



## Attendees:

Name	Organisation
Simon Pickering (Chair)	Welsh Government – Head of Landscape & Outdoor Recreation
Jont Bulbeck	Natural Resources Wales
Eifion Jones (BBNPA)	Representing the 3 National Park Authorities and 5 AONBs
Adrian Walls	Welsh Rights of Way Managers Working Group

## Technical and secretarial support:

Name	Organisation
Helen Lewis	Welsh Government - Landscape & Outdoor Recreation
Sarah Smith	Welsh Government - Landscape & Outdoor Recreation
Joe Roberts	Natural Resources Wales
Jayne Carter	Natural Resources Wales

## Apologies:

Ben Sears	Welsh Local Government Association
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Key decisions and actions arising	Owner
<p><b>Notes and actions from previous meeting</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The minutes were agreed.</li> <li><b>Action point 5:</b> WG should have some funding available for behavioural research (subject to covid19 budgetary impacts). NRW to forward proposals and cost estimate for the work.</li> <li><b>Action point 6.</b> WG lawyers' review of which CROW Part 2 sections have been enacted within Wales has been delayed by covid19. HL to follow up.</li> </ol>	<p>Joe</p> <p>Helen</p>

<p><b>Option Proposals</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>4. <b>(a) Expert Group Meetings:</b> ExG 1 and 2 meetings went ahead as planned; ExG3 meeting was cancelled due to Covid19 and replaced by skype meetings on 2 and 6 April.</li> <li>5. <b>(a) Expert Group Meetings:</b> EJ to make enquiries into temporary NPA deputy to cover current unavailability of ExG representative.</li> <li>6. <b>(b) Options Proposals Paper:</b> each paper is split into two reform parts (a) and (b), with 3 options for each reform.</li> <li>7. <b>b) Options Proposals Paper:</b> AW recommended including annexed list of attendees to demonstrate the expert make-up for each paper.</li> <li>8. <b>b) Options Proposals Paper:</b> JR to work with Alison Roberts (NRW) to develop proposals for how a statutory access code could be developed.</li> <li>9. <b>b) Options Proposals Paper:</b> WG to liaise with Agriculture over Agri-payments.</li> <li>10. <b>b) Options Proposals Paper:</b> JB to prepare list of issues raised which require further legal advice.</li> <li>11. <b>b) Options Proposals Paper</b> Steering group to provide any further comments to NRW by cop 27 April.</li> <li>12. <b>(c) Inviting comments and evidence:</b> Reform Options Papers will be circulated to the NAFW and LAFs with a call for evidence, including a caveat to clarify that they are draft proposals to inform development, not ARAG policy documents.</li> <li>13. <b>(c) Inviting comments and evidence:</b> Any new options proposed during feedback will be reviewed by the steering group and consideration given to as whether they require further examination by the Expert Groups.</li> </ol>	<p>Eifion</p> <p>NRW</p> <p>Joe</p> <p>SP/HL/SS</p> <p>Jont</p> <p>All</p>
<p><b>Programme Timetable Amendments</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>14. Reform Options Papers to be issued to NAFW and LAFs early May with deadline for responses: 3 July. Third ExG meetings deferred to mid September with fourth meetings to take place in Jan 2021 At this stage it is considered that delays due to covid19 can be managed within the original programme without affecting the final end date.</li> <li>15. Due to long translation times because of covid19 (approx. 3 weeks for NRW), papers to be issued in English first followed by the Welsh version as soon as received back from translation. HL to check if WG translation times would be any quicker</li> </ol>	<p>Helen</p>