

CYNLLUN

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Cynllun Eryri was adopted by Snowdonia National Park Authority as its statutory (Partnership) Management Plan in October 2020 and officially launched in November 2020. This is the first report of annual progress capturing input from all Partners up to the end of 2021. This period has been an exceptional one for all, and the move to on-line meeting and reporting has encouraged a re-think of methods and approaches. Whilst gathering evidence from Partners, it became obvious that there are outstanding examples of work towards Cynllun Eryri's goals being progressed across the region. It was decided that a new and appropriate way to convey this information would be through the production of micro-website for the Plan, which can be updated by Partners on an annual basis. This is still being refined, but can be viewed here: www.cynlluneryri.org

Partnerships

Within the delivery of Cynllun Eryri, as well as Fforwm Eryri, there are several other Partnerships in existence which are working towards the set objectives, those being:

Partneriaeth Yr Wyddfa/Snowdon Partnership, lead partner SNPA: Tourism Association Betws y Coed; NRW; CESS; FUW; CLA; Partneriaeth Awyr Agored; Cyngor Gwynedd; Cyngor Conwy; NT; Tourism Association Beddgelert; Eryri Bywiol; Hwb Eryri; Rheilffordd Yr Wyddfa; Tîm Achyb Mynydd; NFU; Bukeley Estates; YHA Pen y Pass.

Carneddau Landscape Partnership 2020 - 2025, lead partner SNPA: Core Partners: Cadw, National Trust, Natural Resources Wales, Snowdonia Society. Delivery partners: Abergwyngregyn Regeneration Company; Bangor University (Henfaes Research Centre, University Farm); British Mountaineering Council; Conwy Borough County Council (Conwy Culture Centre); Cyngor Gwynedd; Cymdeithas Enwau Lleoedd / Welsh Place-name Society; Gwynedd Archaeological Trust; Outdoor Partnership; Partneriaeth Ogwen; Penmaenmawr Museum and Historical Society; Plantlife Cymru; PONT Cymru; RSPB; Snowdonia Active; University of Sheffield (Department of Archaeology); Carneddau Pony Association; Farmers' Union Wales; National Farming Union Wales.

Cwm Idwal Partnership, lead partner NT: SNPA & NRW

EU LIFE Celtic Rainforest Project 2020-2025 lead partner SNPA: Welsh Government, RSPB, Woodland Trust.

Local Nature Partnership, Lead Partner SNPA: YNGC/ NWWT; Llais y Goedwig; Cadw Cymru'n Daclus / Keep Wales Tidy; Y Dref Werdd; Cymdeithas Eryri / Snowdonia Society; LNP Cymru; GIG / NHS; BTO; WCVA; Hafal; Cyngor Gwynedd / Gwynedd Council; CNC / NRW; RSPB; Snowdonia Active; Plant Life; Bywyd Gwyllt Glaslyn; Woodland Trust / Coed Cadw; FSC / Rhyd y Creuau; Baileys and Partners; Red Squirrel Survival Trust; Cofnod; HGC / NWP; Coed Lleol Small Woods Wales; Butterfly Conservation; CADW; Mantell Gwynedd; LNP Conwy.

2020-21 was a difficult year for progressing on-the-ground work outlined in the Action Plan of Cynllun Eryri due to the restrictions initiated by the Covid-19 pandemic – therefore several timelines have been reassessed accordingly. The traffic light measurements below reflect this and whether each objective is on track to be delivered within the timeline of the overall plan i.e. by 2025.

Status:  Progressed, within original timelines

 Progressing with reassessed timelines

 Not progressed and/or at risk

Executive summary

In its first year of implementation, a significant degree of progress has been made on the Action Plan of Cynllun Eryri, especially considering the unforeseen impacts of COVID-19 and remote working as a necessity. Fforwm Eryri adapted quickly to online, bi-lingual meetings and has amended its Terms of Reference to ensure that this the preferred mode of operation for at least 3 of its 4 annual meetings. This has facilitated attendance and has avoided the need for all to travel significant distances to meet face to face.

The report details progress by all delivery partners, however in short, from September 2020 – December 2021 the following can be concluded:

Section A Eryri's Environment: We are successfully caring for our natural and historic assets and stunning surroundings.

- Outcome A1: Sustainable Tourism principles are achieved - 3 actions are progressed and are within the original timelines set and 2 are progressing with reassessed timelines.
- Outcome A2: Biodiversity is being maintained and enhanced, whilst the resilience of ecosystems is increased - 3 actions are progressed and are within the original timelines set, 1 is progressing with reassessed timelines and 1 has not been progressed and is at risk.
- Outcome A3: We are prepared for the impacts of climate change and are reducing our carbon footprint - 1 action is progressed and is within the original timeline set and 2 are progressing with reassessed timelines.
- Outcome A4: Snowdonia is at the forefront internationally in successfully tackling invasive species, pests and diseases that impact on native species -1 action is progressed and is within the original timeline set and 2 are progressing with reassessed timelines.
- Outcome A5: Communities, businesses and visitors play an active role in caring for the National Park's landscapes, habitats, wildlife and cultural heritage - 1 action is progressed and is within the original timeline set and 1 is progressing with reassessed timelines.
- Outcome A6: Snowdonia is a leading example in Wales of how to care for and champion cultural heritage and the historic environment - 2 actions are progressed and are within the original timelines set and 1 is progressing with reassessed timelines.
- Outcome A7: Our Special Qualities are well protected - 3 actions are progressed and are within the original timelines set and 3 are progressing with reassessed timelines.

Section B: Eryri's Health and Well-being: Opportunities to learn and discover, and at the same time improve our well-being.

- Outcome B1: The National Park is having a positive impact on Well-Being - 1 action is progressing within the original timelines set and 2 are progressing with reassessed timelines.
- Outcome B2: Residents and visitors can access a variety of routes in the National Park aimed to improve physical and mental health - 1 action is progressed and is within the original timeline set and 2 are progressing with reassessed timelines.
- Outcome B3: Our Special Qualities are widely recognised all 3 actions are progressing with reassessed timelines.
- Outcome B4: Sustainable options for parking and transport are achieved - both actions are progressing with reassessed timelines
- Outcome B5: Our visitor facilities are high quality and landscape sensitive - 1 action is progressing within the original timelines set and 2 are progressing with reassessed timelines.

Section C: Eryri's Communities and Economy: A great place to develop, live and work

- Outcome C1: The language, culture and heritage of Snowdonia is being celebrated, supported and strengthened - all 3 actions are progressing and are within the original timelines set.
- Outcome C2: Jobs and opportunities encourage people to remain in the area – all 3 actions are progressing with reassessed timelines
- Outcome C3: We are implementing solutions for affordable housing to buy and rent – 2 actions are progressing within the original timelines set and 1 is progressing with reassessed timelines.
- Outcome C4: Local communities are supported to thrive in all aspects of well-being – both actions are progressing with reassessed timelines

It is fair to conclude that following 1 year of delivery – in challenging circumstances – progress has been achieved in all areas of the Action Plan of Cynllun Eryri.

However, there has been significant reassessing of timelines and in some cases actions will need to be revised to reflect changing circumstances.

The 2021-2022 review will detail reassessed timelines and will continue to consider any risks posed which could influence the delivery of the full Action Plan by 2025.

Full Report

In this full report, each Outcome is assessed in relation to the Measurements of Success as agreed by all Partners in the original Action Plan of Cynllun Eryri.

Each Outcome begins with an overall assessment, which is coloured according to the traffic light system below.

A detailed reminder of the Action Plan relating to this Outcome and Progress by all Partners follows.

Please note that progress is relating to the time period September 2020-December 2021.

Acronyms used for delivery partners:

Snowdonia National Park Authority: SNPA

Natural Resources Wales: NRW

North Wales Wildlife Trusts: NWWT

Woodland Trust: WT

Coleg Glynllifon: CoG

National Farming Union Wales: NFU Cymru

Country Land and Business Association: CLA Cymru

Snowdonia Active: SA

Special Area of Conservation (SAC) Pen Llŷn a'r Sarnau: PLAS

Conwy County Borough Council: CCBC

Public Health Wales: PHW


Outdoor Partnership: OP

Gwynedd Council: CG

John Muir Trust: JMT

Cymdeithas Eryri / Snowdonia Society: CESS

National Trust: NT

Status:  Progressed, within original timelines

 Progressing with reassessed timelines

 Not progressed and/or at risk

Eryri's Environment: We are successfully caring for our natural and historic assets and stunning surroundings.

OUTCOME A1

Sustainable Tourism principles are achieved.

Are we within our timeline? Yes


Is there anything preventing the outcome being achieved by 2025?

- SNPA/Gwynedd Council MOU has been signed with an end date of 2035 – assessment on progress of this work to take place annually against action points noted in Cynllun Eryri.
- Ongoing investment from WG/TfW and partnership agreements will be needed to maintain the Parking and Transport Strategy roll out – annual assessment of this situation.
- Yr Wyddfa NNR: the lapsed lease means that NRW are unable to undertake or commission works on the Baron Hill compartment.
- The Covid pandemic has had some impact on path improvement works – timeline still achievable at this stage.

Conclusion:

There has been clear progress against all measurements of success within Cynllun Eryri's Action Plan for Outcome A1. The objective remains on track to be achieved by 2025.

Detailed 2020/21 progress report

Outcome no.	Progress status	Overview of Outcome and Actions	Measurements of success	Organisation/s responsible
A1.1		<p>Develop guiding principles and thresholds in relation to visitor impacts on the environment and landscape. The principles will define where further action in the form of area-based management plan is required:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop a heat map • Look at best practice examples from other areas • Define thresholds and principles • Select trial areas to pilot the approach • Where there is environmental capacity and community led desire for an increase in visitors, explore options of redistribution of visitors from areas suffering from overcapacity 	<p>By the end of 2021 a heat map will be produced, thresholds and principles will be defined.</p> <p>A rationale, methodology and results will be presented in a findings report. Strategies will be established based on agreed guiding principles.</p>	<p>SNPA NRW Fforwm Eryri Gwynedd Council Conwy CBC</p>

Progress report: SNPA and Gwynedd Council have signed a MOU to develop and embed Sustainable Tourism principles across the region and begin a programme of work together. New measurements of the impact of Tourism are being developed by SNPA and CG which will feed into heat maps for the region. Timelines for this work will need to be extended as the scope of work has widened and now focuses on developing an holistic set of measurements.

SNPA Comprehensive visitor and residents survey taking place during 2021 results expected early 2022.


***Suggested timeline change to end of 2023.*

A1.2	●	<p>Ensure that uplands paths are well maintained to manage the impacts of erosion and prioritise work based on the number of footpath users:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Establish a multi-organisation working group to coordinate management • Maintain funding and explore new sources (e.g. donations) • Increase the use of volunteers for maintenance work • Build a local contractor base for more skilled work 	Annual assessments of progress will occur, baselines will be established, and sources of funding will be quantified.	SNPA; National Trust; NRW; Snowdonia Society; Conwy County Borough Council; Gwynedd Council; Volunteer Groups; Ramblers Cymru
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Progress report: NRW have agreed priority sections of Mynydd Moel path on Cader Idris with SNPA access team for the first phase of a big path project. Other works include: Rhinogydd NNR minor path works in wet section east of Bwlch Drws Ardudwy; Cwm Idwal NNR: small scale works by the NT team; New access gates installed at the NNR entrance on Llwybr Watkin. New NNR sign in prep.

