Introduction to World Heritage Site Management Plan Report for 2007 - 2008 and Action Plan for 2008 - 2009

The following is a report of progress on delivering the Management Plan for the Giant's Causeway and Causeway Coast World Heritage Site and also outlines actions proposed to be carried out during the current year. The Management Plan runs until 2010 however we will review the plan in 2009 and commence preparation of the new plan.

In the past year the replacement of the visitor centre has been much discussed in the media. The National Trust and Moyle District Council have now agreed that the National Trust should lead the development of the visitor centre and the Trust submitted a planning application in June 2008 which is a significant milestone. Much of the management committee's time has been on focused on ensuring that the visitor centre will be appropriately integrated with the site. This requires looking at transport to and around the site and planning for interpretation. There is consensus that the visitor centre should support visitor's appreciation of the site but should not detract from the real attraction, the World Heritage Site.

To benefit visitors directional tourist signage for the Causeway Coastal Route has been installed between Londonderry and Belfast. On the World Heritage Site the visitor experience has been enhanced by rangers who provide first hand interpretation. The dedication of volunteers to this work has been particularly appreciated.

The Shifting Shores study commissioned by the National Trust and published in 2007 included a case study on the World Heritage Site. It identified the possible impacts of climate change and sea level rise and the resulting management challenges for the site. Some of these challenges are already being seen through landslides arising from prolonged rain which in turn are affecting public access. It highlights that planning and management need to take account of the dynamic nature of the site.

During the period while negotiations were taking place about the visitor centre the Department of the Environment postponed meetings of the Management Committee on the basis that it would be difficult to hold open discussions relating to the visitor centre. Some members of the committee voiced concern at this decision and the committee is examining management structures in other World Heritage Sites with a view to developing new management arrangements for the future.

A report was submitted by EHS in January 2008 to the World Heritage Committee of UNESCO, primarily to update it on the replacement of the visitor centre. The Committee considered this in June, welcomed the involvement of stakeholders and noted progress in relation to the visitor centre. It has requested an update in February 2010.

There are many important actions identified in the management plan which have been impossible to deliver without a dedicated World Heritage Site Officer. Funding has been agreed for this officer and it is hoped to have someone in place in early 2009. Among the many benefits that we look forward to, the WHS Officer will bring the opportunity to give local communities more input to how the World Heritage Site is managed. They will also compile information about the site in a readily accessible (GIS based) format.

Susanna Allen (Chairperson) On behalf of the World Heritage Site Management Committee

Giant's Causeway and Causeway Coast World Heritage Site Management Plan

This plan will contribute to the implementation of the Causeway Coast and Glens Tourism Masterplan whenever it is compatible with the objectives and interests of the World Heritage Site Management Plan.

Objective 1 – implement, monitor and review the WHS Management Plan through the formation of an active and effective partnership of bodies with responsibility for making and implementing decisions that may affect the Site.

Action	Extent	Agencies	Target for implementation	Progress to date (highlight any actions that will be completed by 31 Mar 08)	Progress planned for Apr 08 to Mar 09	Priority
Form the proposed WHS Management group to provide strategic guidance for the development, management and conservation of the site	WHS	DETI, NIEA, MDC, NT, CCGHT	In progress	Group set up June 2005 and 10 meetings have been held	Meet regularly during incoming year	Complete
Prepare and co-ordinate an annual programme for action that translates the WHS Management Plan's objectives into practical action on the ground	WHS	NIEA WHSO	In progress	Annual programme agreed Mar 2007 and updated by members by end Mar 2008	Discussion June 2008 to agree the next Action Plan	1
Co-ordinate with other bodies and landowners on the Site and within the setting to prevent duplication of activities	WHS	WHSO	Ongoing	Little progress as focus has been on visitor centre	Function of WHS Officer (WHSO) once appointed	1

Objective 2 – integrate the management of the visitor centre and associated facilities and the management of the Site

