

Summary Notes

South Cumbria: Project Working Group

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Fourth meeting of South Cumbria Project Working Group:

Summary

The main outcome of this meeting was to review progress on the Phase I projects, provide an update on the decision support tool and discuss the commission for the PWG to look at several communities in more detail.

Phase I Progress Update:

- Kent Package: Kent package Phase I is in planning. Raised questions as to how we show the effectiveness of NFM & to ensure it's captured in new schemes.
- Via the CMG & CSFP we have a mechanism for reporting blockers and finding collaborative approaches to tackling challenges.
- Stock Beck: now progressing, CWT led, UU involvement on Birds Park. Looking at felling trees and installing large woody debris. Should be significant development in next 6 months.
- Mill Close, Windermere: Cumbria Woodlands developing a plan for School Knott, potential options for bunds and large woody debris.
- Grange-Over-Sands: working on the design for the NFM scheme. Previously raised options for urban NFM. The issues affecting this catchment are complex.
- Bell beck. Large woody debris has been installed and monitoring is in place.

Action: follow up on infrastructure information from the Critical Infrastructure Group and Highways England Working Group

Phase II Development:

- At the last PWG meeting the group agreed the need for a decision support tool. This has now been developed and agreed for use by the CMG.
- The CMG have agreed a strategy for CMG 'enablement', PWG 'Delivery' and continued support for Phase I projects. This has been related to the decision support tool so that initially the CMG focus on the top 6 communities, with the PWG taking the next 9 whilst also identifying any other 'quick wins'.
- To progress this an evidence/ action plan form has been developed and a couple of examples produced for communities.
- The PWG agreed that this was a good mechanism and that it was fantastic to see this level of detail.

Decision: support was shown for the community forms and it was agreed to progress this forward.

- Concerns were raised that this level of detail was also needed for the top 6 communities at the CMG and that there should be a greater inclusion of CaBA and other drivers. There is also a need to ensure there are the right representatives on the CMG including some CaBA representatives. Task groups may be formed to progress this for each community.

Action: Expand the CaBA and other driver elements captured on the forms.

- It was acknowledged that this level of information may then change what is shown in the matrix and the next steps for the group.

Next meeting date: TBC