**Thank you**……. Brecon Beacons Park Society on ‘rewilding - a new dimension to the uplands’. I’m RY….Welcome others.

**How many heard the phrase** rewilding? Now, how many have heard a definition?

**Here’s a starter** - *‘humans stepping back, allowing nature to determine what happens next – while reintroducing ‘absent’ wildlife’*.

……Ecological restoration to prevent ecological stagnation.

**Alternatively, you could view it as media frenzy** fixated on bringing back carnivores (perfect to stir social media campaigns) – more stimulating than updating land management practices…enhance habitat.

**To disciples of rewilding** – it’s unstable, incoherent, yet radical, exciting – breaking up staid conservation.

**To detractors** for the opp reasons. Risk to rare species, ordered nature reserve management plans.

**That’s the point.** No prescriptive management for rewilding…I will attempt to articulate both views.

**It’s a wide ranging subject** – in the time – I will explore...*elements of rewilding*.

**You read an article**, you can glean more from the comments…..

**I want to hear the widest range of views** from you. Conservation deserves robust debate! **Who’s here?**

**Roger has kindly…**moderate this discussion - I can be a tough chair, no mission statements, rambling or repeating view - apex predator here OK

**Frame a question**… to try and answer at end of our discussion –

*‘Lake District applying for World Heritage Site status (UNESCO) - seen as preservation. To show alternative, could BBNP adopting some elements of rewilding within its conservation practices to make the BB more resilient for the future?’*