

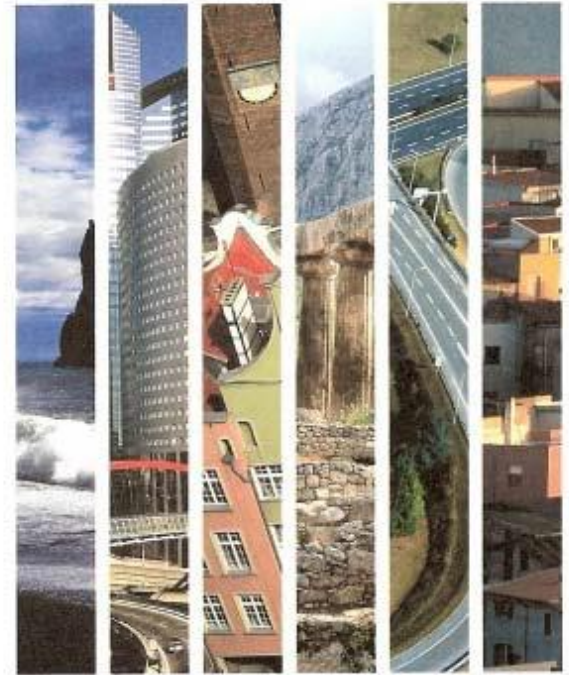
# The continuing relevance of "All Landscape Matter"

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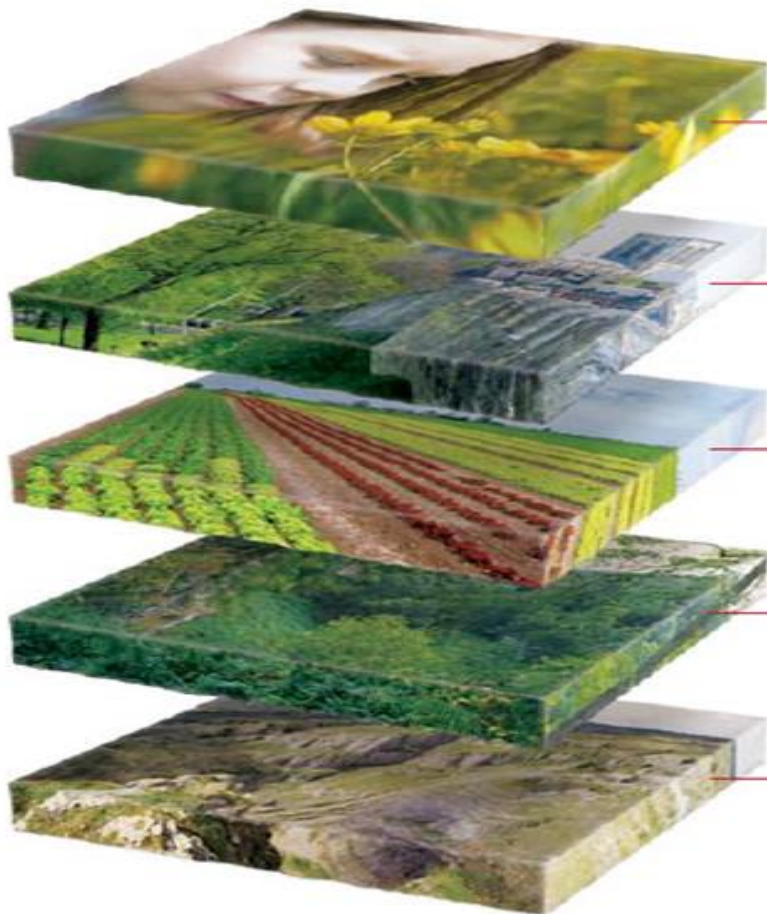
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...acknowledging that the landscape is an important part of the quality of life for people everywhere – in urban areas and in the countryside, in degraded areas as well as in areas of high quality, in areas recognised as being of outstanding beauty as well as everyday areas



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EUROPEAN LANDSCAPE  
CONVENTION



**Experience**

**History**

**Land use**

**Biodiversity**

**Geodiversity**

# Landscape



- ‘An area - as perceived by people - whose character is the result of the action and interaction of natural and/or human factors’
- Landscape is important, not as just scenery or a backdrop, but because it links culture with nature, and past with present.
- Landscape has many values not all of them tangible; it matters to, and is valued by, people and provides a context for people’s lives.
- It puts emphasis on the whole landscape not just the ‘best bits’ and applies to all landscapes everywhere and in any condition – land, inland water, inter-tidal, marine, natural, rural, urban and peri-urban, outstanding, ordinary and degraded.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/european-landscape-convention-guidelines-for-managing-landscapes>

# Conservation 21: Natural England's Conservation Strategy for the 21st Century

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- Creating (long-term) resilient landscapes
- Putting people at the heart of the environment
- Growing Natural Capital

# Significance for Pennine Prospects

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## National Character Area profiles

## Case study 3 – Guiding investment, grant applications and partnership working

Pennine Prospects, the Southern Pennines Regeneration Company, whose boundary area is very closely aligned with the Southern Pennines National Character Area (NCA), uses the profile on a number of levels;

- At a strategic level, as the basis for the development of the South Pennines Local Nature Partnership and to underpin the Watershed Landscape Project supported by the Heritage Lottery Fund.
- To develop on the ground projects and programmes, such as the South Pennines twite recovery project with RSPB.
- As a resource and tool for communication, for example in developing the annual South Pennines Walk and Ride Festival.

### Where

The Southern Pennines is a landscape of large-scale sweeping moorlands, pastures enclosed by drystone walls, and gritstone settlements contained within narrow valleys. As part of the Pennine ridge of hills it lies between the Peak District National Park and Yorkshire Dales National Park, but has its own distinctive identity. It is administered by a number of different local authorities. This makes “landscape-scale working” in the area especially important to ensure a collective approach to the wide-reaching opportunities for biodiversity and society are recognised, managed and enhanced.

### Who

Pennine Prospects is a non-profit organisation and company bringing together a partnership of six local authorities, private sector, membership organisations such as the NFU and the National Trust, Natural England and voluntary sector umbrella organisations. It acts as a champion for the area and co-ordinates regeneration activity to conserve and enhance landscape and heritage, while improving opportunities for local communities and visitors.



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