Action	Extent	Agencies	Target for implementation	Progress to date (highlight any actions that will be	Progress planned for Apr 08 to Mar 09	Priority
				completed by 31 Mar 08)		
Consider appointment of a WHS	WHS	NIEA,	Short term	NT has prepared	Letter of Offer issued	1
Management Officer		NT,		submission to NIEA for	to NT in May 08	
		MDC		grant aid which was	Final job description to	
				approved in principle.	be agreed by MG with	
				Moyle District Council has	appointment of WHSO	
				provided £2000 in budgets	in Autumn 08	
				over a three year period for		
				a WHS Management		
				Officer		
				NT have funding in place		

Objective 3 – involve local communities in the strategic management of the Site

Action	Extent	Agencies	Target for	Progress to date	Progress planned for	Priority
			implementation	(highlight any actions	Apr 08 to Mar 09	
				that will be completed by		
				31 Mar 08)		
Identify key points of contact and	WHS	MG	Short term	CCGHT and CC AONB	WHSO will build links	1
establish formal links with local		WHSO		management group	with local community	
community groups				provide links with wider		
				community. Info about		
				WHS on their web page.	Formalised engagement	
				NT have held regular	strategy by March 09	
				meetings with		
				community organisations		
Establish a Local/Regional	WHS	MG	Short term	No progress to date	To be established in	1
Advisory Forum to advise the					09/10	
future management of the Site						

Objective 4 – ensure adequate information is available to all Site managers

Action	Extent	Agencies	Target for implementation	Progress to date (highlight any actions that will be completed by 31 Mar 08)	Progress planned for Apr 08 to Mar 09	Priority
Develop effective monitoring regimes (see appendix D)	WHS	NT, NIEA	Short term	CMS scheme developed for ecological management of the site under auspices of NNR plan.	On-going review of CMS	1
Develop a GIS system accessible to all agencies involved with Site management	WHS	WHSO, NIEA	Short term	No progress to date	NIEA to investigate co- ordinating info on NIEA site	2
Incorporate ecological baseline data into the GIS	WHS & Setting	NIEA, NT	Short term	NVC data held in paper form by NIEA	NVC data held by NIEA to be transferred onto GIS system	2
Survey the Site to record the location and condition of archaeological/historic structures and features and then incorporate the results into the proposed GIS	WHS	NIEA, NT	Short term	Archaeological survey completed, includes georeferencing	Incorporate into GIS in 09/10	3
Create a database of historical information relevant to the Site	WHS	MG	Medium term	Some info. being collated by interpretative designers	Not priority for current year	3
Explore the feasibility of creating a single repository for storing original material and copies relevant to the Site	WHS	MG, MAGNI	Medium term	No progress to date	WHSO to compile register of information	3

Objective 5 – establish links with other similar World Heritage Sites

Action	Extent	Agencies	Target for implementation	Progress to date (highlight any actions that will be completed by 31 Mar 08)	Progress planned for Apr 08 to Mar 09	Priority
Establish links to collaborate and share information on management and monitoring with other similar WHS.	WHS	WHSO, NIEA	Ongoing	NIEA ongoing contact through DCMS, WHS Coordinator meetings CCGHT have links with several WHS – Jurassic Coast - Eng, Newgrange - ROI, Thingvellir – Iceland NT-Undertaken on ad-hoc basis.	Activity of WHSO in 09/10 CCGHT are looking at establishing Geopark status for part of the area though this would be a two year process	1

Objective 6 – accept the management consequences of a dynamic site

Action	Extent	Agencies	Target for	Progress to date (highlight	Progress planned for	Priority
			implementation	any actions that will be	Apr 08 to Mar 09	
			_	completed by 31 Mar 08)	_	
Review the use of stabilisation	WHS	NT	Short term	A scoping study on	ongoing	1
techniques which prevents/reduces				climate change was		
geomorphological activity				carried out by NT		

