



Landscape Conservation Action Plan

**Sheffield Lakeland
Landscape Partnership**



Orchid Carr House Meadows
Photo Sarah Sidgwick



This is a special – and unique – area and the work of the Sheffield Lakeland Landscape Partnership seeks to identify, protect and celebrate these qualities.

Introduction and Acknowledgements

Since before anyone here thought about a Landscape Partnership, and certainly well before any staff were engaged to deliver one, individuals from a range of organisations met, discussed related issues, decided on strategies and delivered good environmental, cultural heritage, leisure and health initiatives across the place that we are now calling Sheffield Lakeland.

At some point during those conversations the 'germ idea' of formalising working together was hatched, the Heritage Lottery Fund offered the catalyst through the Landscape Partnerships programme and a steering group came together to deliver a Landscape Conservation Action Plan (LCAP). It would have been 2015 when people started to work in earnest toward such a goal and only in spring of 2017 did the Heritage Lottery offer financial support for that group to engage paid staff to take the next step.

Throughout 2017-18, the steering group has continued to support and shape the development of the Partnership programme and in this we would like to recognise that whether employed or acting in a voluntary capacity, not one of them had 'Creating A Landscape Partnership' as part of their role. The work of this group towards bringing a Landscape Partnership about will mostly go un-noted across the community; this is a suitable point to record their effort and to recognise the work they have done.

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