CESS: have developed and accredited footpath maintenance unit – entry level. Have established an agreement in the south of the Parc – but no funding is attached to this as yet. Also have an annual programme on Snowdon paths, Slate Trail, Lon Gwyrfai, Llwybr Mawddach and Carneddau/Glyderau with NT Staff.

NT: Full time 4-member team prioritising work around Ogwen and Nant Gwynant.

A1.3		<p>Take pragmatic and proactive action to reduce litter:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Research a move towards use of more sustainable packaging in our retail outlets • Research a move to 'plastic free zones' in Snowdonia and identify feasible alternatives • Explore the possibility of developing the first free water-refill village/ region in the National Park • Work with existing litter reduction campaigns and implement messages on a local scale • Continue to work in partnership and with volunteers to keep the National Park free of litter • See also A1.5 	<p>Feasibility studies will identify barriers and procedures necessary for far-reaching behavioural change approaches.</p> <p>Throughout the term of the Plan, local litter reduction campaigns will be successfully launched and their effects will be monitored.</p> <p>Carry out perception studies to measure people's opinion of litter in the area</p>	<p>SNPA; Snowdonia Society; Gwynedd Council; Conwy County Borough Council; NRW; Keep Wales Tidy; National Trust; Plas y Brenin</p>
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Progress report: SNPA programme with Bangor University Behavioural Change Unit & CESS to develop impactful messages regarding litter.


Plastic free Yr Wyddfa scoping study has taken place with recommendations for trialling a plastic-free zone in 2022.

SNPA, CESS, NT and OP developed successful Caru Eryri volunteer programme who have led on litter collection and education over the 2021 season.

CESS: Pioneered use of heatmaps and litter surveys.


CCBC: currently working up schedules for a 3-year programme with Keep Wales Tidy/Welsh Government on the Caru Cymru project which will add value to taking a pragmatic and proactive action to reduce litter. LEADER funding has supported several communities in the SNPA area with Litter Pickers etc so to encourage local people to take pride in their communities and also the social interaction and wellbeing element.

John Muir Trust: conserve Audit of those completing the John Muir Award to feed into measurements from 2022 onwards

A1.4		<p>Reduce the impacts of parking and transport on the environment and landscape:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review public transport and parking in the Snowdon and Ogwen areas to provide and implement recommendations • Establish and agree terms of reference for a transport and parking working group for Snowdonia • Work with Partners to trial greener solutions to public transport • Work with landowners to identify landscape sensitive overflow car parking, in line with LDP policies and as part of traffic management plans • Improve information on sustainable transport options for visitors 	<p>A working group will be established by 2022.</p> <p>Recommendations from the Snowdon Partnership's comprehensive Review of Parking and Transport will be implemented, will be widened to cover the entire National Park area.</p>	<p>SNPA; Gwynedd Council; Conwy County Borough Council; Transport for Wales; North Wales Economic Ambition Board</p>
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Progress report: SNPA - Recommendations from the Snowdon Partnership's comprehensive Review of Parking and Transport are being developed and implemented incrementally in the Yr Wyddfa and Ogwen areas. Investment from Transport for Wales has ensured initial projects are being implemented to align with the North Wales Metro programme in partnership with Gwynedd and Conwy councils. Working group in development.

Fflecsi Dyffryn Conwy a Demand responsive public transport service which replaced 6 poorly supported regular bus services in rural Conwy including Ysbyty Ifan, Penmachno, Nebo, Capel Garmon and Woodbank area of Trefriw late 2020. It integrates with the Sherpa service, the Traws Cymru T10/T3/T19 and the Conwy Valley Railway for onward journeys. A staycation leaflet was produced for Summer 2021 to encourage visitors to take the bus to visitor attractions and walks. The service is also part of the 1Busticket initiative. Regular dialogue continues with TFW to maximise opportunities to work together with mainline transport services to reduce impacts of parking & transport on the environment.

<p>A1.5</p>		<p>Reduce any negative impacts of recreational activities.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Work with relevant partners to ensure a co-ordinated approach for sustainable management of organised events • Work within national partnerships to share good practice • Maintain and implement a Recreation Strategy to sustainably manage any potential conflict between users • Address illegal or damaging off-roading activities by working with legitimate user groups and North Wales Police and Rural Crimes Unit, to encourage sustainable use of the network • Unauthorised access and camping is being addressed to prevent deterioration of protected areas • Facilitate good working relationships between users and land managers e.g. highlight the dangers of dogs off leads and other inappropriate activities • Promotion of Marine Code, and monitor effectiveness. 	<p>By the end of 2021 an update of the 'Guidance for Organised, Competitive, Recreational and Charitable events in the Snowdonia National Park' will be available on SNPA website, with input of relevant partners.</p> <p>Partners are working together to address illegal activities and processes will have been triggered to consider options for SAC sites with qualifying features recorded as 'unfavourable' due to impacts of recreation.</p>	<p>SNPA; NRW; Gwynedd Council; Conwy County Borough Council; National Trust; Snowdonia Society; SAC Pen Llŷn a'r Sarnau (PLAS); Conwy & Gwynedd Safety Advisory Groups; John Muir Trust</p>
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Progress report: SNPA Recreation Strategy is in draft form - timeline to be extended to 2022 for uploading to the website. Ongoing communication and engagement as well as seasonal campaigns regarding fly camping and keeping dogs on leads

Trial of large-scale events registration in the Yr Wyddfa area is being developed in partnership between SNPA and Gwynedd Council

SA: sharing best practice and upskilling outdoor providers via site guides for key venues and iSee guides for different habitat. Delivering the Train the Trainer project for the Carneddau Partnership

SA working with NRW and other stakeholders to establish sustainable recreation within North Wales Gorges (Code of Conduct developed in 2020)

CCBC: 'Sheep grazing' signage has been installed at all access points to try and combat sheep worrying issues and an event has been run with local dog walkers to raise awareness and promote behavioural change.

PLAS SAC: have done a lot of work on the marine code this year. Including: Produce a report on the effectiveness of marine codes of conduct; Generate and install a panel for the code; Collaboration across the counties of north and mid Wales; Commence work on a code leaflet and material to help promote the code; Begin work on producing a new app to promote codes of conduct across Wales; Begin work on identifying opportunities to raise awareness of the code with visitors; Promotional work through social media, website, O Dan y Don magazine, talking to consumers and businesses.

JMT: responsible recreational access is part of John Muir Award leader training

OUTCOME A2

Biodiversity is being maintained and enhanced, whilst the resilience of ecosystems is increased.

Are we within our timeline? Timings will need to be realigned according to developments from Welsh Government, the impact of Covid-19 on practical projects and the recruitment of a new Biodiversity Officer.


Is there anything preventing the outcome being achieved by 2025?

- Action A1.1. is still awaiting strategic guidance from Welsh Government and may need to be revised according to updated Government policy – to reassess in 2021-2
- The Covid-19 Pandemic has had an impact upon delivery of project work, currently being realigned to new timescales.
- Currently advertising for a Biodiversity Officer for Partneriaeth Natur Eryri to fill the empty post as of October 2021. This will have an impact on the timeline proposed in Cynllun Eryri for creating an NRAP for the region. At this point it is still achievable by 2025 but timings in Action Plan will need to be adjusted to reflect this.

Conclusion:

There has been some progress against all measurements of success within Cynllun Eryri's Action Plan for Outcome A2. The objective remains on track to be achieved by 2025.

Detailed 2020/21 progress report

Outcome no.	Progress status	Overview of Outcome and Actions	Measurements of success	Organisation/s responsible
A2.1		<p>A2.1. Co-ordinate an ambitious public goods scheme that focuses on maintaining, restoring and expanding habitats, species, historic environment features and wider public goods.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bring stakeholders together to build a consensus • Define the public goods of Snowdonia • Produce an ambition statement • Carry out a major land mapping process for the current picture of all habitats within the National Park • Research land-use and patterns of change in order to better improve decision making • Assess what has and hasn't worked in previous land management schemes • Create and refine a public goods scheme • Define the role of partners in implementing the scheme • Up-skill the local workforce in order to successfully deliver the scheme 	<p>By 2025 we aim to create a forum and shared ambition statement.</p> <p>We will have produced an asset register of public goods, with land mapping.</p> <p>We will consider current and previous land management practices, assessing their strengths to create and refine a public goods scheme that the Partnership are confident delivering.</p>	<p>Welsh Government and all Partners</p> <p><i>Dependent upon outcomes of Sustainable Farming and Our Land consultation and Brexit negotiations</i></p>

Progress report: Currently out of our control as awaiting of Agriculture Bill (Wales) All relevant partners have responded to Welsh Government Consultations on these issues.


SNPA: Sustainable Farming Scheme early development underway and NP is represented at strategic level for input. Request made to Welsh Gov on support for Feasibility Study into Welsh based Carbon market.

CCBC: responded to the Welsh Government's consultation on the Agricultural White Paper (Wales) in August 2021 which was focussed on Public Goods. Given the impact of COVID19 on supply chains and the integrity of production standards, would like Welsh Government to recognise food security, food safety and maintaining high animal health and welfare standards as key 'public goods' that warrant recognition and support as part of the future farm support scheme. CCBC are responding to a call for evidence on the economic and cultural impacts of trade and environmental policy on family farms in Wales. The Welsh Affairs Committee is conducting a short inquiry to explore the impact of major policy changes (particularly, but not exclusively, international trade and climate change) on family farms in Wales. By 'family farms' the Committee is referring to small and medium sized farms, for example hill farmers, rather than large, industrial size farms. The inquiry will examine the impact of UK Government policies in areas such as international trade and climate change on the societal connections and traditions in these culturally significant farming communities, and question what, if anything, the UK government can do to support these communities, their unique culture and protect this heritage.

FUW has been lobbying and responding to the consultations that have taken place so far. Concerns for the agriculture sector for the future.

UK - Australia agreement likely to be a threat to rural communities.

CLA Cymru as above.

<p>A2.2</p>		<p>Biodiversity decline is being addressed through maintenance, restoration, expansion and connectivity activities.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Funding opportunities are maximised to ensure investment reaches Local Biodiversity Action Plan, and Section 7 habitats and species targets • Work in Partnership to agree appropriate grazing regimes where they are essential to maintain / restore qualifying • features of SAC, SPA and Ramsar sites to a favourable conservation status e.g. Eryri SAC as a priority area • Co-ordinate the production of a • Nature Recovery Action Plan (NRAP) for Eryri to include the most recent data and specific biodiversity targets. • Interpretation activities encourage the understanding and safeguarding of biodiversity amongst local communities and visitors • Establish a Local Nature Partnership to lead on Biodiversity issues for Eryri 	<p>Throughout the Plan designated projects will be seen through to completion and reported upon as appropriate, targeting the management requirements of protected sites and Section 7 species and habitats.</p> <p>Where possible, Land Management Agreements will be in place by 2025.</p> <p>The recruitment of a Biodiversity officer will have occurred by 2020 as a focal point for interpretation activities, working alongside specific project officers.</p> <p>By 2022 a Local Nature Partnership will have been established and an NRAP will have been produced through a Park wide Partnership.</p>	<p>SNPA NRW Welsh Government All relevant Partners</p>
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Progress report: SNPA: Delivery of several proactive projects with biodiversity restoration at their core e.g. SMS projects Eden, Uwch Gwyrfai, Dinas Mawddwy, Fferm Ifan; ENRAW projects; peat restoration work; woodland restoration through SLSP funded projects; Project LIFE.

Position of Biodiversity Officer has been re-advertised and work on a Local Nature Partnership will continue. Partnership is established, but will need development.