Objective 7 – support geological research programmes and projects

Action	Extent	Agencies	Target for implementation	Progress to date (highlight any actions that will be completed by 31 Mar 08)	Progress planned for Apr 08 to Mar 09	Priority
Encourage researchers to use the Site in their work	WHS	NT NIEA/GSNI	Ongoing	Seabed mapping by NIEA Climate change report produced by NT	NIEA/GSNI to review opportunities Opportunities will be explored through UK's Heritage Science initiative	2
Ensure that the GIS (see objective 4) is available to researchers and that their results are, where appropriate, incorporated back into the GIS	WHS	MG	Ongoing	No progress to date	09/10 priority for WHSO	2
Encourage the use of the Site and region for academic conferences	WHS	MG	Ongoing	No progress to date	Opportunity to tap into government funded PhDs. Talk to Paul Lyle to identify research priority. NIEA to make contact	3

Objective 8 – ensure that the unique character, distinctiveness and aesthetic quality of the Site's 'natural' landscape is recognised, conserved and enhanced

Action	Extent	Agencies	Target for implementation	Progress to date (highlight any actions that will be completed by 31 Mar 08)	Progress planned for Apr 08 to Mar 09	Priority
Reduce, whenever possible, the visual intrusion of the buildings into the lower areas of the WHS	WHS	MG, PS, NT	Ongoing	NT took over responsibility for new visitor facilities in Feb 08	NT to submit a planning application for new visitor facilities on the basis of the public sector (Heneghan-Peng) design by June 2008	1
On-site infrastructure, including bus, road, paths, fencing and temporary fencing should be reviewed and redesigned to reflect landscape character and quality of the WHS	WHS	NT	Opening of visitor centre	Path work undertaken	Greater co-ordination with visitor centre development. Progress access plan	1
Ensure landscape concerns are reflected in the Visitor Access Masterplan (see objective 19)	WHS	MG, WHSO, DETI	Opening of Visitor centre	See objective 19	Take into account in access plan	1

Objective 9 – improve knowledge and understanding of the landscape character of the Site and its setting

Action	Extent	Agencies	Target for implementation	Progress to date (highlight any actions that will be completed by 31 Mar 08)	Progress planned for Apr 08 to Mar 09	Priority
Undertake a landscape assessment for the Site and its setting	WHS	NIEA	Short term	Considered in draft Northern Area Plan published May 2005 NIEA prepared paper on landscape April 2007	Baseline information is in place. No proposals for current year.	1
Incorporate landscape baseline into GIS system to support decision making	WHS	NIEA WHSO	Short term	No progress to date	LCA boundaries to be added to GIS	2

Objective 10 – balance the management requirements of visitors with the Site's ecology

Action	Extent	Agencies	Target for	Progress to date	Progress planned for	Priority
			implementation	(highlight any actions	Apr 08 to Mar 09	
				that will be completed by		
				31 Mar 08)		
Include ecological constraints and	WHS	MG,	Opening of	75% of visitor centre	EIA/TIA to be	1
issues within the Visitor Access		NT	Visitor centre	EIA/TIA complete	completed prior to	
Masterplan (see objective 19)					planning application in	
				See objective 19	June 2008.	
					Take into account in	
					site access plan	

Objective 11 – update and use the SAC conservation objectives, NNR draft management plan and additional ASSI objectives to manage the Site's ecology

Action	Extent	Agencies	Target for implementation	Progress to date (highlight any actions that will be completed by 31 Mar 08)	Progress planned for Apr 08 to Mar 09	Priority
Update and finalise the NNR management plan in line with WHS Management Plan	WHS	NT. NIEA, MG	2005	Ongoing	Progress report on plan delivery due March 2009	1
Continue to use the SAC objectives and NNR management plan to inform the development of visitor access proposals and in day-to-day management of the Site	WHS	NT	ongoing	ongoing	Take into account in site access plan	1

