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Key decisions and actions arising

Notes and actions from previous meeting

1. The minutes were agreed.

Expert Groups Terms of Reference

2. The Group agreed to amend section 20 from:

Each member is expected to endorse the overall direction of the access proposal as defined at the outset, and not seek to challenge or undermine the original policy intent behind the 2017 proposal. However, it may be that collectively members reach conclusions about the viability of different delivery options.

To:-

Each member must support the work of the Expert Group to develop options to take forward each of the access proposals. Members must
respect the policy intent relating to each proposal, although they are free
to express concerns about the viability of different delivery options.

**Expert Groups establishment**

3. Simon and Jont had scored the Expert Group EOI applications
   prior to the meeting and submitted these to the ARAG with
   recommendations.
4. The Group agreed to increase the size of each Expert Group
   from 2-3 to 4 x land manager/recreational interest/public sector.
5. The Group agreed it would be beneficial to draw on the expertise
   of some of the unsuccessful applicants. This expertise will be
   called in for time limited roles and/or specific tasks.
6. As insufficient public sector EOI applications had been received
   for EG 1 and 3, the Group agreed to re-open public sector
   applications until 6 January. Members of the Steering Group
   discussed means of boosting applications including targeted
   discussions.
7. It was agreed to contact Data Cymru to enquire about
   technical/data expertise for assisting with EG3.
8. It was agreed to send the notification of outcomes to applicants
   by 20 December.

**Expert Group 1 membership:**
Jonathan Hughes – National Trust
Rhian Nowell Phillips – Countryside Alliance
Sophie Dwerryhouse – Country Land and Business Association
Rachel Lewis-Davies – National Farmers Union Wales
Hugh Craddock – Open Spaces Society
Mark Weston – British Horse Society
Kieran Foster – Cycling UK
Elfyn Jones – British Mountaineering Council
James Nevitt – Ministry of Defence
Richard Ball – Brecon Brecons National Park Authority
Public Sector – to be advised

**Expert Group 2 membership:**
Rhian Nowell Phillips – Countryside Alliance
Sophie Dwerryhouse – Country Land and Business Association
Rachel Lewis-Davies – National Farmers Union Wales
Nick Fenwick – Farmers Union Wales
Angela Charlton – Ramblers Cymru
Kate Ashbrook – Open Spaces Society
Mark Weston – British Horse Society
Duncan Dollimore – Cycling UK
David Shiel – Clywydian Range AONB
Gareth Owen – Ceredigion County Council
Chris Dale – Swansea County Council

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**Expert Group 3 membership:**
- Rhian Nowell Phillips – Countryside Alliance
- Charles de Winton – Country Land and Business Association
- Rachel Lewis-Davies – National Farmers Union Wales
- Nick Fenwick – Farmers Union Wales
- Rebecca Brough – Ramblers Cymru
- Beverley Penny – Open Spaces Society
- Mark Weston – British Horse Society
- Tim Hutton – Cycling UK
- Gwyn Teague – Vale of Glamorgan County Council
- Lisa Lloyd – Brecon Beacons National Park Authority
- Public Sector – to be advised
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**Policy Intents**

9. Joe agreed to provide initial comments on the early draft policy intents (for each Expert Group) Helen will circulate to all ARAG members for comment.

**Recruitment Update**

10. The Group were advised that Jont and Jayne had been successful in securing posts within NRW’s Access Reform Programme.