NWWT actively manage reserves both within and on borders of the Park, which are stepping stones for habitat connectivity.

NRW: Purchase of key land at Bronaber for biodiversity management including freshwater pearl mussel.

WT: collaboration on SMS projects and work on encouraging woodland establishment and natural regeneration. Landscape scale visualisation projects as a prompt to discuss biodiversity decline.


CESS: Volunteer work on wetlands, peatlands, woodlands and other habitats plus INNS.

NT: Extensive work including river restoration, wildflower meadows, invasives control, PAWS restoration, tree planting.

CCBC: last year of a 3yr partnership habitat enhancement project which incorporated 40 grazing sites across North Wales (Denbighshire CC led). The project has funded contractors to control bracken, *Rhodendron ponticum* and birch on the site.


FUW/NFU: Member of Partneriaeth Natur Eryri / Nature Partnership.

Gwynedd Council has established a new Nature Partnership

<p>A2.3</p>		<p>Ensure that water quality and the marine environment are maintained and enhanced</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Improve water quality through monitoring, enforcement, education and improved land management practices • Use the planning system to protect water quality • Support local groups working to improve water quality e.g. Tir Afon project and the work of Pen Llŷn a'r Sarnau Special Area of Conservation • Continue to support and advise LIFE and HLF projects improving fresh water and marine sites within the National Park 	<p>Afon Eden project is seen through to completion and the Water Framework Directive (WFD) status is maintained and improved across the Park.</p> <p>By end of 2020 the LDP will contain text relating to water quality in new developments.</p>	<p>NRW Dwr Cymru Pen Llŷn a'r Sarnau SAC (PLAS) SNPA Welsh Government</p>
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Progress report Eden SMS now complete, with follow up actions being considered with NRW. Proactive projects on several water bodies contributing to address WFD issues.

PLAS SAC: are running a water quality project within the Land and Sea SMS project. Working closely with NRW to increase the number of monitoring locations along the Daron catchment and run workshops with landowners to go through the results and recommendations.

A2.4		<p>Restore, expand and improve the resilience and species mixture of native tree species and woodlands</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Map ancient trees and woodlands • Continue to develop appropriate planting plans in the Park • Reconnect fragmented areas of woodland • Expand native tree cover on National Park owned land • Explore the viability of establishing a native arboretum • Encourage optimal management of existing woodland to safeguard its ecological condition 	<p>Through a variety of planned projects over the next five years, the eligibility and suitability of sites will be scrutinized and reported upon.</p> <p>Planting plans will be developed.</p> <p>LIFE Celtic Rainforests project will lead on many of these goals until 2025.</p> <p>A review to critically analyse methods will take place by end of 2025.</p>	<p>SNPA Woodland Trust Coed Cymru Farming Unions NRW Gwynedd Council Conwy County Borough Council RSPB Welsh Water Welsh Government</p>
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Progress report: SNPA LIFE Celtic Rainforest project is delivering well in difficult circumstances. Additional funding for PAWS survey and capital works underway.


CESS: controlling conifer regen at sites across Eryri with NRW, NWWT, SNPA, NT.

NWWT: controlling conifer regen at Bodgynydd, controlling rhododendron on and off local reserves, tree nursery at Gwaith Powdwr.

NRW: through national Woodland Creation Program able to expand more native woodland and help reconnect woodland areas

WT: Production of The Roots to a Green Recovery in Wales 2021; subsidised schemes for woodland creation; Webinars for Ancient Woodland restoration and new guidance created; upsurge in requests for assistance since lock-down. Increasing data collection on ancient and veteran trees across the region.

NT: PAWS restoration in Aberglaslyn. New 8ha woodland planted in Hafod Garegog.

A2.5		<p>Ensure that any management related proposals have no adverse effect on the integrity of European site(s), SSSIs, and protected features of other areas.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> All projects - either alone or in combination with other plans and projects - are subject to assessment in light of the relevant legislative framework which applies 	<p>Any potential for adverse characteristics and impacts upon protected areas within the National Park from generic management related activities will be subject to a full assessment once details are available and before any work commences.</p>	All Partners
<p><i>Progress report: Ongoing HRA's as standard across all protected areas.</i></p>				

OUTCOME A3

We are prepared for the impacts of climate change and are reducing our carbon footprint.

Are we within our timeline?

CVI methodology is on hold whilst the Carbon scoping work is completed, and capacity is sourced to carry the most appropriate solution forward for SNPA.


Is there anything preventing the outcome being achieved by 2025?

- It is essential for SNPA as a public body to have achieved this Outcome by 2025.

Conclusion:

Some progress has been made against the measurements of success outlined in Cynllun Eryri, but greater understanding and priority is needed to achieve this Outcome by 2025.

Detailed 2020/21 progress report


Outcome no.	Progress status	Overview of Outcome and Actions	Measurements of success	Organisation/s/responsible
A3.1		<p>Reduce the carbon emissions of Snowdonia National Park</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Contribute proactively towards the WG emission reduction delivery plan • Install electric vehicle charging points at strategic locations within the National Park • Implement greener transport and travel measures to reduce carbon emissions. • Encourage community-based solutions. • Promote and support improving the energy efficiency in new and traditional buildings in line with planning policy • Partners to assess the sustainability of major buildings within the National Park • Continue to support appropriately scaled and located community owned green energy schemes - in line with the LDP • Establish baselines for future emission target setting 	<p>Baselines for future carbon emission measurements will be established by 2023, based on target setting advice from Welsh Government.</p> <p>By the end of the Plan we will have successfully contributed to the Welsh Government emission reduction plan, have installed further electric charging points and monitored the number of homes upgrading to renewable alternatives through Planning applications.</p>	<p>SNPA Gwynedd Council Conwy County Borough Council Community Energy Cyd Ynni National Trust Snowdonia Society Menter Mon Grwp Cynefin Adra Datblygiadau Egni Gwledig (DEG) Centre for Ecology and Hydrology (CEH) Aberystwyth University</p>

Progress report: SNPA: A Carbon Scrutiny group has been established with NPA members to evaluate strategic policies including Cynllun Eryri. In conjunction with other Welsh NPAs a system for establishing Carbon emission baselines is being implemented and a Carbon Strategy is planned to emerge from this baseline work.

NWWT: installed an off-grid solar system at Gwaith Powdwr, and starting a tree nursery to supply more local provenance stock to projects in the area.

NT: off grid solar powered tree nursery established in Hafod Garegog.

CG: the Council has established a Climate Change Board and recently appointed a Program Manager to lead the work. Work on drawing up a climate change plan for the Council is currently underway with a view to its adoption in the coming months.

A3.2		<p>Safeguard and increase the amount of carbon stored in Snowdonia</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Continue to utilise and enhance natural carbon sinks within the National Park • Reduce, and where possible reverse, the erosion and degradation of peatlands, including by grip blocking in the uplands and restoration of lowland agricultural peats • Ensure a long term commitment to well managed and diverse woodland • Explore carbon offsetting and opportunities for financial support for carbon offsetting • Encourage the maintenance of permanent grassland and avoid soil disturbance 	<p>By the end of 2022, we will have increased the number of Peatland Code and trees and woodland Carbon Code projects supported.</p> <p>Throughout the Plan, SNPA will monitor peatland restoration actions, ensure woodland planting in appropriate sites and the condition of existing woodland is monitored and hedgerow habitats enhanced, as well as working in Partnership to advise on appropriate grazing regimes.</p>	<p>SNPA NRW National Trust Countryside Land Alliance (CLA) National Farmers Union (NFU) Farmers' Union of Wales (FUW)</p>
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Progress report: SNPA: evidence informs us that the current Peatland Carbon Code is not effective to the Welsh scenario, hence an application for feasibility for an all-Wales approach and solution. Continued work through the national Peatland Action Programme on survey and restorative works.

CESS programme of volunteer work on peatlands and woodlands.

NWWT: improved peatland management at Cors Bodgynydd, expanding woodland cover at Coed Crafnant.

NRW: FRP's maintain a balance between planned deep peat restoration sites where suitable for restoration and maintain carbon sequestration through tree cover and changes in forest management through more planned Continuous Cover Forestry and less clear felling in the long-term.

NFU/FUW/CLA: National campaigning and support for Carbon sequestration projects on behalf of members.

A3.3		<p>Implement climate change mitigation measures</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Explore the feasibility of implementing a Climate Vulnerability Index (CVI) approach to natural and cultural heritage assets of the National Park • Ensure that upland paths are maintained to a sufficient standard to withstand the increased frequency of storm events through Policy A1.2 	<p>By the end of 2021 we will work with other Designated Landscapes already using a CVI approach, to map assets and produce a feasibility study within the National Park.</p> <p>Our upland paths will be consistently monitored for new or upgraded specifications</p>	All relevant partners
<p><i>SNPA: Initial work has begun on scoping the CVI methodology, which may be overtaken by developments amongst 3 Welsh National Parks Carbon baselines are currently being established and a working group has been set up to monitor progress - this action will be re-assessed for relevance in 2021-2.</i></p>				

OUTCOME A4

Snowdonia is at the forefront internationally in successfully tackling invasive species, pests and diseases that impact on native species.

Are we within our timeline? Timelines have slipped due to the impact of Covid-19 on practical work projects


Is there anything preventing the outcome being achieved by 2025?

Request for a potential extension is being discussed by the Project LIFE Celtic Rainforests team, to ensure that the Phase 3 programme of treatment is delivered to its full effect.

Conclusion:

Although Covid-19 has had an impact on practical actions, the measurements of success are still achievable by 2025.

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Outcome no.	Progress status	Overview of Outcome and Actions	Measurements of success	Organisation/sresponsible
A4.1		<p>Raise awareness with the public on how they can take action to prevent the establishment and spread of invasive species</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Contribute proactively towards the WG emission reduction delivery plan • Ensure that volunteer and community activities that tackle invasive species understand the varying nature of problems, fostering meaningful action • Monitor and record the location and expanse of invasive species • Raise public awareness of terrestrial, freshwater and marine invasive non native species (INNS) and their impacts • Establish baselines for future emission target setting 	<p>A reduction in the number and geographical coverage of invasive species is recorded.</p> <p>Educational events will have taken place with identified groups and feedback surveys will be monitored for improvements in delivery.</p>	<p>SNPA NRW National Trust Snowdonia Society Prifysgol Bangor PLAS Coed Cadw North Wales Wildlife Trust Aberystwyth University Cofnod Wales Working Group on Invasive Non-native Species John Muir Trust</p>


Progress report: SNPA: lead delivery of Project LIFE Celtic Rainforests.

CESS: Extensive work with vols including on conifers. Him Bals leaflet and resources produced. Carneddau project HB work with communities – model for future way of working.

NRW: Conifer regeneration work undertaken on NNRs adjacent to plantations

WT: Talks presented and guidance for contractors as core part of LIFE project.


PLAS SAC have an INNS project underway creating a marine biosecurity plan.

<p>A4.2</p>		<p>Continue to expand current Partnership actions to control and reduce the extent of invasive species</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Continue the Rhododendron ponticum Partnership work by implementing the Partnership Plan • Work with partners in tackling the spread of Rhododendron, Himalayan Balsam and Japanese Knotweed as well as others which are prioritised and/or arise • Ensure that reporting mechanisms for any potential threats are clear and robust 	<p>Throughout the term of the Plan we will sustain our Partnership approaches and ensure that coverage of invasive species are reduced.</p> <p>Guidance from Management measures for widely spread Invasive Alien Species by DEFRA will be closely followed, as well as updating the public through website and educational campaigns if/and when cases arise.</p> <p>A review to critically analyse methods will take place by end of 2025.</p>	<p>SNPA NRW National Trust Snowdonia Society Gwynedd Council Conwy County Borough Council CLA NFU FUW Welsh Government Woodland Trust</p>
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Progress report: NRW: Programme of non-native spp control in Meirionnydd PAWS sites started winter 20/21. Managed ash in public access areas.

