

An Introduction to



Tees Nature – Local Partnerships Conference

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The Tees Valley Local Access Forum is an independent body with an interest in public Rights of Way and access to the countryside and coast.





We look at how our Local Authorities across the Tees Valley manage our public Rights of Way and we put forward ideas about how our paths could be improved





We also influence national government proposals; recent joint work includes the development of the England Coast Path between Sunderland and Hartlepool and Middlesbrough to Filey Rigg together with Natural England.



**A recent initiative has been the Traffic Lights for Dogs Project,
piloted in Hartlepool and most recently discussed
in The House of Lords**



Would you like to be involved in the future development of the countryside and coast in this area?

Are you a cyclist, equestrian, land manager or walker?





We are hoping to recruit new members to the Tees Valley Local Access Forum – please apply if you are happy to give independent advice to our partner Local Authorities on public rights of way.





**Our present volunteer members are advised and supported by
Cabinet Members and Countryside Access Officers from each our
four Partner Local Authorities**



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We work alongside partners across the Tees Valley including River Tees Re-discovered and the Combined Authority – recently this has included the re-marking and promotion of the Teesdale Way.



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Volunteer members have joined the Forum for a variety of reasons:

- we have a landowner member who farms on the urban fringe who hopes to put forward a broader farming perspective,**
- a keen cyclist who is keen to fill in missing links in the network**
- a disabled user who wants to improve access for people of all abilities**





Joining the Forum as a volunteer member would mean you would have the opportunity to understand access issues, how they can be created and improved; and meet like minded people who have a shared ambition.





If you would like to find out more, please have a look on our web site www.teesvalleylocalaccessforum.co.uk or contact

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