23/24
C1: Access	Deliver and monitor Local	Promote need for	Gavin Miles	£20k - LDP viability	3.1
to housing	Development Plan (LDP)	investment in		review	
	2021	public/community			
		ownership of land.			
	Lead development of new	NA/a wik sociala la a asi			
	Local Development Plan.	Work with local authorities to			
	Coordinate community-led	purchase housing land			
	housing network	through local housing			
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		strategic housing			
		investment plans.			
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		Support community			
		and business housing			
		projects and initiatives			
		through grant aid and			
		advice.			



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Objective	Direct Delivery	Plan Indirect	Service Lead	Resource 23/24	Resource
		Delivery			23/24
C2: New housing	Deliver and monitor Local Development Plan 2021 Lead development of new Local Development Plan. Coordinate community-led housing network	Promote need for investment in public/community ownership of land. Work with local authorities to purchase housing land through local housing strategies and strategic housing investment plans. Support community and business housing projects and initiatives through grant aid and advice.	Gavin Miles	£20k - Community Housing Support	0.4

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Objective	Direct Delivery	Plan Indirect	Service Lead	Resource 23/24	Resource
		Delivery			23/24
		Support development and and monitoring of mechanisms to promote housing for living working in Park			
C3: Housing and community benefit	Lead development of new Local Development Plan Coordinate community-led housing network	Share best practice and sources of funding with communities. Promote need for investment in public/community ownership of land.	Gavin Miles	Funding would come from B7	0.1
		Work with local authorities to purchase housing land through local housing			

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Objective	Direct Delivery	Plan Indirect	Service Lead	Resource 23/24	Resource
		Delivery			23/24
		strategies and strategic housing investment plans. Support community and business housing projects and initiatives through grant aid and advice.			
C4. Village and town centres	Promote regeneration through Wellbeing Economy Action Plan and Community Action Plans Lead development of new Local Development Plan	Financially support targeted initiatives and collaborative business organisations (e.g. Growbiz, Countryside Learning Scotland, Cairngorms Business Partnership)	Gavin Miles	Funding would come from B7	0.4

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		Delivery			23/24
	Deliver Cairngorms 2030 projects – active travel, community grant scheme	Participate in Scotland's Towns Partnership scheme Support suitable projects and initiatives through grant aid and advice			
C5: Visitors to the National Park	Deliver Sustainable Tourism Action Plan (TAP) and Strategic Tourism Infrastructure Plan.	Support projects to develop the legacy of previous projects to develop the Park (eg Badenoch; The Storylands, Dark Skies	Gavin Miles	£20k - Deliver TAP £20k - STEAM/SPAN & visitor surveys	1



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Objective	Direct Delivery	Plan Indirect	Service Lead	Resource 23/24	Resource
		Delivery			23/24
	Lead the development of	Park, Snow Roads,			
	Active Cairngorms Action	etc)			
	Plan				
		Use digital technology			
	Undertake visitor surveys	to monitor and			
	and collate and share visitor	influence visitor			
	data.	distribution and			
		behaviour			
		Support suitable			
		initiatives through			
		grant aid and advice			
C6: A	Deliver Sustainable Tourism	Support suitable	Gavin Miles	Covered by C5	0.2
sustainable	Action Plan and Strategic	projects and initiatives			
destination	Tourism Infrastructure Plan.	through grant aid and			
		advice			

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Objective	Direct Delivery	Plan Indirect	Service Lead	Resource 23/24	Resource
		Delivery			23/24
	Deliver Cairngorms 2030 projects – active travel, community grant scheme				
C7: Transport to and around the Park	Deliver Strategic Tourism Infrastructure Plan. Deliver Cairngorms 2030 projects – active travel, community grant scheme, Glenmore Transport project.	Support suitable projects and initiatives through grant aid and advice Promote need for investment	Colin Simpson	Included under C8	1.1
C8: Accessible	Deliver Strategic Tourism Infrastructure Plan	Work in partnership with CBP to increase	Colin Simpson		4.5



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Objective	Direct Delivery	Plan Indirect	Service Lead	Resource 23/24	Resource
		Delivery			23/24
path and cycle network	Develop and deliver Active Cairngorms Action Plan — including proposals to reduce disturbance to key species and habitats. Lead on planning and investment in the Speyside Way Long Distance Route Deliver Cairngorms 2030 projects — active travel, community grant scheme.	the promotion and business engagement in the Speyside Way Work to support community path groups See B11 on volunteering		£375k - capital for VIIP including digital infrastructure £165k - maintenance and improvement £50k - Active travel	
C9: High- quality	Deliver Strategic Tourism Infrastructure Plan	Assist HIE in delivery of the Cairngorm Mountain Masterplan.	Colin Simpson	£180k - partner ranger grants	12.7

