

Arnside & Silverdale



Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty

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The AONB Family

- 46 AONBs
- All cultural landscapes
- All have a common purpose
- Cover 8,000 square miles
- Governed by 700 elected members – nationally important, governed locally dealing with global issues

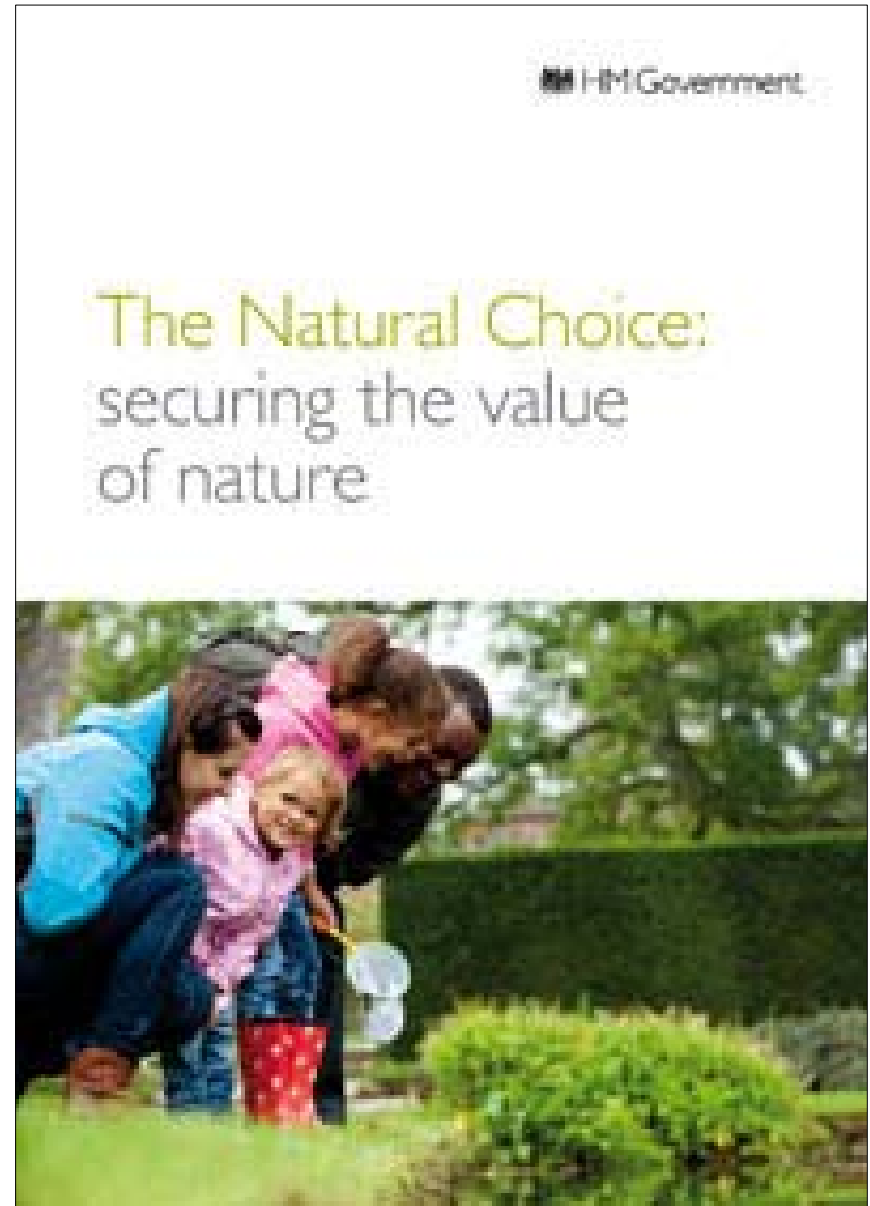


Headlands to Headspace HLF Bid Project Area

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The Natural Choice

