

# Annual Report 2018–19 WaterSpace Partnership



The WaterSpace Partnership vision:

*‘To revitalise the waterways of Bath & North East Somerset’*

The WaterSpace Partnership was established at the end of 2015, during 2018–19, the four partners have worked together, our collective achievements are summarised in this third Annual Report.



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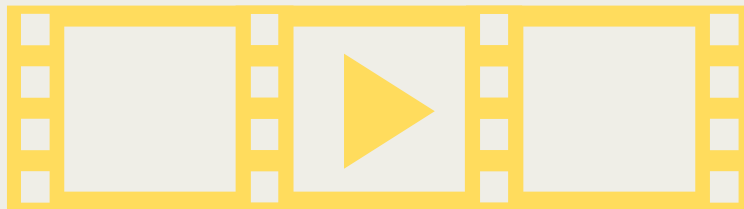
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Video of workboat volunteers in action



River Avon Park Management Plan

Supported Water Blitz water quality monitoring citizen science project



## ACTIVITIES

1 Deep Lock Open Day held

928 WaterSpace Twitter followers

2172 WaterSpace Tweets

7 Steering Group Meetings



30 events at the Festival of Nature (2016–2019)

1 Eel in the Classroom project delivered with Farmborough Primary School



70 Eels released into Newton Brook

## PEOPLE

2 Project delivery officers

1 Apprentice

First litter pick by boat with six local partners involved



4500+ hours of volunteer time

30 Regular volunteers working on Tuesdays & Thursdays

Volunteering activities included: grabline repairs, clearing debris and litter picks, painting, historic fabric repairs



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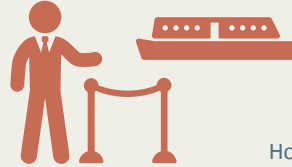


### OUTPUTS

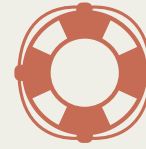


An Award winning WaterSpace Study

2 Canal & River Trust VIP visits hosted



Two Community workboats delivered & £10k volunteer equipment (£48k grant funded)



Hosted visits from International delegations, Cardiff University & Bristol City Design Team



Two paddleboard concessions in Bath



Project awarded silver award for UK Canal & River Trust Living Waterways Award 2018



New trees and improved entrances Kensington at Meadows riverside.

2 new boat based cafes



3rd Annual Dragon Boat Race



17 River Rescue Cabinets and grablines maintained



1 Pop up floating forest



35 project ideas



Improved public spaces



Commercial ventures



Ecology enhancements



Community ideas



Art and sports projects



Mooring development



Work began on-site to improve 320m of towpath (Bathwick)

### FINANCE

£4million



Over £4million developer contributions identified from existing development



£48k

grant secured for Community Workboats (Neighbourhood CIL and other fundraising)



£200k



grants secured through 6 successful funding bids for Bathwick Towpath improvements

£900K

Capital investment in the river corridor (2013-2019)

£3.5million

Outline Business Case Approved for Bath River Line project. 5km towpath and 6 parks. £4.6m match funding earmarked.

