

Catchment partnership support grants

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Charities Act (2006) reporting

Section 70 of the Charities Act 2006¹ contains a power for the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs to give financial assistance to any charitable, benevolent or philanthropic institution. Sections 70(8) and (9) of that act require the Secretary of State to report to parliament on any use of that power as soon as possible after 31 March in each year.

¹ http://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/2006/50/section/70

Introduction

Defra's Catchment Based Approach (CaBA) Policy², published in June 2013, defined a framework to encourage the adoption of an integrated catchment based approach to improving the quality of our water environment. Defra has supported civil society organisations to establish and maintain partnerships across England's catchments. The Water Environment Improvement Fund (WEIF) was established in 2016.

The WEIF contained a grant component directed at supporting catchment partnerships. Recipients of grants were required to host catchment partnerships, work collaboratively with key stakeholders to enable catchment stakeholders to input into the planning and delivery of environmental outcomes.

The Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs delegated³ the powers to provide financial assistance to the Environment Agency in order to deliver WEIF. The Secretary of State accordingly made a grant to the Environment Agency for the funds.

In the 2016/17 financial year the Environment Agency administered and made available £1.7m of funding to charitable, benevolent or philanthropic institutions through the WEIF. This report sets out how this funding was used.

² Defra's Catchment Based Approach Policy is available at www.gov.uk/government/publications/catchment-based-approach-improving-the-quality-of-our-water-environment

³ Using the powers under subsections (6) and (7) of section 70 of the Charities Act 2006.

Administering catchment partnership support grants

The Environment Agency administered catchment partnership support grants through the non-competitive allocation of funding to existing catchment partnerships and the CaBA National Support Group (NSG)⁴. Each catchment partnership host was able to apply for up to £15,000.

This is the fourth year in which grants have been provided to organisations to support their catchment host role. In 2013/14, under the CaBA framework, the Environment Agency invited organisations to submit expressions of interest to host partnerships in water management catchments⁵ across England and the cross border Welsh catchments. In 2016/17, the Environment Agency clarified with the hosts whether they wished to continue in the role and whether they would steer the work of their partnership to achieve nationally set success measures.

A number of checks were made to establish the appropriateness of host organisations to continue in their role. They needed to be eligible for funding through the Charities Act, secure additional contributions and submit a satisfactory statement of account – including a statement of key activities funded. Environment Agency Catchment Coordinators were also asked to appraise progress.

105 payments were made to organisations hosting partnerships, details are listed in Appendix 1.

⁴ The approach to the NSG is detailed later.

⁵ Water management catchments are areas of land delineated by the flow of water to major lake, river stream or groundwater.

Catchment partnership host success measures

Catchment partnerships, through their host organisations, were asked to deliver and report progress against the following success measures.

- 1 Develop a shared catchment action plan with nationally consistent information on all projects / activity taking place across the catchment partnership that is open to all. This should also include any projects in development but not yet funded. The plan would include, but not be limited to, actions / measures which address Water Framework Directive (WFD) objectives.
- 2 Work with the Defra group, (in particular the Environment Agency, Natural England and Forestry Commission) to develop and agree a shared set of priority places for the catchment partnership that are based on environmental data, investment programmes and local data and information. Catchment partnerships should share evidence, knowledge and experience to support this work to agree priorities for local delivery.
- 3 Participate in a joint evaluation of the catchment partnership to identify capability and capacity across the country.
- 4 Supply information regarding planned actions and enhancements made to waterbodies during the year through delivery of partnership actions.

The information is being evaluated to support improvements of the implementation of the catchment based approach policy and target capacity and capability activities. A high level summary of the information returned is reported below under the impacts of catchment based partnerships.

National Support Group success measures

To support catchment partnerships in delivering improvements to water quality and strengthening their capacity and capabilities, an allocation of £0.268 million of funding was made available for projects delivered at a national level.

The selection of workstreams developing the tools and training was steered by the CaBA NSG, which is made up of organisations that are 'hosting' catchment partnerships.

The Environment Agency assessed the alignment of these proposed workstreams to catchment based approach policy objectives, how they would deliver against the success measures below and set reporting requirements.

A list of the workstreams funded in 2016/17 is given in Appendix 2.