WT: Working closely with landowners to identify species and habitats, ongoing partnership work through LIFE project.

CLA/NFU/FUW: Continued partnership work on behalf of members.

A4.3		<p>Expand on actions to tackle pests and diseases that impact on native species</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Support the Pen Llŷn a'r Sarnau marine biosecurity plan • Support Natural Resources Wales in their work to prevent the spread of diseases which are present or arise 	<p>By working in Partnership we will see reduced outbreaks/ plant health notices issued.</p> <p>A review to critically analyse methods will take place by end of 2025.</p>	<p>ACA PLAS NRW Welsh Government SNPA Coed Cymru Woodland Trust Farming Unions</p>
<p>SNPA: Continue to support the objectives through various project work or core funding where possible.</p>				

OUTCOME A5

Communities, businesses and visitors play an active role in caring for the National Park's landscapes, habitats, wildlife and cultural heritage.

Are we within our timeline? Yes


Is there anything preventing the outcome being achieved by 2025?

- Further lock downs periods or future restrictions due to the Covid-19 pandemic

Conclusion:

There has been clear progress against all measurements of success within Cynllun Eryri's Action Plan for Outcome A5. The objective remains on track to be achieved by 2025.

Detailed 2020/21 progress report

Out-come no.	Prog-ress status	Overview of Outcome and Actions	Measurements of success	Organisation/s responsible
A5.1		<p>Seek opportunities for local communities, schools, hard to reach and disadvantaged groups to engage with, and learn about, Eryri's environment and cultural heritage, and how they can help care for it.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Evaluate the opportunities we have for local communities, schools, hard to reach and disadvantaged groups and expand the offer • Raise awareness of the impacts of erosion and what walkers can do to help • Engage with businesses and communities on how they can help reduce the impact of lighting on the night sky and biodiversity 	<p>By the end of 2021 we will have established a baseline of engagement with each group and worked with our Volunteer Co-ordinator and Dark Skies Officer to expand the reach of the National Park in each area.</p> <p>A review will take place before 2025 to evaluate success.</p>	<p>SNPA National Trust Outdoor Partnership NRW Snowdonia Society Ramblers Cymru Conwy County Borough Council Gwynedd Council Welsh Council for Voluntary Action (WCVA) County Voluntary Councils (CVC) Betsi Cadwaladar University Health Board (BCUHB) John Muir Trust</p>

Progress report: SNPA: Volunteer Co-ordinator is in place. Volunteer Strategy has been produced and adopted by SNPA (April 2021). Dark Skies Volunteer programme has been established for Winter 2021/2.

SNPA, CESS, NT, OP Caru Eryri scheme has been successfully established (April 2021) and targeted at local communities – sharing good practice with other National Park's in Wales.


NWWT: as part of LNP will be working with 8 community groups who look after churchyards in the NP to encourage wildlife friendly management including areas to be managed as meadows.

Cwm Idwal Partnership delivery NRW, SNP, NT

Carneddau Partnership in 2020-1 have engaged with 1857 people including 6 school engagement days; 11 volunteering events; 26 in person events and 26 on-line talks – this is to be extended further in 2022-25.

CESS: Yr Wyddfa wildlife leaflet has been produced.

CCBC: Conwy County Borough Council are currently working up schedules for a 3 year programme with Keep Wales Tidy /Welsh Government on the Caru Cymru project which will add value to deliver volunteering opportunities that help protect and enhance the environment and cultural heritage.

A5.2		<p>Support, promote and deliver volunteering opportunities that help protect and enhance the environment and cultural heritage</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Continue to develop and expand the Young Rangers scheme • Investigate links with schools locally to offer Welsh Bacallaureate opportunities for Key Stages 4 & 5 and volunteering elements of DoE Award Scheme • Investigate links with return to work schemes to further increase opportunities for residents' contact with the Park 	<p>SNPA's Wardens and Volunteer Co-ordinator will lead on these elements reporting back to our Authority on an annual basis to measure progress.</p> <p>A rise in volunteer numbers will be recorded.</p>	<p>SNPA The Outdoor Partnership National Trust NRW Snowdonia Society</p>
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Progress report: SNPA: Covid restrictions regarding travel have impacted on developing volunteering opportunities in return-to-work schemes. Huge increase in Volunteering in response to Covid pandemic and the Croeso Nôl scheme 2020 and Caru Eryri 2021. See also progress from Carneddau Partnership in A5.1.

CESS Programme of volunteering across whole of Eryri – provide many opportunities per year.

NWWT: regular volunteering opportunities at all of our reserves and on projects

OP: Young Trainee and volunteer programme for residents of SNP

OUTCOME A6

Snowdonia is a leading example in Wales of how to care for and champion cultural heritage and the historic environment.

Are we within our timeline? Yes



Is there anything preventing the outcome being achieved by 2025?


- Lack of funding if opportunities outlined above are not successful.
- Covid-19 further lockdowns may prevent work on the ground being achieved in some areas.

Conclusion:

There has been clear progress against all measurements of success within Cynllun Eryri's Action Plan for Outcome A6. The objective remains on track to be achieved by 2025.

Detailed 2020/21 progress report

Outcome no.	Progress status	Overview of Outcome and Actions	Measurements of success	Organisation/sresponsible
A6.1		<p>Support the repair and restoration of listed buildings</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Research available sources of funding that support repair and restoration, historical character & local history • Use Cadw's 5-yearly condition survey of listed buildings to provide targeted funding for buildings at risk • Work with partners to support and develop traditional skills locally, which in turn will help improve the condition of historic buildings • The Carneddau Partnership will deliver on its nine main project themes encompassing the natural and cultural heritage of the region • Explore the feasibility of implementing a Climate Vulnerability Index methodology to natural and cultural heritage assets of the National Park as per policy A3.2 	<p>We will ensure that there is a reduction in the number of listed buildings at risk based on Cadw's condition survey, whilst working with our Partners to develop a strategy for traditional skills workshops.</p> <p>Specific projects will consider the sympathetic reuse and interpretation of designated sections of our historic environment.</p>	<p>SNPA Cadw National Trust National Slate Museum Gwynedd Council Conwy County Borough Council Local history and archaeological groups North West Wales Slate Landscape World Heritage Nomination Partnership Steering Group and related partners</p>
<p>Progress report: SNPA: In 2020-21 and 2021-22, three listed buildings at risk are receiving grant support for capital improvements: Ty Uchaf (Llandderfel), Ty Cerrig (Rhydymain) and Wern (Llanfrothen). An opportunity for further grant support for buildings in the Harlech Conservation Area in 2021-22 and 2022-23 has just been announced.</p>				
A6.2		<p>Support owners of Scheduled Monuments to better safeguard them</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Work with partners to ensure suitable sources of funding are available • Using Cadw's database on the state of scheduled monuments, work with partners to establish prioritised work programmes to improve condition (and where appropriate) access and interpretation of scheduled monuments. 	<p>Throughout the Plan we will ensure that the existing database has been utilised to prioritise funding and dedicated work programmes</p>	<p>SNPA Cadw National Trust Gwynedd Council Local history and archaeological groups</p>
<p>Progress report: SNPA: Maintenance work on the Ynyspandy Slate Mill was completed in October 2020, prior to the visit of the Slate Landscape of North West Wales World Heritage Nomination assessor.</p>				

<p>A6.3</p>		<p>Develop and implement landscape scale projects which benefit the historic environment</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop projects that improve access to the historic environment, sense of place and designated conservation areas within the National Park • Continue to develop projects that enhance urban character within the National Park • Collaborate on key priorities and joint projects relating to Harlech in the 'Castles and Town Walls of King Edward in Gwynedd' World Heritage site Management Plan • Collaborate on key priorities relating to the National Park in the nomination of the 'Slate Industry of North Wales Cultural Landscape' to the World Heritage List 	<p>By 2021 we will have established a Cultural Heritage Strategy Monitoring Framework, and completed the second phase of the Dolgellau Townscape Heritage Initiative.</p> <p>We will also ensure that we are collaborating on key priorities relating to World Heritage within the National Park and on its borders.</p> <p>Carneddau Partnership will deliver on its nine main project themes encompassing the natural and cultural heritage of the region.</p>	<p>SNPA National Trust Cadw Gwynedd Council Conwy County Borough Council Local history and archaeological groups</p>
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Progress report SNPA: is embarking on a new project to manage and enhance Snowdonia's 14 Conservation Areas. Funded by the Welsh Government's Sustainable Landscapes, Sustainable Places fund, the project, led by Chambers Conservation, will ensure that sustainable conservation can enhance Conservation Areas to the future. We continue to collaborate on the nomination of the Slate Landscape of North West Wales on the World Heritage List. Initial improvements to some of the features of CP4 (Cwm Pennant and Cwmystradllyn) have been completed and management plans have been adopted for the individual sites within CP4 and CP5 relevant to the National Park, including Plas Tan y Bwlch and Cei Newydd. This work will feed into an interpretation plan for the area in due course. Continue to deliver the Dolgellau Townscape Heritage Initiative scheme, to be completed by December 2022 (timeline to be amended). The team and governance of the Carneddau Landscape Partnership Scheme have been established and has reached the implementation phase.

OUTCOME A7

Our Special Qualities are well protected.

Are we within our timeline? Timelines to be amended for A7.1


Is there anything preventing the outcome being achieved by 2025?

- SNPA: Appointment of Landscape Architect currently on hold.

Conclusion:


There has been some progress against all measurements of success within Cynllun Eryri's Action Plan for Outcome A7. The objective remains on track to be achieved by 2025.

Detailed 2021/22 progress report

Outcome no.	Progress status	Overview of Outcome and Actions	Measurements of success	Organisation/s responsible
A7.1		<p>Through the Local Development Plan improve the appropriate setting and location of development in the landscape</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ensure that the nature, location and siting, height, form and scale of the development is compatible with the capacity and character of the site and locality within which it is located • Protect designated and proposed World Heritage sites e.g. North West Wales Slate Landscape • Use Supplementary Planning Guidance: Landscapes and Seascapes of Eryri, Supplementary Planning Guidance: Landscape Sensitivity and Capacity Assessment and the LANDMAP resource to assess the landscape impact of planning applications • Appoint a Landscape Architect to assist Development Management officers in assessing landscape impact of planning applications 	<p>A Landscape Architect will be appointed by the end of 2020.</p> <p>Guidelines will be in the LDP and monitored annually, being used to assess planning applications</p>	SNPA


Progress report: SNPA: Appointment of Landscape Architect currently on hold - timeline to be amended to end of Plan.



NRW: DPAS consulted on appropriate developments and planning proposals regarding designated sites, environmental impact etc


A7.2		<p>Through the Local Development Plan, ensure that major new developments safeguard views into and out of the National Park</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Ensure that any major development proposals are subject to rigorous examination and include an assessment of the impact on National Park purposes• Consider the landscape and visual impact of proposals close to the National Park boundary and how these may impact on National Park purposes, including views into, and out of, the National Park	Guidelines will be in the LDP and SNPA will be working in partnership with neighbouring authorities to ensure these are being implemented	SNPA
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Progress report: SNPA: ELDP states that 'Major development will not be permitted within the National Park other than in exceptional circumstances where there is demonstrated to be an overriding public need'. The policy goes on to state the criteria for which a major development would even considered to be remotely acceptable.

