

SECTION 4 – VISION AND OBJECTIVES

Paragraph numbers below refer to the paragraph numbers in Section 4 – Vision and Objectives – of the Discussion Paper

Comments on paragraph 4.2

Once again, this paragraph emphasises the importance of AONBs but highlights the particular importance of Arnside and Silverdale's AONB stating that it is not only of national importance but of **international importance** and making the point that it needs to be conserved and enhanced for **future generations**.

It would be totally unacceptable, therefore, for a Local Authority to feel itself constrained to comply with short-term 5, 10 or 15 year planning policies at the expense of Arnside & Silverdale's Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty.

Question 4

The 4 bullet points describing the "Vision" seem appropriate but should be reinforced by a requirement for the Vision to extend to future generations as per the first paragraph of comments on 4.2. I appreciate that it might be implied in the existing 4 bullet points but it would probably be safer to spell it out.

Comments on 4.4(3)

I do not consider that the Housing Needs Survey Report adequately demonstrates a material need for an increase in local housing. Such needs are necessarily based on a snapshot in time and ignore the obligations set out in paragraph 4.2 that conservation must be for future generations and not just the current generation.

Question 5

Subject to the comment made against paragraph 4.4 above, the Objectives set out seem sound.