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Objective	Direct Delivery	Plan Indirect	Service Lead	Resource 23/24	Resource
		Delivery			23/24
visitor experience	Develop and deliver Active Cairngorms Action Plan. Directory deliver CNPA Ranger Service and coordinate and support family of Ranger Services	Assist CBP to ensure promotion of accessible facilities to visitors.			
C10: Cultural heritage	Lead the development of Cairngorms Cultural Heritage network as part of Wellbeing Economy Action Plan with focus on community involvement and interpretation	Support suitable initiatives through grant aid and advice See B8 on Gaelic Language and Culture	Gavin Miles	£15k - Contract to support heritage network	0.2

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Corporate Objectives: Organisational and Communications

Draft Corporate Plan	Draft Corporate	Draft Corporate	Head of	Financial	Staff
Objective	Plan Direct	Plan Indirect	Service Lead	resource 23/24	resource
	Delivery	Activity			23/24
Planning Service	Deliver Development Management Service	See Nature, People and Place	Gavin Miles	£30k - service improvements	7.6
	Deliver Local			and project support	
	Development Plan			£30k - legal	
	Monitoring & Enforcement Service Improvement			£40k - eplanning	
Coordinating delivery, monitoring and evaluation of the NPPP delivery	Develop and implement effective NPPP performance management framework.	Influence and advise on partners' resourcing and delivery plans as they relate to Cairngorms investment and activity.	David Clyne (Project management Office)		2.5

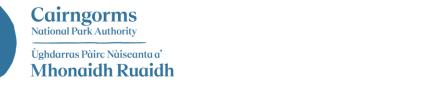


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Objective	Plan Direct	Plan Indirect	Service Lead	resource 23/24	resource
	Delivery	Activity			23/24
The best small public body in Scotland to work for	HR and wider organisational policy and procedures are in place which reflect and where appropriate go beyond national policy, industry standards and staff feedback, and thereby contribute to positive overall staff survey feedback and engagement. Meet the unique and diverse needs of all staff. Achieve recruitment and retention targets, as well as absence		Kate Christie	£70k - Facilities Improvements £13k - organisational development actions £70k - Audio visual / ICT investment	7

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Objective	Plan Direct	Plan Indirect	Service Lead	resource 23/24	resource
	Delivery	Activity			23/24
	and staff safety standards.				
	Achieve equalities targets and delivery of equality outcomes				
A responsive, effective accountable body for the community led local development (CLLD) programmes we support	Provide Accountable Body Services: financial stewardship, governance, HR and organisational support.	Influence the development of national CLLD policy: Recognise NP as a distinct CLLD area and achieve funding aspirations.	David Cameron		0.9
Lead successful delivery of the Heritage Horizons: Cairngorms 2030 programme	Programme Delivery Phase Bid approved. Programme milestones met. Programme performance		David Clyne		5
	performance management				



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Objective	Plan Direct	Plan Indirect	Service Lead	resource 23/24	resource
	Delivery	Activity			23/24
	framework shows effective delivery of agreed programme outcomes.				
Effectively communicate the work of the Park Authority and partners in delivering the NPPP.	New Comms and Engagement strategy delivered aligned to NPPP objectives. Comms activity coordinated across a range of channels, matched to specific audiences and desired outcomes (incl. behaviour change).	Work with partners to establish regular sharing of key successes / project activities. Demonstrating value of partnership with CNPA, encouraging others to collaborate.	Oliver Davies	£115k - new website plus current hosting / maintenance £68k - non web publications and interpretation and media activity £57K - Nature Festival & Nature	5.5
Celebrate the diversity of	Refresh the 'Park for	Providing a platform for under-	Oliver Davies	£5k - Gaelic	2.7
stakeholders that live, visit and work in the National	All' campaign.	represented		Language Plan	



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Objective	Plan Direct	Plan Indirect	Service Lead	resource 23/24	resource
	Delivery	Activity			23/24
Park through our comms activity.	Deliver specific comms campaigns aligned to our Public Sector Equalities Duty (including LGBTI communities, ethnic minorities and audiences with disabilities).	individuals / communities of interest to share their stories. Providing advice and training for key partners on how to adopt a similar approach.		£60k - stakeholder engagement and accessibility work £50k - communications, surveys	
Implement robust, effective and efficient internal control and administration systems supporting delivery of our corporate objectives	Scheduled review and renewal of policies and procedures. External review mechanisms support policy development. Agreed recommendations acted on within timetable.	Implement robust, effective and efficient internal control and administration systems supporting delivery of our corporate objectives	Louise Allen Kate Christie	£55k - data management and business continuity planning outsourced support £20k - UKNP/NPP	10.8



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Objective	Plan Direct	Plan Indirect	Service Lead	resource 23/24	resource
	Delivery	Activity			23/24
	Data management and IT services transitioned to fully support hybrid and cloud based working.			£63k - IT hardware and software replacement and renewal £50k Shared services support with Loch Lomond	