

P10 Waterways for Wildlife

Theme(s):	A: Conserve and restore river habitat, and adapt to / mitigate for the physical impacts of weather extremes and climate change.
Goal(s):	A1: Reduce pollution to the water environment. A2: Retain or restore biodiversity, taking account of weather extremes and climate change.
Sub-goal(s):	A1a: Reduce point-source pollution to the water environment. A1b: Reduce diffuse pollution to the water environment. A2d: Create better, and improve existing, in-river and riverside habitat.

Extend the 'Waterways for Wildlife' project within the proposed Allen Valleys Landscape Partnership scheme to improve the quality of East and West Allen rivers by enhancing in-stream and riparian habitat, including measures to tackle point and diffuse source pollution from metal mines.

Update as at April 2013: the North Pennines AONB Partnership is continuing to develop the Allen Valleys Landscape Partnership bid, including river habitat improvement measures.

Project Status:	Component part of existing Heritage Lottery Fund Landscape Partnership bid currently being developed by the North Pennines AONB Partnership
Potential Deliverer(s):	AONB Partnership, Tyne Rivers Trust, Northumberland Wildlife Trust
Estimated Timeframe:	1 to 5 years
Estimated Project Cost:	£25,000 to £50,000
Potential Funding Source(s):	Heritage Lottery Funding
Additional benefits / links / opportunities:	Would help to tackle the issue of contaminated sediments in the Tyne estuary; work should include consideration of access for recreation
Water Framework Directive link:	Zinc and cadmium failures on the East and West Allen