Objective 12 – develop management proposals for the sub-tidal zone

Action	Extent	Agencies	Target for	Progress to date (highlight any	Progress planned for	Priority
			implementation	actions that will be completed by 31	Apr 08 to Mar 09	
				Mar 08)		
Commission research into the	WHS	NIEA	Short term	NIEA are undertaking seabed	Evaluation of results	2
conservation interests of the				mapping of the area.	of seabed	
sub-tidal zone					monitoring for WHS	
Ensure that the counter-	WHS	CG,	ongoing	Maritime and Coastguard Agency	Procedures in place	1
pollution and response	&	NIEA		has a National Contingency Plan in		
procedures are activated when	Setting			place.		
necessary to counteract				www.mga.gov.uk/c4mca/mcgahome		
accidental discharge from the				NIEA EP has specialist equipment		
land or passing maritime				and comprehensive plans for		
vessels				dealing with coastal pollution.		

Objective 13 – interpret and promote the intangible values and cultural heritage of the Site

Action	Extent	Agencies	Target for implementation	Progress to date (highlight any actions that will be completed by	Progress planned for Apr 08 to Mar 09	Priority
				31 Mar 08)		
Include cultural heritage and intangible values in the interpretation of the Site	WHS	MG, NT, NITB	Short term	Cultural heritage is being developed as part of the Interpretive Content Strategy for the new facilities CCGHT have commissioned a Cultural Heritage Audit for wider Causeway Coast and Glens area. CH addressed within CC AONB leaflet and may be addressed within future publications. GCVF Ltd Content Strategy approved by GCVF Board July 2007.	NT/NITB to agree scope, content and medium for interpretation. Interpretation proposals to be completed by Mar 09 MG to review and comment on interpretation proposals for site and wider area. NITB are looking at interpretation of whole Causeway Coastal Route and branding of route	1

$Objective \ 15-seek \ to \ increase \ visits \ to \ the \ Site \ on \ public \ and/or \ other \ forms \ of \ sustainable \ transport$

Action	Extent	Agencies	Target for implementation	Progress to date (highlight any actions that will be completed by 31 Mar 08)	Progress planned for Apr 08 to Mar 09	Priority
Promote details on how to reach the WHS focussing on sustainable methods of transport	WHS	NT, CCGHT	Ongoing	CCGHT promotes sustainable transport within its publications Ongoing	Strategic transport plan to be developed and implemented by opening of visitor centre	1
Provide facilities on-site for visitors to store luggage, cycles etc.	WHS	MG, NT	Ongoing	Architectural floor plan for new centre provides for storage for cyclists and pedestrians.	Provided by opening of visitor centre	1
Examine the feasibility of providing increased levels of public transport to the Site	WHS & Setting	MG,	Medium term	No progress to date	Strategic transport plan to be developed and implemented by opening of visitor centre	1
Prepare a Green Transport Plan for the Site	WHS & Setting	MG, DRD, DOE, NT	Opening of visitor centre	No progress to date	Strategic transport plan developed and implemented by opening of visitor centre	

Objective 16 – signage and information on transport links to the Site should be easily available within the causeway Coast and Glens region and at principal arrival points

Action	Extent	Agencies	Target for implementation	Progress to date (highlight any actions	Progress planned for Apr 08 to Mar 09	Priority
				that will be completed by		
				31 Mar 08)		
Review current signage provision and enhance as necessary for on and off site parking	WHS	NITB, DRD, NT	Ongoing	Causeway Coastal Route signage complete around attraction	Site signage to be reviewed and integrated into new visitor facilities with Roads Service	1
Use the Visitor Servicing Strategy for NI Manual and The Guide to Tourist Signing in NI to promote the Site	Setting	NITB, RS	Short term	Ongoing with current site managers	ongoing	1

Objective 17 – enhance the visitor experience without compromising the significance of the Site

