

Appendix A

Outcome of assessment of Expressions of Interest for organisations wishing to run countryside sites

Following submissions of expressions of interest from organisations wishing to take over the running of sites. 11 submissions were received prior to the deadline with a further submission being late. Assessment and appraisal has been carried out and a summary is provided below.

Organisation	Site Interest	Panel Comment & Recommendation
Charity	All	Substantial endowment requested as expected. Decline
Private individual	Stockabank Woodland	No public access to wood. Also not CAT since private individual. Pursue local management solution instead.
Private individual	Spring Wood	Proposal for private food outlet and from private individual. Decline– discuss planning issues
Private individual	Beacon Fell Cafe	Submission to run café only. Possible solution to keep in LCC and renegotiate café terms and open hours. Decline– consider re tendering of café facility
Charity	9 sites in the borough of Hyndburn	Robust application from established local environmental charity. Some sites can be passed freehold; some passed via long term lease (eg Whinney Hill). Progress
Charity	Levens Drive	Robust application from established local charity. Progress
Charity	All	Substantial endowment requested. Decline