

MEETING	Llŷn AONB Joint Advisory Committee
DATE	July 13 th 2026
TITLE	State of the AONB Report
PURPOSE	Consider changes to the Report
AUTHOR	AONB Officer
RECOMMENDATION	Accept the suggestions to amend the Report

1.0 INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 A copy of the State of the Llŷn Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty Report 2025 was presented to the Joint Advisory Committee at the previous meeting on March the 18th 2026.
- 1.2 It was noted that the purpose of the State of the AONB Report is to provide a full and clear picture of the state of the area – which includes information about the landscape, nature, people, work, the historic environment, language and culture etc. The Report forms the basis for the review of the Management Plan.

2.0 STATE OF THE AONB REPORT 2025

- 2.1 A brief was prepared and a tender process was undertaken for the preparation of a more up-to-date State of the AONB Report. Consultants Craggatack was chosen to undertake the new report – a company with extensive experience of making such reports and their proposal showed good value for money.
- 2.2 The Report contains a wide range of information about the landscape, environment, society, archaeological remains, historic environment and language and culture. It is also in line with Natural Resources Wales guidance.
- 2.3 A copy of the State of the AONB Report 2025 can be seen by following this link: [State of the AONB Report 2025](#) .

3.0 COMMENTS ON THE REPORT

- 3.1 The State of the AONB Report 2025 was discussed at the previous meeting held on March the 18th. Numerous comments were made on the report and it was not accepted by the Joint Committee as a basis for moving forward to review the Management Plan.
- 3.2 The AONB Unit has considered the comments made at the meeting – and has summarised them in a table, also providing a response and a suggestion to either amend the Report or not. It is now requested that the Members consider these comments which are noted in **Appendix 1**.
- 3.3 It is hoped that members of the Joint Committee can agree on a series of amendments to the Report, and on that basis, accept it as a final document.

4.0 NEXT STEPS

- 4.1 Following the completion of the State of Report the intention is to resume the process of reviewing the Management Plan. Some issues have already been discussed in the Joint Committee.
- 4.2 Due to the work involved in the preparation/review of the Management Plan, further consideration will need to be given to the process of carrying out this work. This may include the possibility of commissioning the work, subject to securing an appropriate source of funding.

5.0 RECOMMENDATION

- 5.1 Accept the information and the amendments suggested to the State of the AONB Report 2025.