



MANAGEMENT PLAN 2020-2025

The Surrey Hills AONB Management Plan is one of a national family of Plans. There are 34 Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty (AONB) in England, covering 15% of the land area, and a further 4 in Wales and 8 in Northern Ireland. AONBs are designated by Government for the purpose of ensuring that the special qualities of our finest landscapes are conserved and enhanced.

The AONB Management Plan is the only document with a focus on the whole of the AONB and the only one that is primarily focused on the purpose of AONB designation, which is the conservation and enhancement of natural beauty.

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THE VISION FOR THE SURREY HILLS

The purpose of the AONB designation is to conserve the natural beauty of the landscape. The vision for the Surrey Hills recognises that the landscape will change but it needs to ensure that it changes in a way that conserves and enhances its special qualities. In doing so, it also needs to maintain the social and economic viability of the Surrey Hills in a sustainable manner.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Executive Summary sets out the vision and the policy framework for the Surrey Hills AONB.

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The Surrey Hills AONB is recognised as a national asset in which its natural and cultural resources are managed in an attractive landscape mosaic of farmland, woodland, heaths, downs and commons. It provides opportunities for business enterprise and for all to enjoy and appreciate its natural beauty for their health and wellbeing.

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