Grants funded central support mechanisms, working groups, projects and posts. A number of training programmes have also been delivered. Each activity was designed with the aim of ensuring catchment partnerships met the success criteria.

More details of the work of the NSG can be found at: www.catchmentbasedapproach.org/

The NSG success measures assessed were:

- 1 Focus on the success criteria for catchment partnerships, capturing relevant data and information to direct NSG activities and ensure that catchment partnerships meet the success criteria by year-end.
- 2 Set realistic targets and report progress for the achievement of the catchment partnership success criteria and of the outcomes and success measures in the NSG workstream activities.

How the catchment partnership support money has been spent - finances

In 2016/17, £1.7m was spent from the WEIF on catchment partnership support. Grant recipients attracted an additional £1.8m of complementary investment to match the funding.

Figure 1. Financial summary of total WEIF payments

Partnerships	Structure ⁶	Allocation	Total
81	Whole catchment	£15k	£1,215,000
24	Sub catchment	£3k - £7.5k	£172,500

Total £1,387,500

Grant	Costs
Total grant awarded to catchment hosts	£1,387,500
Total grant spent on national projects	£268,000
Administration costs and technical assessment	£44,500

Total £1,700,000

⁶ Defra's Catchment Based Approach Policy sets out the 3 natural scales of activity - river basin, whole catchments and sub-catchments

Catchment partnership support - finances

Grant recipients are required to keep separate, accurate and up-to-date accounts to record receipt and expenditure of all grant monies received. As part of this requirement, partnerships needed to submit a statement of account soon after the year end detailing how the grant was spent and a short description of the activities funded.

A breakdown of the general costs incurred/ projected by catchment partnerships can be seen in figure 2.

Figure 2. Summary of expenditure using partnership accounts.

Expenditure type	Total	Percentage [†]
Staff salaries/ costs (including overheads)	£1,053,806	76%
Project work	£120,011	9%
Travel + subsistence	£54,220	4%
Meetings, workshops, conferences	£51,684	4%
Materials + staff equipment + promotional/publicity equipment	£34,185	2%
Contractors	£29,180	2%
Professional fees	£25,916	2%
Website + IT + data / licensing	£15,259	1%
Training	£3,239	<1%

[†] Percentages rounded to aid reading

A number of partnerships were unable to efficiently spend the total value of the grant before the 31 March 2017 when the grant period ended. These partnerships have made a formal request to carry unspent money over into the 2017/18 financial year. Written confirmation of the reasons and details of what the money carried over will be spent on is assessed by the Environment Agency on a case by case basis. Where approval was granted a condition of the consent (to carry funding over financial years) was that all money must be spent by 31 March 2018.

The impacts of catchment partnership support grants

Success measures

The NSG, through national funding initiated a benefits assessment across all partnerships in the final quarter of 2016/17. Analysis of the returned information reported significant progress against the four catchment partnership host success measures with the following headlines:

- 1 96% of catchment partnerships have a catchment action plan, with 25% keeping these under continuous review and 37% reviewing them annually.
- 2 88% of partnerships either actively share data across the partnership membership or are in the process of doing so with 68% using the CaBA data package supplied as a result of WEIF national funding.
- 3 99% of catchment hosts have formally responded to the CaBA NSG benefits assessment request. They all reported information regarding planned actions and enhancements made to waterbodies.
- 4 All projects benefitting from WEIF grants will be incorporated within the final WEIF report from the Environment Agency in autumn 2017.

Catchment plans and priorities

The first catchment partnership host success measure asks catchment partnerships to develop shared catchment plans with a set of agreed priorities for local delivery. These plans need to be evidence based through the sharing of environmental knowledge and information and investment programmes.

The NSG produced a guidance manual⁷ and catchment plan template⁸ to highlight established best practice and made available a data package of 120 GIS layers integrating national datasets with those derived locally.

^{7 -} www.catchmentbasedapproach.org/images/PDFS/CaBA_CatchmentManagement_Framework_v1.pdf

^{8 -} www.catchmentbasedapproach.org/images/Docs/CaBACatchmentManagementPlanTemplate_V2.doc

Partnerships whose plans incorporate these elements are better able to build confidence with external stakeholders and secure funds from a diverse range of sources.

