

## DETAILED PROJECT PLAN

HLF Programme Area			
Area	Programme Title	Main Area (tick <b>one</b> box only)	Links to Other Areas
A	<b>Conserving or restoring the built and natural features</b> that create the historic landscape character.		
B	<b>Increasing community participation</b> in local heritage	✓	
C	<b>Increasing access to and learning about the landscape and its heritage</b>		✓
D	<b>Increasing training opportunities in local heritage skills</b>		
E	Scheme staffing, overheads and running costs		

**PB1**

# Bellever and Postbridge Trails



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Heading	Content
Summary	Proposals for trails, interpretive media and visitor management (including car parking and landscape proposals for the forest area) which make links around Bellever Forest and Postbridge, using Whitehorse Hill as a means of developing further interest in the heritage of the area.
Project description	<p>As a result of the development of the projects around Bellever and Postbridge this year an Access and Interpretation Plan was commissioned to set out what the community; including local residents, local businesses, landowners, Forestry Commission and Dartmoor National Park Authority would like to see happen in the area.</p> <p><b>Trails</b> To engage the wide variety of visitors who come to the area, encourage them to stay longer and discover the landscape heritage of Bellever and Postbridge There will be a series of linked walks in three categories</p>

- Short walks-
  - all ability trail
  - Village trail-including family activity
  - River and forest walk
- Long walks
  - Bellever Archaeology Trail
  - East Dart Waterfall Walk
  - Powdermills walk
- Outlier walks
  - Powdermills
  - Warren House/Vitifer mine
  - Bellever trail all ability access loop

To develop these walks there will need to be some path surfacing works to enable an all ability path and the creation of a new access into the forest

### **Interpretation**

There will be 3 onsite orientation and interpretation panels at the Visitor Centre, Bellever/ Postbridge car park and Bellever Forest Picnic Area. There will be 1 smaller panel at Powdermills.

These panels will have QR codes and Near Field Communications(NFC) to allow further content to be accessed via a Smartphone or the Dartmoor Story App.

White Horse Hill has revealed some amazing finds. It is proposed that an interpretive display is created and that these be finally displayed at the Postbridge Visitor Centre.

A Dartmoor Story App will be developed for Smartphones as an interactive leaflet to help visitors learn more about the area and navigate. This will be developed as part of the PC1 Discovering the Dartmoor Story project. The app will be developed so that it can be adapted for Postbridge as 4 trails; the Postbridge Highlights Trail, the Bronze Age Bellever Trail, Waterfall Ramble and Postbridge Heritage Hunt.

### **Accommodating visitors to the area**

To help reassure visitors coming to discover the heritage of the area the car park run by the Forestry commission will be relandscaped and integrated into the car parking provision for visitors in Postbridge- currently the car park by the visitor centre can be completely full on busy days whilst the car park across the road is empty.

The project will link in with the redevelopment of the Postbridge Visitor Centre PC8 and will focus people on the Bronze Age landscape of the area- in particular Whit Horse Hill and the finds that were discovered there.

### **Beneficiaries and communication**

There is a great deal of archaeological remains from Bronze Age times nearby within Bellever Forest and around the nearby area. There are also industrial remains close by. It provides a great opportunity for visitors to easily access and learn about the heritage of the moor. As a result visitors

	<p>to the moor will have greater appreciation and respect for the heritage of Dartmoor.</p> <p>The key message to visitors is that this area is a great place to begin to uncover the landscape story of Dartmoor.</p> <p>This project has been developed so far by local people working together with local organisations and agencies. For it to be successful this partnership must continue to work. It will require regular meetings, further consultation work as ideas are developed. The project will be supported by the MTMTE project team and all information about it will be on the MTMTE website.</p>
<b>Project buy-in</b>	This project has been developed by the local community of Postbridge and Bellever, Forestry Commission, Dartmoor National Park Authority and MTMTE. Ideas were developed through the Landscape and Access plan.
<b>Project lead</b>	The MTMTE Project Team will be the project lead.
<b>Partners / contractors etc.</b>	<p>Partners in this project will be the local community, Forestry Commission, Dartmoor National Park Authority, Dartmoor Pony Heritage Trust and other local organisations and businesses. These groups will work together to coordinate the overall project and work in smaller groupings to deliver specific elements of the project.</p> <p>Interpretive specialists will be contracted in to produce interpretive material such as signage and works associated to the app. working alongside local people.</p> <p>Path works and relandscaping will be undertaken by appropriate contractors.</p>
<b>Project development</b>	<b>Changed significantly</b> following consultation with the community. New project promotes a series of walks and visitor management proposals in the Postbridge/ Bellever area to help people explore and learn about the Forest and the village and stay longer. The new proposals have been shaped by external consultants working with local community interests.
<b>Activities and Timetable</b>	See table below

Activity Timeline	Year 1												Year 2				Year 3				Year 4				Year 5			
	7	8	9	10	11	12	1	2	3	4	5	6	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
<b>PB1 Bellever and Postbridge Trails</b>																												
a. Agree initial projects with Postbridge community																												
b. Implement access proposals																												
c. Whitehorse Hill display in Postbridge Visitor Centre																												
d. Agree further proposals with Postbridge community																												
e. Implement proposals																												

