

Table 5: State of the AONB indicators

Monitoring the condition of the Lincolnshire Wolds AONB			
Resource	Theme	Database menu	Data source
COUNTRYSIDE AND LANDCOVER	Landscape features	Farmland composition: ratios and % change Mixed farm ratios Traditional arable types Average farm sizes	Defra
		Extent, condition and change in characteristic features (e.g. hedgerows, beech clumps, traditional orchards, green lanes and verges etc - as identified in Table 1)	LWCS
		Extent and condition of woodland under positive management Woodland grant schemes	FC
	Scenic landscape character	Photographic: fixed point monitoring of key views and features – to include samples across the four different landscape character areas	LWCS
	Land use and development	% land managed under higher-tier agri-environment schemes	Defra
		Number of consents for conversion from rural to other uses (housing, non-agricultural) Number of consents resulting in incremental development	LAs , LWCS
	Light pollution	% of AONB affected by light pollution	CPRE
	Tranquillity	% of AONB disturbed by constant traffic noise (road, air)	CPRE
CULTURAL AND VERNACULAR	Scheduled Monuments	Number of SMs and % at Risk	EH
	Historic landscapes	Number on Register/LA register and condition	EH, LAs
	Historic parks and gardens	Number on Register/LA register and condition	EH, LAs
	Listed buildings	Number and % at risk, number in positive management	EH, LAs
ECOLOGY AND ENVIRONMENT	Biodiversity	Number and condition of designations (SSSI, LGS/RIGS, LWS/SNCI, etc)	NE, LAs
	Air quality	Local air quality against national trend	EA
	Water quality	Rivers A and B Pollution incidents	EA
SOCIO-ECONOMIC AND QUALITY OF LIFE	Awareness	% of residents aware that they are in AONB	LWCS
		% of visitors aware they are in AONB	LWCS
		Public concern for countryside against national average	NE
	Enjoyment	% of PRoW that are easy to use and signposted	LAs
		% of AONB open to public for public access and recreation purposes	LAs
	Land-based economy	% of AONB under sustainable land management against national % Agricultural economy within AONB against national trends	Defra
		% increase in visitor numbers % increase in visitor-related employment	LAs LRO
	Community	Geographic availability of services against national average Access to affordable housing against national average Village shops, POs, halls etc Public transport links (train, bus)	NE CL