Action	Extent	Agencies	Target for implementation	Progress to date (highlight any actions that will be completed by 31 Mar 08)	Progress planned for Apr 08 to Mar 09	Priority
Develop an official Giant's Causeway and Causeway Coast WHS website	WHS	NIEA WHSO	Short term	NIEA web pages have been updated throughout the year CCGHT has info of WHS on their web page	09/10 priority activity for WHSO CC&GLtd to assist with link to regional web page	1
Develop new world-class visitor centre for the Site	WHS & Setting	NT MDC MG	Short term	Transfer of responsibilities from DETI to NT and they are developing proposals for development and operation of new facilities	NT to submit a planning application for new visitor facilities on the basis of the public sector (Henegan-Peng) design by June 2008.	1
Prepare an integrated marketing/ promotion strategy for the Site	WHS	RTP, MG, NT, NITB, Tourism Ireland	Medium to coincide with VC opening	No progress to date	Link to regional marketing	1

Objective 18 – reduce the impact of 'assisted access' vehicles from the visitor centre to the stones (links with Obj. 8)

Action	Extent	Agencies	Target for implementation	Progress to date (highlight any actions that will be completed by	Progress planned for Apr 08 to Mar 09	Priority
Consider alternative means of 'assisted access' to the causeway	WHS	MG, NT	Opening of visitor centre	31 Mar 08) Paper prepared by NT on various options	Take into account in site access plan	1
Undertake a legal review of the road's status	Z1	NIEA, NT, RS	Opening of visitor centre	Paper prepared by NT on history of road status	Status of road needs to be reviewed to be consistent with new visitor facilities	1

Objective 19 – develop a Visitor Access Masterplan for the Site

Action	Extent	Agencies	Target for implementation	Progress to date (highlight any actions that will be completed by 31 Mar 08)	Progress planned for Apr 08 to Mar 09	Priority
Prepare a Visitor Access Masterplan (to include getting to and around the site)	WHS	MG, RS, NT WHSO	Opening of visitor centre	Researching options	Plan to be completed for submission with application to HLF	1
Explore the feasibility of creating a network of circular walks and longer walks to and from the Site	WHS & Setting	NT, CAAN	Short term	ongoing	Proposals to be included in access strategy	1
Explore the feasibility of creating a shuttle service between Dunseverick Castle and Causeway Head to facilitate longer walks to and from the Site	WHS & Setting	MG, DRD, Translink, NT	Short term	Causeway Coast Rambler Bus Service in place	Proposals to be included in access strategy	1
Undertake a feasibility study for reopening the lower cliff path at least as far as Port na Spaniagh	Z3 and Z4	MG	Medium term	Lower cliff path has been discussed several times and it was agreed that it was inappropriate to progress with the feasibility study for reopening the lower cliff path at the present time.	Agreed not to progress	3

Objective 20 – identify, monitor and address visitor safety issues at the Site

Action	Extent	Agencies	Target for implementation	Progress to date (highlight any actions that will be completed by 31 Mar 08)	Progress planned for Apr 08 to Mar 09	Priority
Within the Visitor Access Masterplan (see Obj 19) use the Visitor safety in the Countryside Group (VSCG) guidance to produce a zoned approach to visitor safety and access	WHS	NT	Short term	No progress to date	Ongoing	1
Undertake regular safety audits, monitoring and risk assessments	WHS	NT	Ongoing	Ongoing work of NT	Ongoing	1
Review the effectiveness of safety throw lines on the Grand causeway. If appropriate, implement a less visual intrusive scheme	Z1	NT	Short term	Occurs as part of regular H&S monitoring	Throw lines expected to be retained for foreseeable future	1
Identify and use less visually intrusive types of temporary safety fencing	Z1, Z2, Z3	NT	Short term	No action	As required	1

Objective 21 – develop a co-ordinated approach to the maintenance and improvement of the interpretation facilities on the Site

