

Catchment Partnerships in Warwickshire, Coventry and Solihull

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**Catchment
Based Approach**



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- 2 Catchment Partnerships
- Tame Anker Mease - active since 2012 90 people on circulation
- Warwickshire Avon - active since 2015 55 people on circulation
- Steering Group for each catchment - partners are:
Environment Agency, Severn Trent, Severn Rivers Trust,
Trent Rivers Trust, Wildlife Trust B'ham & Black Country,
Warwickshire Wildlife Trust, Heart of England Forest, NFU,
SWFWAG, Warwickshire County Council



Developing the Partnerships



Actively
widening the
partnerships

Refreshing the
Catchment
Plans

Accessible
plans, not
technical

Re developing
the pipeline of
projects

Developing Catchment
wide approaches to
engage more people
e.g. rainwater
harvesting to tackle
water resources

- Secured funding for Warwickshire Avon catchment from Water Resources Engagement Fund 2023-24 - to widen range of people involved and raise awareness of declining water resources 14.7k
- Reported **119 ha habitat created** and **26 km of watercourse enhanced** in 2022/23 in Warwickshire Avon
- Input to both the EA River Basin and Flood Risk Management Plans in 2022
- Quarterly Site visits and Catchment meetings held, 20 – 26 people attending each session

Project delivery - examples

- 6+ Flood Action groups active in catchments delivering Natural Flood Management projects, pool creation, hedgerow restoration, to slow flows
- Major River Restoration work – river Blythe SSSI, River Sherbourne
- Local brook enhancement work e.g. Guphill brook, Coventry (images)
- Funds from Environment Agency, Severn Trent, Town Council CIL, ERDF funds for project delivery



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Next steps



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- ❖ Widen range of partners involved
- ❖ Continue to support existing active groups
- ❖ Engage and inform the wider public
- ❖ Develop the pipelines of projects
- ❖ Build ambition and resources for delivery for 30% x 2030
- ❖ Secure more resources for delivery of projects