NRW: as above

<p>A7.3</p>		<p>The Local Development Plan contains clear guidance for inappropriate major infrastructure development such as above ground power cables within the boundary, and where possible encourages the undergrounding of inappropriately located existing lines</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The LDP includes a policy which resists inappropriate major development within the National Park • Encourage the undergrounding of overhead lines • Continue to work in partnership with the National Grid to reduce the visual impact of overhead lines within the National Park • The Authority will permit telecommunications developments provided that they do not significantly harm the visual amenity and landscape character of the area • Encourage telecommunications operators to mitigate and/or reduce impacts of existing transmission lines - use landscape sensitive communication infrastructure • The Authority encourages: the use of environmentally acceptable sites, sharing an existing site, mast, tower or other structures and • sharing an existing or planned underground channel with another utility • The mast, antennae and any ancillary structures are expected to be well designed and represent the best practicable environmental option 	<p>Guidelines will be in the LDP for landscape improvement of existing and new developments</p>	<p>SNPA</p>
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Progress report: SNPA: the Authority works closely with National Grid / SPEN on projects to 'underground' existing 'overground' power cables with projects either ongoing or having been completed in many areas of the park. They also invite any ideas on future projects/areas for this work to be undertaken.				
A7.4		<p>Through the Local Development Plan, ensure that lighting in new developments takes account of the International Dark Sky Reserve status and Protect and enhance Regionally Important Geological and Geomorphic Sites (RIGS) and general geodiversity</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Through the LDP and Supplementary Planning Guidance on obtrusive lighting, ensure that proposals do not adversely affect the Dark Sky Reserve • Implement LDP policies that ensure development proposals do not adversely affect RIGS 	Guidelines are within the LDP.	SNPA
Progress report: SNPA: Development Policy 2: Development and the Landscape was revised to include 'The Snowdonia Dark Skies Reserve, in particular Core areas', within the new revised ELDP 2016-2031. It is also now monitored annually to ensure that no inappropriate development occurs within these core areas.				
A7.5		<p>Foster greater understanding of the Special Quality of tranquillity and solitude</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Research and apply a new methodology of measuring tranquillity within the National Park • Define tranquillity as applied to Snowdonia National Park by including in visitor and residents survey to ascertain the experience of tranquillity in Eryri. • Continue to liaise with the MOD to encourage reductions in the number of low flying activities taking place over Snowdonia 	<p>New methodologies will have been considered and included in the mapping and protection of this Special Quality.</p> <p>A definition of tranquillity and an understanding of users experience of this Special Quality will be achieved through a user survey.</p> <p>Liaison meetings with the MOD will have occurred regularly</p>	SNPA
Progress report: SNPA A new methodology for measuring Tranquillity within the National Park boundary is being developed in collaboration with the University of Winchester				

A7.6		<p>Establish a risk register for the tangible and intangible assets of the National Park</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Undertake a risk register exercise cross-referencing with Policy A3.3, ensuring preparedness and mitigation measures are anticipated. • With input from key partners consider learnings from the COVID 19 pandemic. 	By 2022 a risk register for tangible and intangible heritage assets of the National Park will have been produced.	SNPA
<p><i>Progress report: SNPA: An update to the Asset Register is currently underway by Head of Property Section which will form the basis of this future work.</i></p>				

Eryri's Health and Well-being: Opportunities to learn and discover, and at the same time improve our well-being.

OUTCOME B1

The National Park is having a positive impact on Well-Being.

Are we within our timeline?

B1.1 timeline should be adjusted to reflect the impact of Covid-19. B1.3 was delayed due to Covid-19 restrictions however has been overtaken by the 70th birthday celebrations which included many of the same elements – reassess this action point to see if it has been achieved in a different format.


Is there anything preventing the outcome being achieved by 2025?


- Any further restrictions on movement due to the Covid-19 pandemic

Conclusion:

There has been some progress against all measurements of success within Cynllun Eryri's Action Plan for Outcome B1. The objective remains on track to be achieved by 2025.

Detailed 2020/21 progress report

Outcome no.	Progress status	Overview of Outcome and Actions	Measurements of success	Organisation/s responsible
B1.1		<p>Expand work with partners, health services and Public Service Boards through social prescribing schemes.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Identify target audiences Gather data on the barriers these audiences face and opportunities to address these barriers in a lasting way Identify and promote existing schemes within the National Park Establish new social prescribing schemes (along with a referral system) within and around the National Park for the target audiences, based on best practice and research results 	<p>By the end of 2020 we will have completed the necessary research and identified schemes to promote widely across the Park. By the end of the Plan we intend to have established social prescribing schemes on a trial basis, with the National Park as a partner to at least one major scheme working towards a formal well being strategy</p>	<p>SNPA Let's Get Moving North Wales Public Health Wales Outdoor Partnership National Trust NRW Sports Wales Ramblers Cymru Bangor University CESS</p>
<p>Progress report: SNPA: Pilot social prescribing schemes have been established on a trial basis (Wellbeing Wednesdays) through Eventbrite – summer 2021 in partnership with Public Health Wales. Timelines to be amended to reflect the impact of Covid 19 here.</p> <p>PHW: Social Prescribing and Green Health strategy to begin in October 2021 allowing all relevant providers to log activities in a shared register for GPs to access across North Wales.</p> <p>OP: Healthy and Active Fund has developed Social Prescribing schemes with direct referral for those with on-going mental health difficulties with clear success – to be developed in 2022 with input from other members of Fforwm Eryri.</p>				

<p>B1.2</p>		<p>Promote and enable a diverse range of activities that improve people's well-being</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop an online resource relating to activities and routes within the National Park targeted and tailored to the audiences identified under Policy B1.1 • Ensure adequate provision for access to inland waters for water based activities, particularly in light of future legislative changes • Continue to expand volunteer opportunities within the National Park that include both physical and cultural activities (see also policy A5.2) • Develop volunteering opportunities for disabled people • Facilitate activities within the National Park that enhance understanding of the Special Qualities for disabled people and disadvantaged groups • Encourage opportunities for socialising in the natural environment 	<p>By the end of 2021, resources will be available through the National Park website.</p> <p>By 2025 SNPA's Volunteer Co-ordinator will report on the increased provision of volunteer opportunities and evidence of relevant schemes and projects will exist.</p>	<p>SNPA NRW National Trust Outdoor Partnership WCVA Public Health Wales Outdoor Partnership Gwynedd Council Art Council Wales Menter Iaith National Slate Museum Gwynedd Archaeological Trust Sports Wales CESS John Muir Trust</p>
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Progress report: SNPA: Volunteer activities have been significantly expanded in 2020-21, these clearly have a positive impact on the Wellbeing of those who take part (see SNPA Volunteer Strategy). Working with local businesses, two Trampers are available for use throughout the National Park which are especially designed, all-terrain mobility scooters and can be used off road and even on rough ground, mud and grass area - a third Trampler is currently on pre-order. Carneddau Partnership have been delivering Walking for Well-being sessions in partnership with Mind Conwy.

PHW: Also working in partnership with Bangor University to identify specific audiences and messaging to be delivered to specific groups to encourage those who do not usually engage with activities in the area.

CESS: Working in Partnership on Caru Eryri programme as well as many opportunities which are varied in nature and location, with capacity to deliver bespoke opportunities for people with health barriers etc.

SA: Ongoing delivery of Babi Actif project, including sessions (buggyfit, forest schools, nature walks etc) for mums to be and new parents encouraging them to be active outdoors

OP: working in partnership with Caru Eryri; inclusive adventure programme improving access for disabled people and women; young trainee scheme; health and wellbeing programmes in partnership with social prescribers, GP clusters and CMHTs; volunteering programme; supporting 100+ community outdoor clubs in and around SNP; pathways to employment and employability programme.

B1.3		<p>Plan a community-based project exploring the long, reciprocal relationship between the people of Eryri and the land</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gather a group of experts in the field to mind map possible ways to approach this project • Build upon the work of the Carneddau Landscape Partnership's Oral History Project • Facilitate workshops with a variety of community representatives to consider the best ways to express these inherent connections • Support and advise (as required) in the development of the project to its conclusion, as decided by local residents 	<p>By 2021 we will ensure that a mind mapping session has occurred and connections have been made with relevant community representatives.</p> <p>For the 70th anniversary of the designation of Snowdonia National Park, workshops will have occurred and the project will have been launched and is being facilitated to its conclusion.</p>	<p>SNPA</p> <p>All relevant partners and community members</p>
<p><i>Progress report: Delayed due to restrictions of COVID-19 and to be revised in light of work completed for Eryri 70 celebrations & Fermydd Goll Ardudwy project.</i></p>				

OUTCOME B2

Residents and visitors can access a variety of routes in the National Park aimed to improve physical and mental health.

Are we within our timeline? Covid-19 pandemic has delayed the timelines


Is there anything preventing the outcome being achieved by 2025?


- Any further restrictions on movement due to the Covid-19 pandemic

Conclusion:

There has been some progress against all measurements of success within Cynllun Eryri's Action Plan for Outcome B2. The objective remains on track to be achieved by 2025.

Detailed 2020/21 progress report


Outcome no.	Progress status	Overview of Outcome and Actions	Measurements of success	Organisation/s responsible
B2.1		<p>Create a plan and focus resources on promoting, developing and maintaining well-marked long-distance trails, accessible trails, multi user trails (particularly cycling trails and mountain bike routes), promoted routes and links and loops between towns and villages Identify target audiences</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Identify the target audiences for routes and trails in line with policy B1.1 Review the Recreation Strategy for the National Park and ensure that it delivers on Outcome B2 and includes national standards for signage, furniture and accessibility Increase the total length of accessible trails by removing barriers to enable access for all wherever possible, and provide least restrictive options in relation to furniture Survey local people, stakeholders and visitors to assess their needs and demands in relation to access in their local area, along with any barriers they face to accessing the outdoors Based on the results, create a map plan for the development of trails, including exploring options across the National Park in areas such as Bala-Traws, Bala - Dolgellau (subject to compliance with action A2.5) and identify how access for disabled people can be improved at the most popular sites within the National Park Identify and pursue funding to deliver on the plan Support long distance routes already in existence such as Snowdonia Slate Trail, Cambrian Way, Taith Ardudwy, Pilgrims Way, Snowdon Circular, North Wales path, Wales Coast path etc 	<p>The action plan in 'Overview of actions' column will be implemented over the next 5 years so that all actions are complete by 2025.</p>	<p>SNPA Gwynedd Council Conwy County Borough Council National Trust NRW Local Access Forums Snowdonia Society BHS</p>
<p>Progress report: SNPA: Recreation Strategy is in draft form to be presented to Management Team (September 2021)</p> <p>RoW improvement plans in draft form Conwy/Gwynedd with input of SNPA and LAFs. Parking and Transport Strategy is developing active travel/leisure Routes through PyW</p> <p>CCBC: promote trails (walking, cycling etc.) via its tourism website and Tourism Ambassador programme, so as to increase awareness.</p>				

B2.2		<p>Ensure that Right of Way work is effectively prioritised and that responsibilities and standards are clear, with the SNPA focusing its resources and funding on multi-user trails and upland paths</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Create a priorities and maintenance plan to ensure that resources are effectively managed and targeted to deliver • Continue to implement and regularly review the Service Level Agreement with Conwy Council. Agree and implement a MOU with Gwynedd Council • Ensure that all partners delivering RoW work within the National Park are signed up to the standards set out in the access strategy under Policy B2.1 	<p>By the end of 2021, the Maintenance Plan will be produced and implemented. Agreements will be in place with Gwynedd Council.</p> <p>By the end of 2022, the standards document will be in place and signed by identified partners.</p> <p>GIS surveys will provide measurable data for the Conwy RoW network.</p>	<p>SNPA Gwynedd Council Conwy County Borough Council National Trust NRW Ramblers Cymru</p>
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Progress report: SNPA: SLA in place with Conwy Council. MOU in draft form with Gwynedd Council (delayed due to impacts of COVID-19) timeline to be adjusted to 2023 to reflect the work to be done.