Action	Extent	Agencies	Target for implementation	Progress to date (highlight any actions that will be completed by 31 Mar 08)	Progress planned for Apr 08 to Mar 09	Priority
Prepare a cohesive and co-ordinated interpretation strategy for the Site and new visitor centre	WHS	MG, NITB, RTP, NT	Opening of visitor centre	Interpretation Strategy produced for the WHS site Feb 2006 GCVF Ltd Content Strategy approved by GCVF Board July 2007.	NT/NITB to agree scope, content and medium for interpretation. To be completed by Mar 09 combining WHS interpretative strategy and requirements of site and NITB	1
Promote interpretive links to the wider region, particularly through the landscape and geology themes	WHS & Setting	CCGHT	Ongoing	CCGHT has a lead role in relation to interpretation within wider area initially focusing on the Causeway Coastal route	To be included in interpretation implementation plan	1
Explore opportunities for increasing first person interpretation of the Site	WHS	MG, NT, NITB, RTP	Short term	Introduction of extensive ranger service on site	Continuation of activity	1

Objective 22 – maintain and improve the educational programmes and facilities on the Site

Action	Extent	Agencies	Target for implementation	Progress to date (highlight any actions that will be completed by 31 Mar 08)	Progress planned for Apr 08 to Mar 09	Priority
Frequently monitor and review the provision of facilities for formal education of school children	WHS	NEELB, NT, MDC	Ongoing	NT runs programmes for schools – 5-6000 pupils/yr	As part of the HLF bid WHSO to take forward educational activities and engagement with the community	1
Develop formal links between NEELB and the National Trust to exchange ideas and share resources	WHS	NT, NEELB	Ongoing	No progress to date	NT to look at establishing formal links Participate in UK World Heritage Education Programme	1
Extend the education programme(s) to others not currently involved	WHS	MG	Ongoing	No progress to date	CCGHT and CCAONB photographic competition WHSO to be involved with UNESCO Educational Committee. CCGHT CCAONB flora guide	2

Objective 23 – encourage the protection of the setting of the Site to secure the overall integrity of the WHS

Action	Extent	Agencies	Target for implementation	Progress to date (highlight any actions that will be completed by 31 Mar 08)	Progress planned for Apr 08 to Mar 09	Priority
Monitor effectiveness of Northern Area Plan in achieving protection of the setting of the Site	WHS & Setting	MG, PS, NIEA	Ongoing	NAP has been delayed	Not applicable	2
Commission historic and current usage study to demonstrate history and nature of change of development in the area	WHS & Setting	NIEA, MG	Short term	NIEA compiled paper on planning policies	NIEA and PS to discuss any action required in context of dNAP and dPPS14	1
Promote high standards of design for development in the setting	WHS & Setting	CCGHT	Ongoing	Not started	NIEA and PS to discuss any action required in context of dNAP and dPPS14	2
Support the development of a design guide for WHS, setting and wider area	WHS & setting + beyond	NIEA, PS, MG	Short term	Not started	NIEA and PS to discuss any action required in context of dNAP and PPS14	2
Encourage and support the current mixed farming regime within the setting of the Site	WHS & Setting	WHSO DARD	Ongoing	Not started	Not priority for coming year but can review when WHSO in place	2
Undertake an active process of communication to ensure that local landowners and managers, especially the farmers within the are, are made aware of the WHS setting issues	WHS & Setting	MG, DARD	Ongoing	Not started	Not priority for coming year but can review when WHSO in place	3
Explore the feasibility of implementing a special agrienvironment scheme to support farmers within the setting of the WHS	WHS & Setting	NIEA, DARD	Short term	Not started	Review when WHSO in place	2
Encourage the retention and restoration of historic and traditional hedgerows	WHS & setting +	DARD, WHSO	Ongoing	CMS, ESA	Review when WHSO in place	2

	beyond					
Undertake detailed landscape	WHS &	MG	Ongoing	Not started	No plans for current	
character assessment as baseline	setting				year	
for future studies and comparisons	+					
	beyond					