The guidance manual and catchment plan template were supported by three dedicated workshops (combined with the evaluation and benefits reporting) held in Penrith (31 January), Birmingham (14 February) and London (16 February). The GIS data package was supported through a diverse range of mentoring approaches.

96% of catchment partnerships now have agreed Catchment Plans and 70% are using the catchment based approach data package to support their information requirements.

Benefits assessment and evaluation

A benefits working group initiated by NSG undertook the development of an evaluation, monitoring and benefits reporting framework. The aims of this work are to:

- Evaluate the capacity, capabilities and environmental, social and economic benefits realised through delivery by catchment partnerships
- Establish a baseline position reflecting work over the current and previous years
- Establish a framework for continual evaluation to analyse progress towards achievement of the catchment based approach policy
- Identify improvements that can be implemented to increase efficiency, capacity and capability across partnerships and to enhance the delivery of benefits
- Determine the diversity and strength of partnerships and quantify funding leveraged, and the sources of funding
- To identify if a catchment plan has been developed and, if so, the extent to which it has been underpinned by date and evidence, whether priorities for intervention have been collectively identified and project proposals developed.

It is anticipated that comprehensive analysis of all reporting will have been completed in summer 2017 with a CaBA benefits assessment report published in late autumn 2017.

Capacity and capability

In addition to the measures above, catchment partnerships were asked to report how the receipt of funding has changed their capacity and capabilities to collaboratively implement future projects. Example statements are included below.

Adur and Ouse Catchment partnership

"Ever since 2014 the Partnership's main focus on cooperative working has been the formulation, development and submission of a major funding bid. Funding support was critical in the early stages to support the appointment (in 2014) of a temporary Adur and Ouse Officer whose work highlighted a need for projects on the River Adur. HLF (Heritage Lottery Fund) was the initial 'target' of a bid but the partnership eventually settled on EU LIFE instead. The outside consultant with specialist expertise in EU LIFE funding, hired on WEIF funds in 2015-2016, was vital. Despite failure of the bid, there is now a legacy of discrete project proposals which can be pursued separately for funding."

Irwell Catchment partnership

"The WEIF host funding has provided increased capacity to coordinate collaborative activity and to develop and implement projects. Without it we would not have been able to, for example:

- Contribute to development of an EU LIFE Integrated Project, which secured match funding for the WEIF host fund for the next 10 years.
- Provide the necessary staffing capacity to coordinate catchment wide activity and develop partnership projects under the catchment plan, or embed / raise awareness of this plan in the wider infrastructures of Greater Manchester and Rossendale – this coordination is increasingly bringing stakeholders together to work on collaborative projects
- Provide the necessary staffing capacity to contribute to various LIFE IP (Natural Course) projects and deliverables owned by the beneficiaries – the Irwell is the intensive catchment for phases 1 and 2 of the programme, which requires significant resource, not only from the Host Officer, but other Groundwork management and delivery staff
- Provide the staffing capacity needed to attend grant / funder workshops and prepare and submit complementary funding bids to lever in additional resource"

Appendix 1 – Organisations in receipt of catchment partnership hosting support

Following receipt of signed terms and conditions 105 payments were made to organisations hosting partnerships – listed below. Note in some instances several grants were made to different schemes within one catchment.

Catchment ID	Water Management Catchment	River Basin District	Sub / Whole Water Management Catchment	Sub Catchment Name	Joint Host	Organisation (s)	Hosting Money Awarded 16/17
1	Adur & Ouse	South East	Whole		No	Ouse and Adur Rivers Trust	£15,000
2	Aire and Calder	Humber	Whole		No	The Aire Rivers Trust	£15,000
3	Alt/Crossens	North West	Whole		No	Healthy Waterways Trust	£15,000
4	Arun & Western Streams	South East	Whole		No	Arun and Rother Rivers Trust	£15,000
5	Bristol Avon & North Somerset Streams	Severn	Whole		No	Bristol Avon Rivers Trust	£15,000
6	Broadland Rivers	Anglian	Whole		Yes	Norfolk Rivers Trust and Broads Authority	£15,000
7	Cam and Ely Ouse (including South Level)	Anglian	Whole		Yes	The Rivers Trust and Anglian Water	£15,000
8	Cherwell	Thames	Whole		No	Berkshire, Buckinghamshire and Oxfordshire Wildlife Trust	£15,000
9	Colne	Thames	Whole		Yes	Groundwork South and Chilterns Chalk Stream Project	£15,000

