But you need to agree the message first...

Follow the New Forest code Be Fore The New Forest is a unique place with rare wildlife and free-roaming livestock. Thank you for helping us care for this special place by following the simple New Forest code. Keep your distance Keep dogs under Stick to the from the animals control. Don't let permitted - don't feed or dogs approach or cycle tracks touch them chase any animals Drive with Take home Park only litter and care - animals in car parks on the road! dog waste Help wildlife by No fires or No wild keeping to the barbecues camping main tracks **NEW FOREST** New Forest Forestry England forest NEW FOREST NATIONAL PARK NEW FOREST KATIONAL PAR

Face to face tools

Rangers- Full time, seasonal and apprentice

Extra staff

Volunteers

Interviews

Mobile Units

Proper trainingin engagement and interpretation





Digital and physical signage tools

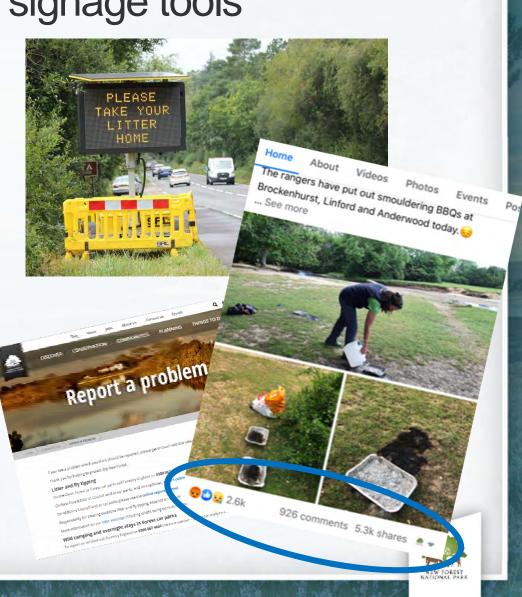
Social media campaigns BBQ ban #add3minutes

Report a problem page

Time implications- needs dedicated communications staff

Research- only about 10% of people read information signs in car parks. But they are important in the right place, and especially if they covey timely information

Changing signage- avoids sign familiarity



Partnership tools

Ambassadors - local people and businesses

Local information points

Local farmers – 'commoners' – co-creation of messages and programmes with the local community

Issue specific groups-

Dogs forum

Cycling working group Animal accident reduction group Feeding animals forum Litter working group









Ambassadors

- We now have over 800 ambassadors
- They pick litter and help give out the 'New Forest Code'
- Dedicated local people
- We are looking at ways to help them do more

"I think it is great and my son who is 4, loves it. He asks daily if he can go out to find rubbish. Its great for him to learn about where we live and grow up having respect for our area. Unfortunately, he gets quite sad when he does find the rubbish and wants to know why the "naughty people" leave their rubbish and not take it home with them. He saw a dead bird that had some string around it and it made him cry, I explained that's why its so important that we do this."





Long term opportunities

Building new relationships with new audiences- 'Maintain the gain'

People who will protect and care for nature in the future

Increased appreciation of the value of nature and access to it







Summary

- There are no easy solutions, no magic wands
- But there are lots of different engagement tools that each work, in the right situation
- Using a variety of tools gives you experience of which work best in which situations
- Always work in partnership
- It is a good thing that lots of people want to visit nature- the alternative is worse!

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- Vilka är de största utmaningarna i kommunikation med besökare om regler i skyddad natur?
- Vilka är dina bästa tips för hur man kan förebygga konflikter och öka förståelse för regler i skyddad natur med naturvägledning?
- Dela gärna goda exempel på samarbete med andra aktörer kring att kommunicera om regler i skyddad natur



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