



Consultative Panel

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Greener, Wilder and More Accessible



Wildfire Incident

Big thank you from us to all the Emergency Services, FE, Communities, HCC / NFDC, Businesses, Visitors

- Now moved from initial incident phase (strategic / tactical / media) to recovery phase – Recovery Coordinating Group chaired by Kate Ryan, NFDC
- RCG has subgroups looking specifically at Environment, Business & Economy and Communities – all three met for first time last week
- Local Resilience Forum – Debrief / lessons to learn, starting early October. Needs to also be covered at a local, organisational, individual level too.

NPA General Updates

Annual Review 2025/26 – published and on our website: [Annual Review Link](#)

New Forest Show – What do you want the Forest to be / look like in 2050...leads into our new Partnership Plan work. Welcomed Stephen Morgan MP, farming minister @ defra. We also won the Maldwin Drummond Cup for best stand.

Youth for Climate & Nature (YouCAN) – Lottery-funded project officially ended last week; however, we have secured some additional 'ending well' funding c£120k for all partners and have bid for a further 5 years of similar funding.

Busy Summer Period – with partners we ran our usual Care for the Forest engagement and NF Code campaigns.

Partnership Plan 2027-2032



Wiltshire Council



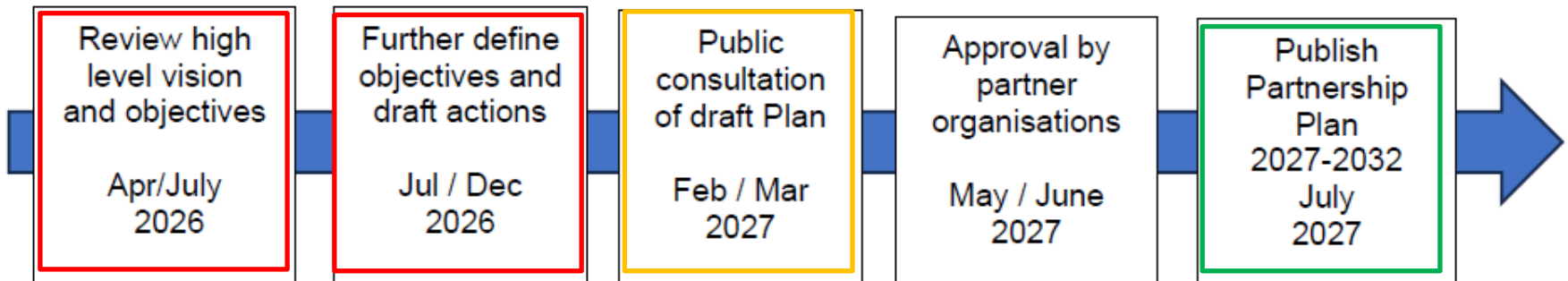
What is it?

- Plan for the place (not our Authority) - actions and outcomes agreed by key Forest partners and monitored by an Officers group and Leaders panel

Details:

- Was widely refreshed and reformatted for 2022-27
- Need to consider on-the-ground changes since this time
- Consider impacts of Devolution & Local Govt Re-organisation
- 160+ page Defra guidance on 'Management Plans'

Timescales / Opportunities to get involved:



PEDALL (plug!)

[Pass the PEDALL '26 | Inclusive Cycling Festival, New Forest](#)



Welcome to Pass the PEDALL Festival 2026

Calling all pedallers! Join us on Saturday 26th September 2026 at New Park, Brockenhurst, for Pass the PEDALL 2026 – a celebration of inclusive cycling in the New Forest and the final push towards our goal of cycling a combined 10,000 km and raising £10,000 for PEDALL.

This one-day fundraising community event is all about cycling for everyone, regardless of ability. Help us raise funds and awareness for PEDALL, an inspiring initiative that supports riders with additional needs in the beautiful New Forest. Whether you are a cycling enthusiast, a local business, or simply someone passionate about cycling for all, there is something for everyone at this fun-filled day!

Thank You

Any Questions??

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