Catchment ID	Water Management Catchment	River Basin District	Sub / Whole Water Management Catchment	Sub Catchment Name	Joint Host	Organisation (s)	Hosting Money Awarded 16/17
10	Combined Essex	Anglian	Whole		No	Essex Wildlife Trust	£15,000
12	Cotswolds	Thames	Sub	Upper Thames	Yes	Farming Wildlife and Advisory Group South West and Countryside and Community Research Institute	7,500
12	Cotswolds	Thames	Sub	Evenlode (Oxfordshire)	No	Wild Oxfordshire	£7,500
12	Cotswolds	Thames	Sub	Windrush	No	Berkshire, Buckinghamshire and Oxfordshire Wildlife Trust	£7,500
13	Cuckmere & Pevensey Levels	South East	Whole		Yes	South East Rivers Trust and Sussex Wildlife Trust	£15,000
14	Darent	Thames	Whole		Yes	South East Rivers Trust and Kent Countryside Management Partnerships	£15,000
15	Derbyshire Derwent	Humber	Whole	Lower Derwent	No	Derbyshire Wildlife Trust	£15,000
16	Derwent (Humber)	Humber	Whole		Yes	East Yorkshire Rivers Trust and Yorkshire Wildlife Trust	£15,000
17	Derwent (NW)	North West	Whole		No	West Cumbria Rivers Trust	£15,000
18	Don and Rother	Humber	Whole		Yes	Don Catchment Rivers Trust and Environment Agency	£15,000
19	Dorset	South West	Whole		Yes	Dorset Wildlife Trust and Wessex Water	£15,000
20	Douglas	North West	Whole		No	Groundwork Cheshire, Lancashire and Merseyside	£15,000
21	Dove	Humber	Whole		No	The Trent Rivers Trust	£15,000

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22	East Devon	South West	Whole		Yes	Devon Wildlife Trust and Westcountry Rivers Trust	£15,000
23	East Hampshire	South East	Whole		No	Groundwork South Trust	£15,000
24	East Suffolk	Anglian	Whole		No	Essex and Suffolk Rivers Trust	£15,000
25	Eden and Esk	Solway Tweed	Whole		No	Eden Rivers Trust	£15,000
26	Esk and Coast	Humber	Whole		Yes	Yorkshire Esk Rivers Trust and North York Moors National Park Authority	£15,000
27	Hampshire Avon	South West	Whole		No	Wessex Chalk Stream and Rivers Trust	£15,000
28	Hull and East Riding	Humber	Whole		Yes	Yorkshire Wildlife Trust and East Yorkshire Rivers Trust	£15,000
28 + 37	Hull and East Riding / Louth Grimsby and Ancholme	Humber	Sub	Humber Estuary	No	Humber Nature Partnership	£7,500
29	Idle & Torne	Humber	Sub	Torne	No	Yorkshire Wildlife Trust	£7,500
29	Idle & Torne	Humber	Sub	Idle	No	Nottinghamshire Wildlife Trust	£7,500
30	Irwell	North West	Whole		No	Groundwork Manchester, Salford, Stockport, Tameside and Trafford	£15,000
31	Isle of Wight	South East	Whole		No	Island 2000 Trust	£15,000
32	Kennet and Pang	Thames	Sub	Kennet	No	Action for the River Kennet	£7,500

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33	Kent/Leven	North West	Whole		No	South Cumbria Rivers Trust	£15,000
34	Loddon	Thames	Whole		Yes	South East Rivers Trust and Hampshire and Isle of Wight Wildlife Trust	£15,000
35	London	Thames	Sub	Crane	No	Green Corridor	£7,500
35	London	Thames	Sub	Beverley Brook	No	South East Rivers Trust	£7,500
35	London	Thames	Sub	Hogsmill	No	South East Rivers Trust	£7,500
35	London	Thames	Sub	Wandle	No	South East Rivers Trust	£7,500
35	London	Thames	Sub	Brent	No	Thames21	£7,500
35	London	Thames	Sub	Marsh Dykes (Woolwich)	Yes	Thames21 and London Wildlife Trust	£7,500
35	London	Thames	Sub	Ravensbourne	No	Thames21	£7,500
35	London	Thames	Sub	Lower Lea North	Yes	Hertfordshire and Middlesex Wildlife Trust and Thames21	£3,750
35	London	Thames	Sub	Lower Lee South	No	Thames21	£3,750
37	Louth Grimsby and Ancholme	Humber	Sub	North Chalk Streams	No	Lincolnshire Chalk Streams Project	£7,500
38	Lower Trent & Erewash	Humber	Whole	Lower Trent	No	Trent Rivers Trust	£15,000