Budgets	Cost Breakdown			
	<b>Postbridge Costings</b>			
	<b>Trail Works</b>			
	<b>Access</b>			
	All ability bridge loop		£15,000	
	Off road section of village trail (supported by Granite and Gears Funding)		£10,000	
	River and forest- steps and kissing gate		£2,250	
	Signage and waymarking (inc £6,000 in kind support FC)		£18,000	
	3 benches and 3 picnic tables		£2,100	
	<b>Interpretation</b>			
	White Horse Hill Display		£22,000	
	3 orientation panels VC and 2 FC		£14,850	
	1 Smaller Panels ( Powdermills)		£1,150	
	Bellever stop point interpretation x 7		£8,050	
	Postbridge letterbox trail		£2,000	
	<b>Car Park Works</b>			
	Line marking visitor centre car park		£5,000	
	Landscaping Bellever Postbridge Car Park (inc £10,000 in kind support FC)		£20,000	
	Footpath link to visitor centre		£4,000	
	<b>Total</b>		<b>£124,400</b>	
	<b>Estimated Total Cost</b>	<b>Cost:</b>	<b>Contingency:</b>	
		<b>£124,400</b>	<b>£0</b>	
	<b>VAT</b>	<b>a. Is VAT applicable?</b>	<b>b. Is VAT reclaimable?</b>	<b>c. VAT amount:</b>
	<b>YES</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>£</b>	
<b>Lead Partner Contributions</b>	<b>Type:</b>	<b>Secured:</b>	<b>Unsecured:</b>	
	<b>Cash (source):</b>	<b>£0</b>	<b>£0</b>	
	<b>Staff:</b>	<b>£0</b>	<b>£0</b>	
	<b>Volunteers:</b>	<b>£0</b>	<b>£0</b>	
	<b>In-kind:</b>	<b>£0</b>	<b>£0</b>	
	<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>£0</b>	<b>£0</b>	
<b>Other Contributions</b>	<b>Type:</b>	<b>Secured:</b>	<b>Unsecured:</b>	
	<b>Cash (source):</b>	<b>£10,000 Granite and Gears Funding for cycling off road paths £39,000 Forestry Commission</b>	<b>£0</b>	

	<b>Staff (source):</b>	<b>£0</b>	<b>£0</b>
	<b>Volunteers (source):</b>	<b>£0</b>	<b>£0</b>
	<b>In-kind (source):</b>	<b>£16,370 (FC)</b>	<b>£0</b>
	<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>£65,370</b>	<b>£0</b>
<b>Moor than meets the eye contribution</b>	<b>Contribution:</b>	<b>Intervention Rate (%)</b>	
	<b>£59,030</b>	<b>47%</b>	

<b>Outputs</b>	<p>The project will help people discover more about the heritage of Dartmoor and of Bellever and Postbridge in particular.</p> <p>The new trails will encourage people to explore more whilst they are in Postbridge</p> <p>The heritage provision in Postbridge will be more coordinated. The community and local agencies will work more closely together for the benefit of all.</p> <p>The display about White Horse Hill will show case the significant finds that were made just a few miles away</p>
<b>Output indicators and targets</b>	<p>9 new walks</p> <p>3 orientation/interpretation panels</p> <p>Bellever Archaeology Trail</p>
<b>Outcomes</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• People will have volunteered time in helping to develop the project and make it happen. In doing so they will have learnt new skills to help them share their enthusiasm for Dartmoor.</li> <li>• Visitors who come to Postbridge will have learnt more about its importance and will know more about the Bronze Age remains around the area. By using a range of media including new technology such as smartphones a wider range of people will have the chance to get involved.</li> <li>• In developing the trails heritage along these trails will be presented better and will be championed by local people.</li> </ul>
<b>Evidence</b>	<p>As part of the monitoring and evaluation of the scheme we will record the amount of volunteer and community support involved in developing this scheme. We will survey visitors to the area to find out how the project has enhanced their visit</p>
<b>Wider context</b>	<p>PA1 Moorland Birds</p> <p>PA2 Haymeadows</p> <p>PA5 Unveiling the heritage of the High Moor and Forests</p> <p>PB2 Parishscapes</p> <p>PB6 Managing Volunteers</p> <p>PB8 Pony Herd Identification</p> <p>PB10 Whitehorse Community Play</p> <p>PC1 Discovering the Dartmoor Story project. The web pages and app will support information provided on site and allow further research into the heritage of Dartmoor</p> <p>PC4 Brimpts Tin Trail</p>

	PC6 Heritage Trails PC8 Postbridge Visitor Centre			
<b>Legacy and maintenance of benefits</b>	The materials produced will be maintained by the Forestry Commission and Dartmoor National Park Authority			
<b>Risks and Risk Mitigation</b>	Risk register			
	Nature of Risk	Severity	Likelihood	Measures undertaken
	Local community not engaged with the project	H	L	These projects have come from development of the scheme and are based on the Landscape and Access Plan which was produced in consultation with local people
	Projects not delivered on time	M	L	Projects planned in two phases to allow key projects to take place first and then ones which require further development to be delivered
<b>Background information</b>	The project proposals are based on the Landscape and Access Plan - consultation document produced during the development phase of the scheme. It is in File 4.			