

Broads Society Newsletter

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We look forward to 2020 with some trepidation whilst we await the Government's proposals following the Landscape Review (commonly known as the Glover Review).

Please see link below:

https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_dat a/file/833163/landscapes-review-final-report.pdf

There have been many Broads related articles in the press and social media recently, and the Broads Society as a charity is careful to take a balanced and fair view. To enable us to reflect the views of those effected by any future proposals we are anxious, as the only body representing the views of all sectors of the community living, working and being part of the Norfolk & Suffolk Broads, that we all have a say in that future.

This means the Society is prepared to give very short presentations on what we do, how we do it and to answer your questions at any of your council meetings as well as participate at fetes & fairs, both at indoor and outdoor venues.

As someone commented recently, we do not want a situation where decisions are made (and we understand many of the suggestions in Glover do not need legislation for implementation) that "Nobody told us".

The Broads Society is a member of the Campaign for National Parks which encompasses all of the Friends Groups of the current National Parks and this does give us a voice.

The Society is about to embark on a fact finding exercise on flooding in the Broads and we need your council and parishioner's help. We are seeking any information of recent flooding in your area; has flooding got worse in the last decade?, do you have flood alleviation schemes or works in your area? Are any areas such as boatyards, other businesses or residential buildings enclosed by flood defences? Are you aware of how many people in your area have signed up to Environment Agency Floodline? Are you aware if those who are signed up are actually receiving those warnings?

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