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39	Lune	North West	Whole		No	The Lune Rivers Trust	£15,000
40	Maidenhead to Sunbury (Lower Thames)	Thames	Whole	Lower Thames	No	Thames21	£15,000
41	Medway	Thames	Whole		Yes	South East Rivers Trust and Kent Countryside Management Partnerships	£15,000
42	Mersey Estuary	North West	Whole		No	Healthy Waterways Trust	£15,000
43	Middle Dee	Dee	Whole		Yes	Welsh Dee Trust	£15,000
44	Mole	Thames	Whole		Yes	Surrey Wildlife Trust and South East Rivers Trust	£15,000
45	Nene	Anglian	Whole		No	River Nene Regional Park Community Interest Company	£15,000
46	New Forest	South East	Whole		Yes	Freshwater Habitats Trust (previously Pond Conservation: the Water Habitats Trust) and New Forest National Park Authority	£15,000
47	North Cornwall, Seaton, Looe and Fowey	South West	Whole		No	Cornwall Wildlife Trust	£15,000
48	North Devon	South West	Whole		Yes	West Country Rivers Trust and Devon Wildlife Trust	£15,000
49	North Kent	Thames	Whole		Yes	South East Rivers Trust and Kent Countryside Management Partnerships	£15,000
50	North Norfolk	Anglian	Whole		No	Norfolk Rivers Trust	£15,000

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51	North West Norfolk	Anglian	Whole		No	Norfolk Rivers Trust	£15,000
53	Northumberland Rivers	Northumbria	Whole		No	Northumberland Rivers Trust	£15,000
55	Old Bedford including the Middle Level	Anglian	Whole		No	Cambridgeshire ACRE (Action with Communities in Rural England)	£15,000
56	Ribble	North West	Whole		No	Ribble Catchment Conservation Trust Ltd (Trading as Ribble Rivers Trust)	£15,000
57	Roding, Beam & Ingrebourne	Thames	Whole		Yes	Thames21 and Thames Chase Trust	£15,000
58	Rother	South East	Whole		Yes	Kent Wildlife Trust, Sussex Wildlife Trust and High Weald AONB Unit (Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty)	£15,000
59	Severn Uplands	Severn	Whole		Yes	Severn Rivers Trust and Montgomeryshire Wildlife Trust	£15,000
60	Severn Vale	Severn	Whole		Yes	Severn Rivers Trust and Gloucester Wildlife Trust	£15,000
61	Shropshire Middle Severn	Severn	Whole		Yes	Severn Rivers Trust and Shropshire Wildlife Trust	£15,000
62	Soar	Humber	Whole		No	The Trent Rivers Trust	£15,000
63	South & West Somerset	South West	Whole		No	Farming and Wildlife Advisory Group South West Ltd	£15,000
64	South Devon	South West	Whole		Yes	West Country Rivers Trust and South Devon AONB (Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty)	£15,000
66	South Essex	Thames	Whole		No	Thames Chase Trust	£15,000

