



NATURAL ASSETS WORKING GROUP

10am 13/12/17

Cowpen Bewley Woodland Park (signed off the A1185)

Invited	Graham Megson, Hartlepool Borough Council; Simon Blenkinsop, Middlesbrough Borough Council; Fiona Hurworth, Redcar & Cleveland Borough Council; Dave Askey, Stockton Borough Council; Martin Allen, independent ecologist; Jeremy Garside, Tees Valley Wildlife Trust; Dennis Ncube, TVWT volunteer & post grad in Conservation Ecology
Apologies	INCA rep (all 3 are unable to attend this time but are keen in future attendance)
Chair	Phil Roxby, Darlington Borough Council
Secretariat	Rachel Murtagh, Tees Valley Nature Partnership

Agenda Item	Notes
NA/01.01.17	Minutes and Matters arising. Quick review of the last meeting notes TVNP LSWG 18-8-16
NA/02.01.17	Local sites in positive management - updates from each of the 5 Local Authority areas
NA/03.01.17	New sites, site amendments and potential sites: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Proposed new LWS'. Tees Valley airport, Lower Ormesby Beck • Destruction/damage of LWSs; Close Wood Complex, Newton Hanzard Meadow, Skelton Ellers
NA/04.01.17	Review of the Tees Valley BAP where to now in the light of the NERC act, emerging Local Plans and NPPF etc – Jeremy is tasked with advising the TVNP steering group with this.
NA/05.01.17	Develop/commission TV wide biodiversity offsetting policy for use in planning (we have an action in our partnership issues changes & actions log to do this) – Discuss! Perhaps a discussion in light of the habitat banking that is being developed by INCA.
NA/06.01.17	Adoption of Tees Valley-wide biodiversity indicators? Discussion on how they would be used and where they would be published (local plans/TVNP annual report etc.)
NA/07.01.17	Update on Biodiversity Opportunity Areas & way forward East Cleveland maps being produced, Middlesbrough could follow - we need input into the accompanying statements though.
NA/08.01.17	AOB*
NA/08.01.17	Date, time & location of next meeting 14th March 2018 (time and place likely to be the same)