GIS surveys are ongoing with SNPA Warden Service input.

CESS in partnership with SNPA have annual maintenance programmes on Snowdon, Lon Gwyrfai, Llwybr Mawddach, Slate trail and CESS/NT Glyderau/Carneddau NRW: started a long-term programme of clearing overgrown PRow in Meirionnydd forest

B2.3		<p>Improve access opportunities for disabled people and socially excluded groups - See also policy B2.1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gather research on the barriers faced by the public, including disabled people, those of lower socio economic backgrounds and other excluded groups in accessing the National Park • Develop actions under Policy B2.1 to improve access opportunities for disabled people and excluded groups • Work with target groups and relevant charities in the early design phase of major access projects 	<p>By the end of 2025, the research will have been completed.</p> <p>We will ensure measurable increases in available provisions by the term end of the Plan.</p>	<p>SNPA NRW National Trust Gwynedd Council Conwy County Borough Council Sport Wales</p>
<p>Progress report: SNPA: A series of informative videos are being developed to promote access for all routes. An additional tramper is located in Beddgelert along with one in Dolgellau and a third is currently on order. Consultation is ongoing with BHS/Mountain bike communities and the Ramblers regarding any new developments.</p> <p>NRW: principles of least restrictive access by any reasonable means guides actions. Tramper mobility service to be offered in Coed y Brenin from October, 2021.</p> <p>OP: Inclusive Adventure programme working with communities across the NP to improve access for disabled people in outdoor activities.</p>				

OUTCOME B3

Our Special Qualities are widely recognised.

Are we within our timeline? Timelines in B3.1, B3.2 and B3.3 will be reassessed to reflect the impact of the Covid-19 pandemic on the visitor economy.


Is there anything preventing the outcome being achieved by 2025?

Priorities of various organisations have been affected by the need to respond to Covid 19, discussions with Partners will occur in 2022 to confirm the Measurements of Success as relevant or needing to be adapted.


Conclusion


There has been clear progress against all measurements of success within Cynllun Eryri's Action Plan for Outcome B3. The objective remains on track to be achieved by 2025.

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Outcome no.	Progress status	Overview of Outcome and Actions	Measurements of success	Organisation/s responsible
B3.1		<p>Develop a brand marketing strategy for Snowdonia based on the Special Qualities that is consistently implemented across the public and private sector</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Using local understanding and knowledge, build a strong and clear picture of the National Park’s cultural and historic identity Following the development of principles for Visitor Management (see Policy A1.1), develop a marketing/brand strategy for Snowdonia based on promotion and protection of its Special Qualities. The strategy should consider: Visit Wales’ ‘Wales brand’; target audiences and emerging markets; addressing overcapacity and environmental impact at popular locations; emphasising eco and green credentials, quiet enjoyment; benefits of the environment to well-being; and promotion of local culture, Welsh language, food and drink Create a Cultural Heritage and Interpretation Plan for the National Park in line with marketing brand (above) Develop opportunities for enhancing the visitor experience by linking with historic and cultural aspects e.g. World Heritage sites, slate trails, mountaineering history and promoting Welsh place names and the Welsh language Develop information and resources that celebrate sites notable in Welsh literature and culture, and encourage respect and understanding for the Welsh language Explore the possibility of launching an annual competition for ‘Snowdonia Culture Capital’ (using lessons from the City of Culture model). The winning town/village will receive funding to promote and organise cultural activities for the year SNPA to improve and modernise its website in line with the new marketing and brand strategy Commission new photos of the area to reflect the principles of the new marketing and branding strategy: rich media videos; drone footage; gpx files of trails etc. 	<p>By the end of 2021, we will have worked with our partners to create a new marketing and brand strategy based on local knowledge, and will develop a new interpretation strategy based on this.</p> <p>Using a newly designed website and images, a number of projects will be undertaken to strengthen historic, cultural and literary aspects of the area.</p> <p>A review of the new brand will take place by 2025.</p>	<p>SNPA National Trust Gwynedd Council Conwy County Borough Council National Trust Cadw Arts Council Menter Iaith National Slate Museum Gwynedd Archaeological Trust (GAT)</p>

Progress update: SNPA: Cultural Heritage Interpretation Plan is being drafted. Extensive input from local experts into the business Ambassador Scheme. A company to develop new website have been appointed and are beginning scoping work. Communications and Engagement Strategy has been developed and is being implemented that integrates the principles outlined above. Partneriaeth Yr Wyddfa are working with MSPARC to develop a Visitor App based on recommendations from Yr Wyddfa and Ogwen Parking and Transport Review 2020. Branding part of joint working between Cyngor Gwynedd SNPA towards Sustainable Tourism. Timelines to be amended to reflect this.

<p>B3.2</p>		<p>Encourage visitors to come at different times of year and to different areas in order to ease pressure during the peak season and help businesses with seasonality issues</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Promote winter season and 'autumn colours' season. Use seasonal images on websites • Work with partners to develop opportunities in relation to the "Wales Way" • Use existing examples to consider a thematic itinerary approach to promote the Special Qualities of Snowdonia 	<p>These innovative ideas will be in place by the end of 2021</p>	<p>SNPA Gwynedd Council Conwy County Borough Council Visit Wales NRW National Trust Visit Wales Plas y Brenin Snowdonia Active</p>
<p>Progress report: SNPA: The design of Cynllun Eryri specifically reflected the Autumn Colours approach. New SNPA website being launched in 2022 will utilize seasonal imagery Itinerary planning is currently being developed by our Sustainable Tourism Officer. Facts and Special Places sections of Cynllun Eryri is being used as a basis for this.</p> <p>SA: Curious Cymru project worked with businesses to develop new tourism experiences which offer exciting and unique ways to discover Snowdonia.</p> <p>CCBC: have specific marketing campaigns focused upon the Autumn, Winter, Spring. - timelines will be extended to reflect the ongoing impact of Covid-19 on tourism.</p>				

<p>B3.3</p>		<p>Using the brand marketing strategy as a foundation, develop a shared plan with partners on the information we provide to visitors, with an emphasis on the Special Qualities and behavioural change.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identify the target audiences for information and behaviour change • Identify what type and format of information is most effective, as well as what languages are most in demand • Develop a shared plan to include how we deliver information pre, during and post visit, as well as a rationalisation of the mix and use of modern and traditional means of providing information • Improve information on recreation opportunities targeted at specific groups in line with the brand strategy and information plan, and fill any pre-existing gaps in information • Work with tourism businesses to promote information and understanding about the Park in line with the brand strategy and information plan e.g. through an ambassador scheme 	<p>By the end of 2020, target audiences will have been identified as part of the new website production.</p> <p>A pilot ambassador scheme will have been established and lessons learned will be applied across the National Park.</p> <p>The branding strategy will inform the shared Plan and improvement of information provision by the end of 2022.</p> <p>A review of the new brand will take place by 2025.</p>	<p>SNPA National Trust Visit Wales Gwynedd Council Conwy County Borough Council Outdoor Partnership Sports Wales Snowdonia Active GAT NRW All partners</p>
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Progress report: SNPA: Visitor Survey 2021 will influence the development of the branding strategy. Ambassador Scheme has been successfully launched in line with all local Authorities. New website design will be based around the requirements outlined here. Communication and Engagement Strategy outlines detailed approach to the above.

NRW: will deliver 4 major recreational events with partners in the low season from Coed y Brenin.

WT: Piloting walking routes in 2021, which consider less popular routes and sustainable travel.

SA: Ongoing promotion of AdventureSmart campaign in Snowdonia to encourage safe enjoyment of Snowdonia (especially relevant with the push towards off peak tourism)

CCBC: Ambassador Scheme has been successfully launched in line with all local Authorities

CG: Are developing an Ambassador Scheme in line with all local Authorities

Timelines will be extended to reflect the ongoing impact of Covid-19 on tourism.

OUTCOME B4

Sustainable options for parking and transport are achieved.

Are we within our timeline? Timelines will be adjusted to reflect complex nature of delivery


Is there anything preventing the outcome being achieved by 2025?

- Lack of funding / investment
- Partners not contributing to the Parking and Transport Strategy
- Wider developments overtaking the original vision and strategy


Conclusion:

There has been major progress against all measurements of success within Cynllun Eryri's Action Plan for Outcome B4. The objective currently remains on track to be achieved by 2025.

Detailed 2020/21 progress report

Outcome no.	Progress status	Overview of Outcome and Actions	Measurements of success	Organisation/s responsible
B4.1		<p>Improve the sustainability and availability of transport for visitors and residents and address parking problems Using local understanding and knowledge, build a strong and clear picture of the National Park’s cultural and historic identity</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review public transport systems in popular areas to ensure it meets the demands and needs of residents and visitors • Establish committed partnerships to ensure that there is adequate revenue to sustain the public transport requirement • Use public transport as a means of delivering information to visitors • Improve working relationships with businesses, social enterprises, communities and landowners, encouraging community based solutions • Ensure that public transport routes are clearly linked with promoted trails and routes • Support Active Travel measures as detailed in Welsh Government legislation 	<p>By the end of 2021, we will work with all recommendations from the 2020 Yr Wyddfa and Ogwen parking and transport review to implement measures across the National Park. Review and adapt measures as necessary by 2025.</p>	<p>SNPA Gwynedd Council Conwy County Borough Council Transport for Wales All landowning partners North Wales Economic Ambition Board Welsh Government</p>

Progress report: SNPA: Recommendations from the 2020 Yr Wyddfa and Ogwen parking and transport review are being implemented with support from Welsh Government through Transport for Wales. Working with Cyngor Gwynedd and Cyngor Conwy these developments are tying into the wider North Wales Metro ambitions which will impact the whole of the National Park region. Timeline will need to be extended to reflect the rate of progress.

B4.2		<p>Explore and implement opportunities to encourage greener transport</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Assess the environmental impacts of visitors in relation to carbon emissions to encourage a move towards greener technologies for travel such as electric cars, buses and bikes • Improve information and marketing in relation to how people get to the park and travel around, ensuring that the most sustainable options are promoted and highlighted • Utilise smart technology to encourage behaviour change (e.g. Enterprise Scheme) • As per Policy A3.1 install EV charging points at strategic travel and visitor points in the National Park 	<p>Work with all recommendations from the 2020 Yr Wyddfa and Ogwen parking and transport review to implement measures across the National Park. Review and adapt measures as necessary by 2025.</p> <p>A new way of measuring visitor contribution and impact on the area will be in place by 2021 and will assess environmental factors.</p>	<p>SNPA NRW National Trust Gwynedd Council Conwy County Borough Council Visit Wales Partneriaeth Ogwen</p>
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Progress Report: SNPA: Recommendations from the 2020 Yr Wyddfa and Ogwen parking and transport review are being implemented with support from Welsh Government through Transport for Wales. New ways of measuring visitor impacts in the region are being developed by the Sustainable Tourism Officer. timeline should be extended to reflect the difficulties of achieving this with data from 2020-21.

