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People visit all year round.

There isn't a closed season now, it used to be, I don't know 15 or 20 years ago it used to be Easter through to September was the busy period and then come Widecombe Fair that was the end of the summer, was always how it was said, but I think increasingly now with improved wet weather gear and people either living locally and they want to get out and about, so if we get a fine day at a weekend out of the old traditional season if you like, sort of October, November, December, either bright and clear, it will be as busy on Haytor as it is during the summer months, because it isn't necessarily beach weather they'll actually come up and they'll enjoy walking and all the recreational activities I mentioned earlier, from picnicking right through to formal climbing and everything else, which is great, obviously that does put a pressure on the moor, in terms of the ground, it doesn't get a respite if you like, so things like erosion are issues.