

Pennine PeatLIFE



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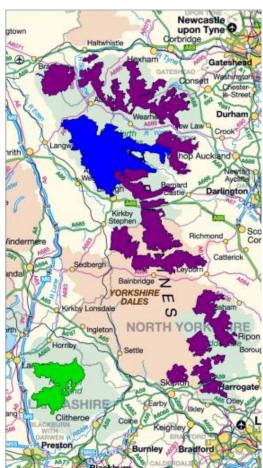
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The aim of the Pennine PeatLIFE project is to demonstrate and evaluate geographically appropriate Blanket Bog restoration techniques suited to the harsher climatic environment of northern England and the development and showcasing of a financial payment for ecosystem services (PES) mechanism in

the UK Peatland Code.

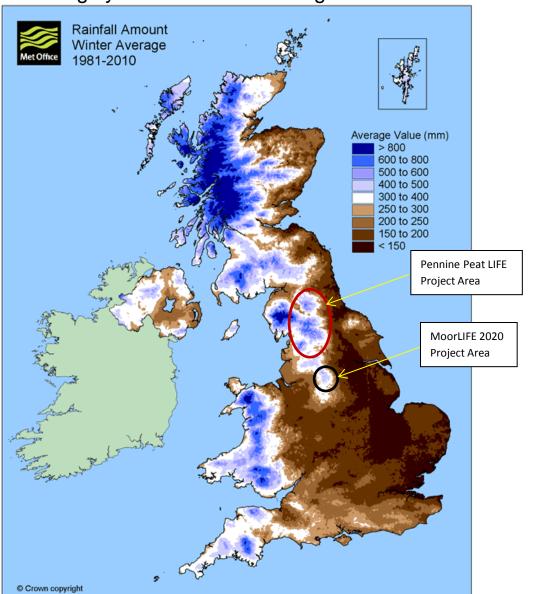






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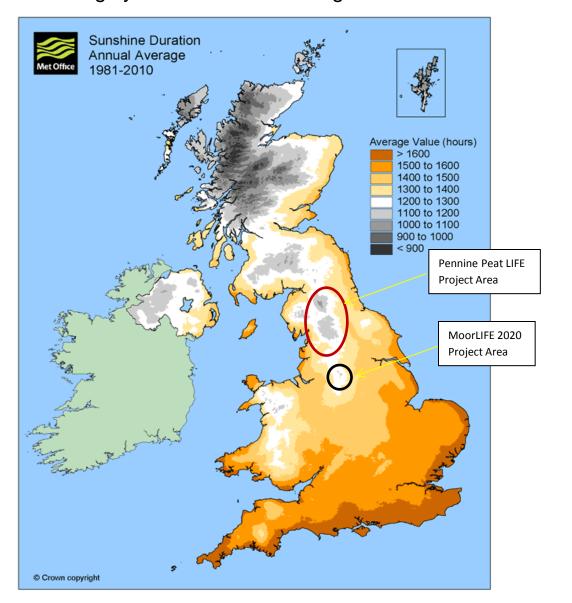


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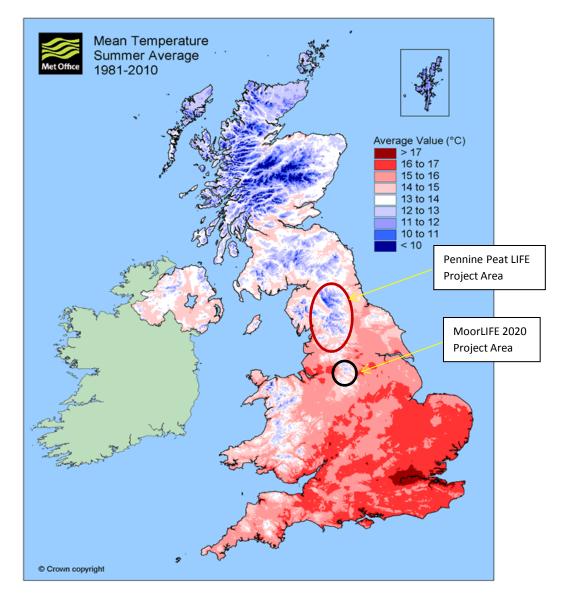


Cloudy!



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Cold in summer!

Basically southern Scotland with more red grouse!





Demonstrating through 'Concept to Contract' trials, the UK Peatland Code, as a viable payment for ecosystem services for upland peatlands.





Trials with land managers and Yorkshire Water as a pretend "carbon buyer" to:

- evaluate the UK Peatland Code bureaucracy.
- Work out how to draw up management plans and design documents and the administrative and accounting processes for each site
- develop a prototype contract to demonstrate to land managers and "carbon buyers" the mechanism of a Peatland Code agreement
- develop a method for evaluating the ecosystem service benefits and financial viability of the Peatland Code



Demonstrating new approaches using Unmanned Aerial Vehicles (UAV) to assess vegetation change as a proxy measure for monitoring the trajectory of change in ecosystem services benefits of blanket bog undergoing restoration and as a validation tool for the UK Peatland







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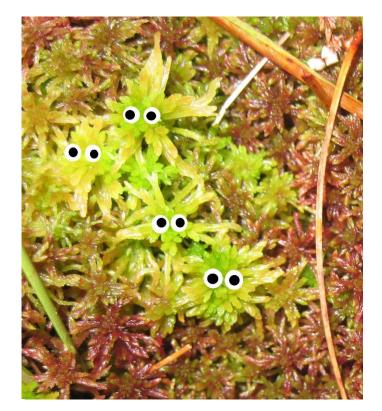
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Thanks for listening and watch this space!





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