- 1st White Paper
on the natural
environment for 20
years





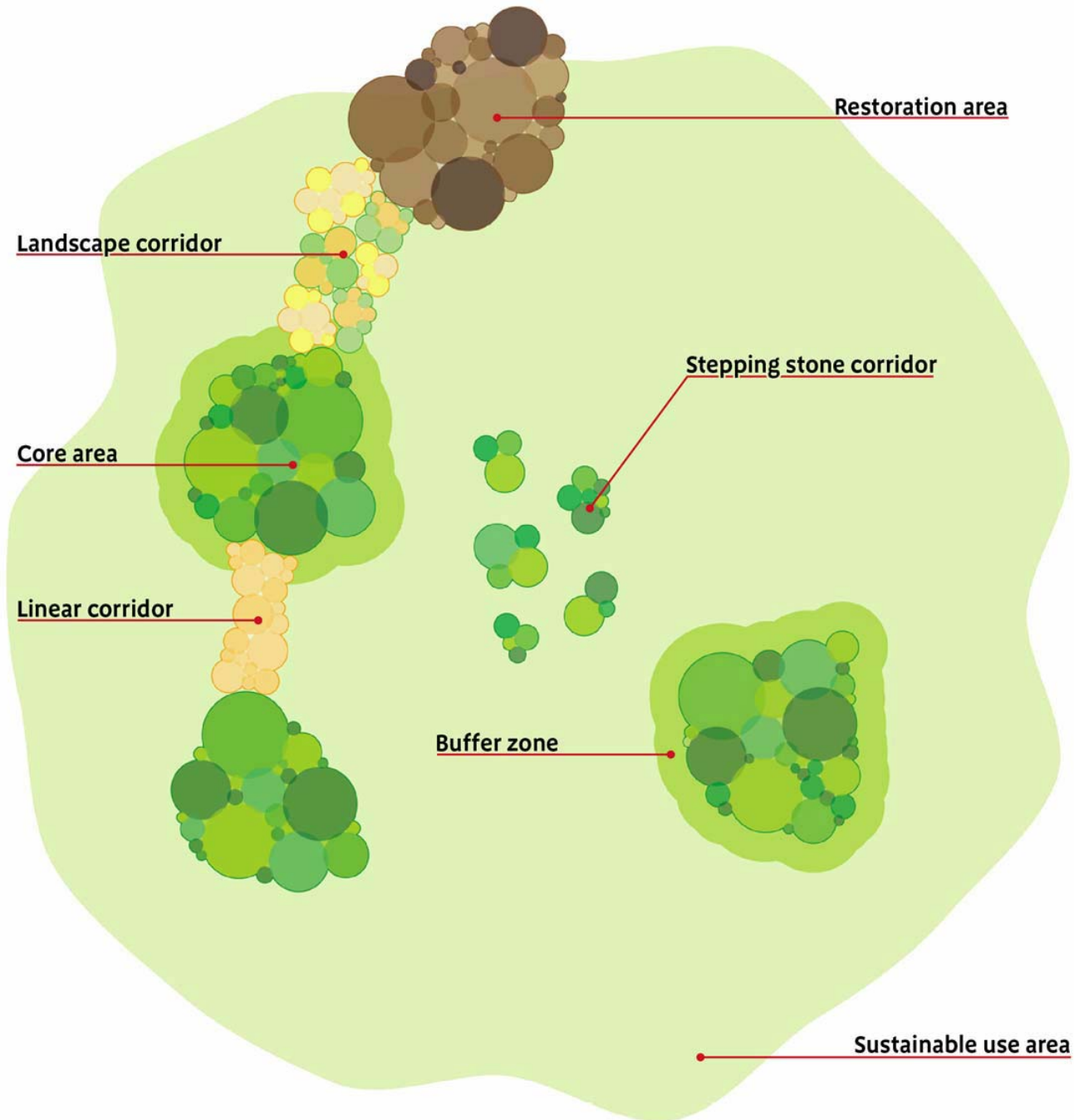
“There are 27 ancient cathedrals in England.

Imagine the outrage that would have ensued in this country if over the last 100 years:

- 12 had been partly demolished,
- 9 substantially demolished,
- 3 completely obliterated;
- with only 3 remaining in good condition.”



“ Yet this is precisely what has happened to many of England’s finest wildlife sites.”