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67	South West Lakes	North West	Sub X 2	Ehen and Calder + Irt, Mite, Esk & Annas	Yes	West Cumbria Rivers Trust and South Cumbria Rivers Trust	£10,000
67	South West Lakes	North West	Sub	Duddon Valley	Yes	South Cumbria Rivers Trust and West Cumbria Rivers Trust	£5,000
69	Staffordshire Trent Valley	Humber	Whole		No	Staffordshire Wildlife Trust	£15,000
70	Stour	South East	Whole		Yes	South East Rivers Trust and Kent Countryside Management Partnerships	£15,000
71	Swale, Ure, Nidd & Upper Ouse	Humber	Whole		No	Yorkshire Dales Rivers Trust	£15,000
72	Tamar	South West	Whole		No	West Country Rivers Trust	£15,000
74	Tees	Northumbria	Whole		No	The Tees Rivers Charitable Trust	£15,000
75	Teme	Severn	Whole		No	Severn Rivers Trust	£15,000
76	Test & Itchen	South East	Whole		Yes	Hampshire and Isle of Wight Wildlife Trust and Wessex Chalk Stream and Rivers Trust	£15,000
77	Thame and South Chilterns	Thames	Sub	Pang, Hughenden, Wye and Lower Middle Thames (South Chilterns)	No	Foundation for Water Research	£7,500
77	Thame and South Chilterns	Thames	Sub	River Thame	Yes	Freshwater Habitats Trust and River Thame Conservation Trust	£7,500

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78	Thames (Tidal)	Thames	Whole		Yes	Thames Estuary Partnership and Thames21	£15,000
79	Tidal Dee	Dee	Whole		No	Cheshire Wildlife Trust	£15,000
80	Till + Tweed	Solway Tweed	Whole		No	Tweed Forum	£15,000
81	Tyne	Northumbria	Whole		No	Tyne Rivers Trust	£15,000
83	Upper and Bedford Ouse	Anglian	whole	Ivel	No	Bedfordshire Rural Communities Charity	£15,000
84	Upper Lea	Thames	Sub	Urban Luton and Hoo lakes	Yes	Groundwork East Trust and Cranfield University	£7,500
84	Upper Lea	Thames	Sub	Upper Lea (Hertfordshire)	Yes	Herts and Middlesex Wildlife Trust and Groundwork Hertfordshire	£7,500
85	Upper Mersey	North West	Whole		No	Healthy Waterways Trust	£15,000
87	Vale of White Horse	Thames	Sub	Ock	No	Freshwater Habitats Trust	£7,500
88	Warwickshire Avon	Severn	Whole		Yes	Severn Rivers Trust and Warwickshire Wildlife Trust	£15,000
89	Waver Wampool	Solway Tweed	Whole		No	West Cumbria Rivers Trust	£15,000
90	Wear	Northumbria	Whole		No	Wear Rivers Trust	£15,000
91	Weaver Gowy	North West	Whole		No	Groundwork Cheshire, Lancashire and Merseyside	£15,000

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92	Welland	Anglian	Whole		No	Welland Rivers Trust	£15,000
93	West Cornwall and the Fal	South West	Whole		No	Cornwall Wildlife Trust	£15,000
94	Wey	Thames	Whole		No	Surrey Wildlife Trust, on behalf of the Wey Landscape Partnership	£15,000
95	Wharfe and Lower Ouse	Humber	Whole		No	Yorkshire Dales Rivers Trust	£15,000
96	Witham	Anglian	Whole		No	Lincolnshire Rivers Trust	£15,000
97	Worcestershire Middle Severn	Severn	Whole		Yes	Severn Rivers Trust and Worcestershire Wildlife Trust	£15,000
98	Wye	Severn	Whole		Yes	Wye and Usk Foundation and Natural Resource Wales	£15,000
99	Wyre	North West	Whole		No	The Wyre Rivers Trust	£15,000

Appendix 2 – National Support Group workstreams

Lead (single or joint)	Workstream	Grant
Rivers Trust	Integrated Management of the Action Plan	£40,000
Rivers Trust	Long-term Funding – investigating and testing new funding approaches	£7,000
Rivers Trust	Skills and Capacity Building to access funding and undertake business planning	£11,000
Rivers Trust	Improving Access to Data and Predictive Models	£41,000
Rivers Trust / Westcountry Rivers Trust	Evaluation of Partnerships and Capturing of Benefits	£26,000
Rivers Trust	Improving Technical Skills and Capacity Building	£68,000
Rivers Trust / Shropshire Wildlife Trust	External Communications	£37,000
Rivers Trust / Shropshire Wildlife Trust	Improve two-way Communications	£9,000
Rivers Trust	Re-think and re-energise River Basin District Liaison Panels	£6,000
Rivers Trust	Regional Hubs	£5,000
Rivers Trust	Administration	£18,000
	Total	£268,000