CG: Plan in place to introduce electric car charging points in car park in Llanberis

OUTCOME B5

Our visitor facilities are high quality and landscape sensitive.

Are we within our timeline?

Feasibility study into expanding the role of visitor centres will be completed in 2022 due to delays regarding Covid-19

Cultural Heritage and Interpretation Strategy timeline to be adjusted.



Is there anything preventing the outcome being achieved by 2025?

Not at present – timelines have been adapted to reflect disruption in 2020-21 but all elements are still set to be achieved.

Conclusion:

There has been clear progress against all measurements of success within Cynllun Eryri's Action Plan for Outcome B5. The objective currently remains on track to be achieved by 2025.

Detailed 2020/21 progress report

Outcome no.	Progress status	Overview of Outcome and Actions	Measurements of success	Organisation/s responsible
B5.1		<p>Visitor facilities are sufficiently funded and invested in to achieve and exceed the expectations of visitors Review public transport systems in popular areas to ensure it meets the demands and needs of residents and visitors</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Assess the visitor facilities (centres, toilets etc) within the National Park and identify priorities for improvement Through a visitor survey, monitor opinions on facilities and act on any recommendations Assess the possibility and sustainability of expanding Information and Visitor Centres to be community/well-being hubs 	<p>By the end of 2021, the results of the facilities assessment will have been produced, and a feasibility study into expanding the role of visitor centres will be complete.</p> <p>Results of the visitor survey will influence future priorities.</p>	<p>SNPA NRW National Trust Gwynedd Council Conwy County Borough Council Visit Wales North Wales Economic Ambition Board Snowdonia Society</p>
<p><i>Progress report: SNPA: Visitor survey is being completed in 2021 to report back in early 2022. Sustainable Tourism team are carrying out the work on Visitor Centres -timeline to be extended to reflect impact of Covid-19. CCBC takes the lead on bringing together the staff who work in visitor centres, so as to improve knowledge and to share best practice.</i></p>				
B5.2		<p>Support activities that complement the Special Qualities of Snowdonia - in particular tranquillity - and that encourage visitors to switch to visiting during the autumn and winter in order to address seasonality and pressures in high season</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Support and promote activities and initiatives relating to the Dark Skies Reserve status Support and promote initiatives relating to winter tourism Improve and promote opportunities for access to the historic environment and wider cultural heritage 	<p>Our Dark Skies Officer works to promote understanding of this important element of Snowdonia, reporting on an annual basis.</p> <p>By the end of 2021, our Cultural Heritage and Interpretation Strategy will include promotion of the historic environment linked to seasonality (see also policy B3.1)</p>	<p>SNPA Gwynedd Council Conwy County Borough Council National Trust Visit Wales NRW Cadw John Muir Trust</p>

Progress report: SNPA Dark Skies Officer has produced an annual report outlining incredible success through adapting to online engagement during the lock down periods. Officer has been successful in promoting understanding and interest in a number of innovative ways which are being celebrated nationally and internationally. Timeline of Cultural Heritage and Interpretation Strategy has been extended to 2023.

B5.3		<p>High quality, landscape appropriate accommodation, meets the expectations and demand of visitors and is helping increase spend per head</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Carry out research into the demand and gaps in relation to high quality visitor accommodation including that of affordable accommodation • Work in partnership with Gwynedd Council to develop the Council's Destination Management Plan • Via the Local Development Plan, support the development and promotion of high quality, landscape appropriate, visitor accommodation to meet the demands of the market 	<p>By the end of 2020 research will have been carried out and the LDP will contain this guidance</p>	<p>SNPA Gwynedd Council Conwy County Borough Council</p>
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Progress report: SNPA: Chapter 6 of the ELDP ('Supporting a Sustainable Rural Economy') highlight the policies designed to ensure that economic development is encouraged but in a manner which protects the environment and in line with the National Park purposes. New policies were included in the revised ELDP 2016-2031 which were;

Development Policy 27: Snowdonia Enterprise Zone

Development Policy 28: New build serviced accommodation

Development Policy 29: Alternative holiday accommodation

These policies furthered the economic development potential within the National Park and gave opportunities for suitable new accommodation services (provided they aligned to the criteria designed to protect the National Park's special qualities).

In order to protect the National Park, policy 22 and 23 note that no new static caravan, chalet sites, touring sites or camping sites will be permitted.

Eryri's Communities and Economy: A great place to develop, live and work

OUTCOME C1

The language, culture and heritage of Snowdonia is being celebrated, supported and strengthened.


Are we within our timeline? Yes

Is there anything preventing the outcome being achieved by 2025?

Nothing which is currently affecting delivery of objectives.

Conclusion:

There has been clear progress against all measurements of success within Cynllun Eryri's Action Plan for Outcome C1. The objective currently remains on track to be achieved by 2025.

Outcome no.	Progress status	Overview of Outcome and Actions	Measurements of success	Organisation/s responsible
C1.1		<p>Promote understanding, enjoyment and protection of the Welsh language and culture</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Support and promote local community events, groups and creative projects that have links to the Welsh language and culture • Create opportunities for young people to be ambassadors for the language and culture of the area • Lead by example in ensuring that the Welsh language, culture and heritage is promoted and used in events, activities and information • Implement measures in the Local Development Plan and related Supplementary Planning Guidance which encourages new developments to maintain or enhance the development of the Welsh language • Develop and implement a communication plan to improve visitor awareness of the Welsh language and culture • Ensure that the Welsh language plays a leading role in any projects, activities or schemes arising from policy A5.1, A5.2, A6.1, B1.1, B1.2, B1.3, C4.1 and C4.2, whether through teaching about the language, leading by example and/ or promoting use through providing opportunities to socialise in Welsh. 	<p>We will ensure that these groups are feeding into policy B3.1 when it is established, that a Communication Plan is implemented by the end of 2021 and that guidelines are in the LDP and are monitored annually.</p> <p>An evaluation of these actions will take place by 2025.</p>	<p>SNPA Gwynedd Council Conwy County Borough Council John Muir Trust</p>

SNPA: Development Policy 18: The Welsh Language and the social and cultural fabric of communities (18) – as the language is fundamental to the culture of Snowdonia, this policy ensures that in determining all planning applications within the Park, the needs and interests of the Welsh language is taken into account. In addition a revised supplementary planning guidance document, 'Planning and the Welsh Language' was published on the Authority's website during July 2021. New communication strategy for the Authority has been developed and launched.

Yr Ysgwrn continues to offer opportunities for socializing through the Welsh language, through volunteering, attending events and taking part in activities. This included various virtual activities for people of all ages during the Covid 19 pandemic.

Yr Ysgwrn has commissioned the Yr Ysgwrn Curriculum for adoption in the spring of 2022 which will enable schools to use Yr Ysgwrn to teach the Curriculum for Wales to children and young people aged 7-14 based on 6 themes covering the 6 areas of learning.


Welsh language and the promotion of Welsh culture are integral to the projects and engagement programs of the Dolgellau Townscape Heritage Initiative, Carneddau and Harlech Landscape Partnership and Arudwy schemes

NRW: article on place-names of Cader Idris in the Spring 2021 bulletin of Cymdeithas Enwau Lleoedd Cymru.

CCBC: supports Welsh Language and Culture via our website, social media and Tourism Ambassador programme, which has specific modules on these important elements.

SNPA, CCBC & CG are all leading on the North Wales Ambassador programme, promoting core messages and the special qualities of each region.


John Muir Award is available bi-lingually and in use by Carneddau Partnership

C1.2		<p>Provide opportunities for Welsh learners in the area</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Promote and support initiatives to encourage people moving to the area to learn Welsh • Create opportunities for Welsh learners and speakers to socialise and use the language, particularly through volunteer opportunities as in Policies A5.2 and B1.2 • As part of Policy B3.1 and B3.3 provide training for businesses in the Welsh language and culture 	<p>By the end of 2020 a pilot Ambassador scheme will have been established for the Snowdon Partnership Plan. We aim to develop this to encompass the entire National Park area by 2021.</p> <p>We will monitor the uptake of Welsh learners in volunteer activities offered by all Partners to measure progress.</p>	<p>SNPA Gwynedd Council Conwy County Borough Council NRW Public Health Wales Outdoor Partnership Sports Wales</p>
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Progress report SNPA: Ambassador Scheme has been launched and developed across the entire National Park region. Yr Wyddfa volunteers are paired according to language ability to ensure learners can practice their language skills. Yr Ysgwrn engages with Welsh learners to participate in site activities including volunteering.

SNPA, CCBC & CG are all leading on the North Wales Ambassador programme, promoting core messages and the special qualities of each region.

CESS: provide several opportunities complementary to Ambassador scheme, training units etc.

C1.3		<p>Protect Welsh place names</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Implement measures in the Local Development Plan that encourage the use of Welsh place names for new or renovated businesses, developments, houses and street names • Implement measures in the Local Development Plan that encourage the use of bilingual signs • Link to UNESCO's Indigenous Languages programme to promote the local names of the National Park and its most recognisable assets 	<p>We will ensure that guidelines are in the LDP and that Supplementary Planning Guidance exists to promote these elements.</p>	<p>Welsh Language Commissioner and the Future Generations Commissioner</p> <p>Menter Iaith</p> <p>SNPA</p> <p>NRW</p> <p>Cadw</p> <p>Royal Commission on the Ancient and Historical Monuments of Wales (RCAHMW)</p>
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Progress report: SNPA: Development Policy 18 the following criteria are noted;

Encouraging all signage by public bodies and by commercial and business companies to be bilingual or in Welsh only to protect and promote the distinctive cultural identity of the National Park

Encourage the use of Welsh place names for new developments, house and street names.

SNPA's Place-names Task and Finish Group was established in October 2020 to develop a methodology for promoting and promoting place-names. The Group is collaborating on this work with the Welsh Language Commissioner, Cadw and the Royal Commission on the Ancient and Historical Monuments of Wales, as well as individual experts.

The Harlech and Arduwy Schemes record historic place names in the project area and work with local communities and volunteers to raise awareness and wider interpretation.

The Carneddau Voices and Names project aims to record and raise awareness of place names through community recording sessions in conjunction with the Place Names Society

OUTCOME C2

Jobs and opportunities encourage people to remain in the area.

Are we within our timeline? Yes

Is there anything preventing the outcome being achieved by 2025?

Any lack of investment in digital infrastructure in the region.


Potential further and more severe Covid restrictions.

Outcomes of Welsh Government's decisions for the Agricultural Sector.

Conclusion:

There has been some progress against all measurements of success within Cynllun Eryri's Action Plan for Outcome C2. The objective remains on track to be achieved by 2025.

Detailed 2020/21 progress report


Outcome no.	Progress status	Overview of Outcome and Actions	Measurements of success	Organisation/s responsible
C2.1		<p>Communication infrastructure in the area is being improved for businesses and communities in a way that does not compromise the landscape</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Support partners to deliver innovative and landscape sensitive initiatives to improve broadband, mobile data and internet infrastructure in rural areas • Support initiatives within the regional growth strategies that improve digital connectivity whilst protecting the landscape • Work with Gwynedd Council to develop further proposals for creating high value jobs across a range of areas. 	<p>Digital connectivity across Eryri is significantly improved.</p> <p>Free Wi Fi offerings linked to community centres and hubs will be available</p>	<p>SNPA</p> <p>Local Action Groups Conwy and Gwynedd</p> <p>Gwynedd Council</p> <p>Conwy County Borough Council</p> <p>North Wales Economic Ambition Board</p> <p>Creative North Wales</p> <p>Mantell Gwynedd</p> <p>Conwy and Denbighshire PSB</p>

Progress report: SNPA: Localised projects are in place e.g. Wi Fi at Bwthyn Ogwen, LORAWAN connections at other car parks and hubs

SPG on Telecommunication has completed consultation process and will be reported back to committee September 2021.