Objective 24 – review the WHS boundary by the end of 2010

Action	Extent	Agencies	Target for	Progress to date	Progress planned for	Priority
			implementation	(highlight any actions	Apr 08 to Mar 09	
				that will be completed		
				by 31 Mar 08)		
Review the boundary of the WHS	WHS	NIEA	2010	Not started	Agree parameters by	3
	&				Mar 09	
	Setting					
Undertake geological and landscape	WHS	NIEA	2010	Not started	Agree parameters by	3
study of possible extension areas to	&				Mar 09	
inform boundary review	Setting					

Monitoring 1 – geology and geomorphology (baseline requirements)

Action	Extent	Agencies	Target for implementation	Progress to date (highlight any actions that will be completed by 31 Mar 08)	Progress planned for Apr 08 to Mar 09	Priority
Convert slope stability data into a	WHS	NT, NIEA	Short term			2
GIS compatible format						
Identify, record and measure	WHS	MG,	Short term			1
extents of current human		NIEA				
interventions		NT				
Gather data on number of scientific	WHS	WHSO	Short term			2
articles/research trips relevant to		NT				
Site undertaken over past decade						
Identify and record damage to the	WHS	MG,	Short term			2
site through encroachment of		NIEA,NT				
vegetation etc.						

Monitoring 2 – landscape (baseline requirements)

Action	Extent	Agencies	Target for implementation	Progress to date (highlight any actions that will be completed by 31 Mar 08)	Progress planned for Apr 08 to Mar 09	Priority
Prepare landscape baseline and photographic survey for Site	WHS	NIEA	Short term	Not started		1

Monitoring 3 – ecology (baseline requirements)

Action	Extent	Agencies	Target for implementation	Progress to date (highlight any actions that will be completed by 31 Mar 08)	Progress planned for Apr 08 to Mar 09	Priority
Convert ecological data into a GIS compatible format	WHS	NIEA	Short term	NVC survey covers most of the site which is available in paper form but also in a form that could be digitised		1

Monitoring 4 – intangible values and cultural heritage (baseline requirements)

Action	Extent	Agencies	Target for implementation	Progress to date (highlight any actions that will be completed by 31 Mar 08)	Progress planned for Apr 08 to Mar 09	Priority
Prepare cultural heritage baseline and surveys for the Site	WHS	NIEA	Short term	Not started		1

Monitoring 5 – visitor management and experience (baseline requirements)

Action	Extent	Agencies	Target for implementation	Progress to date (highlight any actions that will be completed by 31 Mar 08)	Progress planned for Apr 08 to Mar 09	Priority
Undertake baseline visitor survey	WHS	MG,NITB	Ongoing	NITB commissioned and published a Giant's Causeway Visitor Survey in June 07		1
Undertake baseline traffic survey	WHS	DETI	Short term	Traffic survey completed as part of EIA/TIA development		Complete
Undertake visitor safety risk assessment	WHS	NT	ongoing	-		1

Monitoring 6 – socio-economic (baseline requirements)

Action	Extent	Agencies	Target for implementation	Progress to date (highlight any actions that will be	Progress planned for Apr 08 to Mar 09	Priority
				completed by 31 Mar 08)		
Undertake baseline visitor survey	WHS	MG	Ongoing		_	1

Monitoring 7 – setting (baseline requirements)

Action	Extent	Agencies	Target for implementation	Progress to date (highlight any actions that will be completed by 31 Mar 08)	Progress planned for Apr 08 to Mar 09	Priority
Undertake land use mapping exercise	WHS	NIEA	Short term	Not started		1

Monitoring 8 – results

Action	Extent	Agencies	Target for	Progress to date	Progress planned for Apr	Priority
			implementation	(highlight any actions	08 to Mar 09	
				that will be		
				completed by 31 Mar		
				08)		
Undertake an audit of the	WHS	MG	ongoing			1
monitoring results						