UK National Ecosystem Assessment

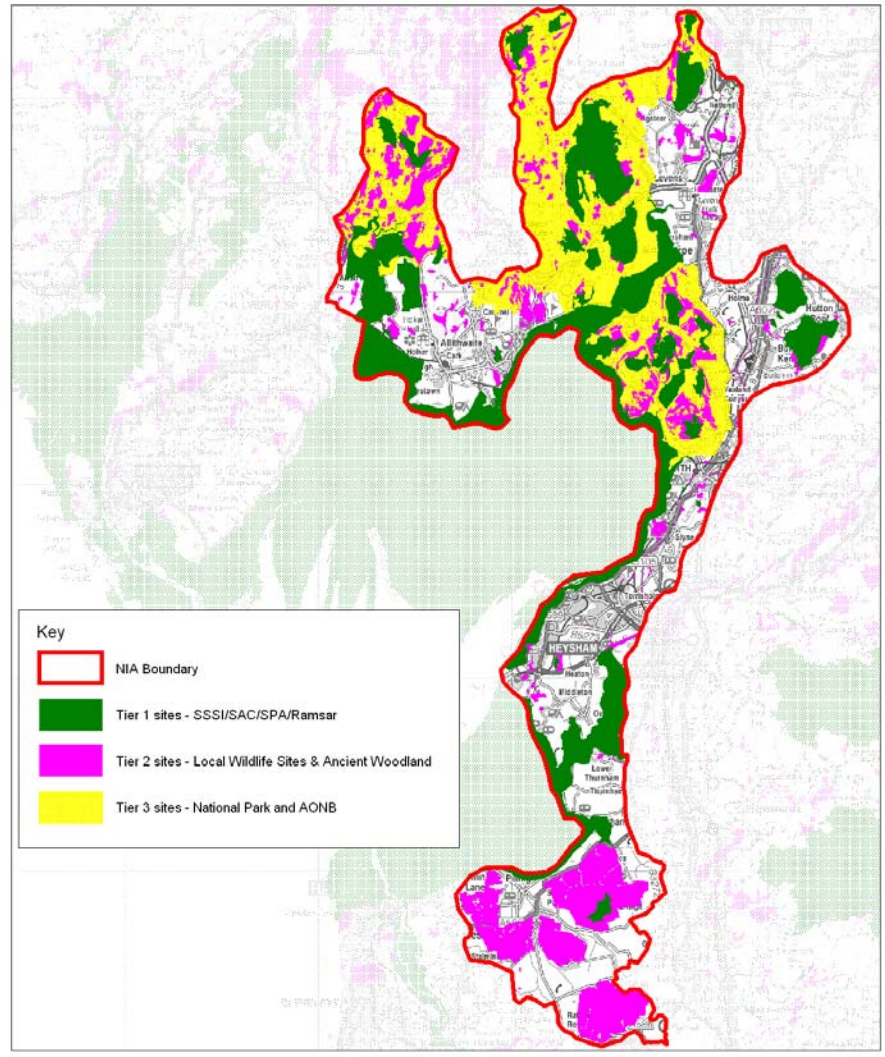
- The benefits that inland wetlands bring to water quality are worth up to £1.5billion per year to the UK
- Pollinators are worth £430million per year to British agriculture
- The amenity benefits of living close to rivers, coasts and other wetlands is worth up to £1.3billion per year to the UK
- The health benefits of living with a view of a green space are worth up to £300 per person per year.

New initiatives

- Local Nature Partnerships
- Nature Improvement Areas
- Biodiversity offsetting

Morecambe Bay Limestones and Wetlands NIA

Map 2: Designated Sites, Local Wildlife Sites and Designated Landscapes



Key

- NIA Boundary
- Tier 1 sites - SSSI/SAC/SPA/Ramsar
- Tier 2 sites - Local Wildlife Sites & Ancient Woodland
- Tier 3 sites - National Park and AONB

Scale 1:250000 Map 1 of 1
0 5 10 15km
0 12500yd

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Discussion - LNPs and NIAs

Local Nature Partnerships (LNPs)

- Cumbria, Lancashire, Morecambe Bay
- status of applications

Nature Improvement Areas (NIAs)

- Barrow, Morecambe Bay Limestones and Wetlands, Lakes
- status of local applications

Key Questions

Morecambe Bay LNP

- Decision on re-application
- Working across administrative & political boundaries
- Engaging with key players
- Securing political and strategic support
- Aligning priorities