Within the ELDP, Development Policy 26: Telecommunication outlines the criteria that telecommunication developments will need to adhere to in order to be permitted. Development Policy 2 also underlines how the landscape will be protected from inappropriate development.

CCBC: Funding obtained to develop Smart Towns initiative in Betws y Coed by way of additional free wifi access points to collect data to better understand footfall, visitor patterns and dwell locations, where visitors are from, how long they stay etc.


C2.2		<p>Support and promote training, employment and business opportunities related to - or complementing - the National Parks 1st purpose and Special Qualities including environment related sectors</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Support and promote opportunities for land managers to take part in public goods schemes as set out in policy A2.1 • Encourage and support the development of businesses and skills relating to delivery of public-goods schemes • Support environment and Special Quality related initiatives with the regional growth strategies • Work with the economic development departments within the local councils to develop opportunities through the Snowdonia Enterprise Zone, the Welsh Slate Landscape World Heritage nomination or other employment creation and high-quality jobs • Support projects that aim to shorten the local food supply chain • Work with our partners to support farmers responding to the changes brought about by Brexit, both in terms of market change and the payment regimes • Support the development of resources and skills for the repair and maintenance of historic buildings and features, including capacity building programmes as per Policy A6.1 • Explore opportunities for developing a framework for collaboration in the development of whole-estate plans, by researching successful implementation in other protected areas 	<p>We aim to see the number of businesses related to the public goods scheme rising. Through promotion and sharing of good practice, this will have a cumulative impact.</p> <p>The number of initiatives supported by our various Partners will have increased and new potential frameworks have been evaluated and reported upon.</p> <p>Our core partnerships will include greater representation from the business and tourism sectors</p>	<p>SNPA Gwynedd Council Conwy County Borough Council Menter Mon Grwp Cynefin Gwynedd Archaeological Trust National Slate Museum Menter Iaith Gwynedd Employment and Skills group Arloesi Gwynedd Wledig All relevant Partners</p>
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Progress report: NRW: Coed y Brenin provides direct employment to 15 FTE

CCBC: via its Business and Tourism team support and work with local businesses, assisting them to grow. We assist on both the skills agenda and recruitment issues, the recently launched Tourism Ambassador Programme is now being used by many tourism businesses as part of their staff induction programme.

Coleg Glynllifon in the process of starting an Apprenticeship Framework in Environmental Conservation Level 2, this is expected to start September 2021. There are 3 options within the apprenticeship: -Environmental Conservation, Access and Recreation or Rivers, Coasts and Waterways. Projects within the Park have shown interest in placing employees on the apprenticeship.

OP: running employability projects for residents living in the SNP.

C2.3		<p>Support and promote training, employment and business opportunities relating or complementing the National Park's second purpose and Special Qualities, and the health and well-being theme</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Support public goods schemes as set out in policy A2.1 • Work with the economic development departments within the local authorities to develop opportunities through Snowdonia Enterprise Zone and strategies creating other employment • Support opportunities in the tourism sector that are high value, high quality and considerate of protecting the National Parks environment • Increase the number of Welsh speaking outdoor instructors in the sector • Support outdoor recreation initiatives linked to improving people's well-being • Develop a campaign to encourage IT and tech businesses to establish in the area 	<p>Throughout the Plan we will ensure that: meetings are set and attended to develop new opportunities, that relevant guidelines are in the LDP and that schemes and projects exist. A campaign for further attracting IT and tech business to the area will have begun, and the number of Welsh speaking outdoor instructors will rise from 20 to 30%.</p> <p>Our core partnerships will include greater representation from the business and tourism sectors.</p>	<p>SNPA Gwynedd Council Conwy County Borough Council Outdoor Partnership Menter Mon Grwp Cynefin Menter Iaith Arloesi Gwynedd Wledig Mantell Gwynedd All relevant Partners</p>
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Progress report: SNPA, CCBC & CG are all leading on the North Wales Ambassador programme, providing training opportunities, promoting core messages and the special qualities of each region.

CCBC via its Business and Tourism team support and work with local businesses, assisting them to grow. We assist on both the skills agenda and recruitment issues, the recently launched Tourism Ambassador Programme is now being used by many tourism businesses as part of their staff induction programme.

OUTCOME C3

We are implementing solutions for affordable housing to buy and rent.

Are we within our timeline? Yes


Is there anything preventing the outcome being achieved by 2025?


See C3.2 Progress Report for likely change needed in actions set – to be revised to reflect true situation in 2022 review of Cynllun Eryri.

Conclusion:


There has been clear progress against all measurements of success within Cynllun Eryri's Action Plan for Outcome C3. The objective remains on track to be achieved by 2025.

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Outcome no.	Progress status	Overview of Outcome and Actions	Measurements of success	Organisation/s responsible
C3.1		<p>Work with partners to address underlying issues and develop innovative solutions to delivering affordable housing that meets local needs</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Work with rural housing enablers to identify affordable housing needs within our communities • Work to influence changes to legislation so that change of use of a dwelling into a holiday home requires planning permission • Lobby mortgage lenders to ensure that finance for affordable homes is readily available • Work with partners to ensure the best use of affordable housing financial contributions, to assist in the delivery of affordable housing • A detailed analysis of availability of affordable homes within the National Park has influenced planning policies in the LDP • Support work to identify empty premises to be developed for business or housing use • Encourage mixed tenure housing 	<p>By the end of 2020 details will be included in the LDP and evaluated regularly in the annual monitoring of the LDP report.</p>	<p>SNPA Gwynedd Council Conwy County Borough Council Grwp Cynefin</p>
<p>Progress report: Rural Housing Enablers have undertaken housing needs surveys for several communities, assisting provision of affordable housing by private developers and Housing Associations. Motion passed by SNP Authority supporting calls for change to legislation so that change of use of a dwelling into a holiday home requires planning permission; letter sent to Welsh Government.</p> <p>The Authority has in conjunction with Cyngor Gwynedd and Tai Teg, sent a briefing note to advise Mortgage Brokers/Financial Advisors on the availability of mortgages for affordable housing sites with Section 106 Agreements. It is hoped the note will raise awareness and assist brokers to find mortgages for affordable dwellings with S106's. SNPA have funded a grant scheme with commuted sum financial contributions from S.106 agreements. The scheme is run by CCBC and is for the renovation of empty homes by first time buyers.</p> <p>SNPA discuss regularly with two Housing Authorities and RSL's to ensure affordable housing is provided where it is needed.</p> <p>SNPA in discussions with several partners on funding a new Community Led Housing Officer post.</p> <p>SNPA attended meetings with other partners and community representatives to discuss concerns of housing availability.</p> <p>The Annual Monitoring Report for the ELDP 2016-2031 is in the second year of reporting. Research also being undertaken to assess impact of rising house prices and second homes/holiday accommodation. Research will steer policy formation for the next ELDP review.</p>				

C3.2		<p>Through the LDP create policies that encourage affordable housing</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> To meet the affordable housing target of 375 (average 25 affordable housing units per annum) over the LDP period of 2016-2031 	<p>The LDP annual monitoring report will measure progress throughout the term of the Plan.</p> <p>The LDP undergoes annual monitoring and policies and targets are reviewed every four years</p>	<p>SNPA Welsh Government Conwy County Borough Council Gwynedd Council Grwp Cynefin Adra Local Rural Housing Enabler services</p>
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Progress report: SNPA: 1st two years of monitoring the EDLP 2016-2031 have not met the target of 25 affordable units per year - 2 affordable housing units permitted in first year, 14 affordable units in 2nd year, with 3 affordable housing units completed in 1st year and 19 affordable units completed in 2nd year. This is due to a number of reasons, including fewer houses being built within the Park (high dependency on RSL delivery of affordable housing and private development delivery being low). The low numbers might also be related to the overall housing market condition and borrowing environment, with developers and small builders being much more risk averse in the current economic climate. It is likely that this action point will be revised to reflect the true situation in the new Local Development Plan revision of which will begin in late 2022/early 2023 and for adoption in 2026/27.

C3.3		<p>Through the LDP create policies that encourage sustainable homes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Policies encourage sustainable design and sustainable development of housing 	<p>The LDP annual monitoring report will measure progress throughout the term of the Plan.</p>	<p>SNPA Conwy County Borough Council Gwynedd Council</p>
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Progress report: SNPA: ELDP policies are being implemented to ensure sustainable development

OUTCOME C4

Local communities are supported to thrive in all aspects of well-being.

Are we within our timeline?

Delayed on establishing Community Charter due to personnel/capacity implications.



Is there anything preventing the outcome being achieved by 2025?

Capacity issues with restructuring of Community Officer role/Engagement Team SNPA

Conclusion:

There has been some progress against all measurements of success within Cynllun Eryri's Action Plan for Outcome C4. The objective currently remains on track to be achieved by 2025.

Detailed 2020/21 progress report

Outcome no.	Progress status	Overview of Outcome and Actions	Measurements of success	Organisation/s responsible
C4.1		<p>Increase opportunities for dialogue between the National Park and community-based organisations</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop a charter that sets out the arrangements between the SNPA and Community and Town Councils, in relation to how we work together to develop activities of mutual benefit • Explore the idea of appointing National Park Ambassadors in each community council, beginning with the area covered by the pilot Ambassador Scheme in Policy B3.3 	<p>By the end of 2021, a Charter will be established and the lessons from the pilot Ambassador scheme will be implemented.</p> <p>We will review these actions by 2025.</p>	<p>SNPA</p> <p>Community and Town Councils</p> <p>Un Llais Cymru</p>
<p><i>Progress report: SNPA: Initial work on crafting a Community Charter has begun - timeline to be extended to reflect restructuring of role. To discuss the possibilities of local Ambassadors with Community Councils</i></p>				
C4.2		<p>Work with communities to further enhance understanding of the Special Qualities of the National Park</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identify the main communities affected by the National Park designation but that fall outside the boundary, and work closely with these communities to achieve National Park objectives • Support the upskilling of communities wishing to develop projects which protect and enhance Snowdonia's special qualities as per Outcome B3 • Work with community-based organisations to develop Warden Area Plans, based on local needs and priorities • Work with Conwy and Gwynedd councils to identify further opportunities for joint working 	<p>Throughout the Plan we will ensure that schemes are supported through the Community and Volunteer Fund.</p> <p>Warden Area Plans are co-produced with community input.</p> <p>We will review these actions by 2025.</p>	<p>SNPA</p> <p>Gwynedd and Conwy LAG groups</p> <p>Community and Town Councils on periphery of the National Park</p> <p>Mantell Gwynedd</p> <p>Un Llais Cymru</p>
<p><i>Progress report: SNPA has adopted the Placemaking Charter in October 2021. Cronfa Cymunedol Eryri has supported 13 community projects focussed on Decarbonising, Sustainable Tourism and Covid Recovery in 2021-2.</i></p> <p><i>NRW: took part in three public consultations on FRPs in Meirionnydd.</i></p>				

