

## A Thriving Living Landscape



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Heathlands Reunited Stage 2 General Project Overview	⊖	On Time	On Budget	30000	150000		01 Jun 2016		Colin Carre	The Project Manager for the project has changed during this period and the team has been focusing on planning for next year. A number of volunteers have been engaged and trained and are now actively collecting oral history. The artist has been engaged to deliver the heathlands trail heritage art which will link a number of sites. The trail will build on the volunteer heritage work and further community engagements in the New Year.

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Rampion Stage 2-overall progress	Q3 17/18	Source of funding: Rampion offshore wind (ROW)						01 Sep 2015		Colin Carre	Due to weather condition and technical problems the contractors experience in 2017 the reinstatement of the cable route was not achieved as planned. The work has now been reschedule to be completed by the end of Aug 2018. This is a significant extension to the work and the authority's monitorin commitment and costs. As a consequence the authority has applied for an increase in the Section 106 funding to cove the additional monitoring caused by the delays.
Cultural Heritage Mapping						15000		26 Jan 2018		Nicola Peacock	
Cluster Development & Implementation	Q3 17/18	⊖	On Time	On Budget	5000	5000	26000	01 Oct 2015		Nigel James	All six Farm Cluster Groups across the National Park, continue to meet up (individually) on a regular basis, with SDNPA representation on each of them.  The Rother Valley Farm Cluster has been successful in it's application for Facilitation Funding from Natural England.  Joint training events facilitated by the SDNPA have also been carried out for the Winchester Downs and Selborne Farm Cluster Groups. In addition the SDNPA is now leading on the development, co-ordination and chairing of a Facilitators' Group. This group comprises of all farm cluster facilitators within the National Park and a number beyond, stretching fro Wiltshire to Kent and up to Surrey (covering approx. 12 farm clusters). The aim of the group is to share / discuss areas of learning and options for wider joint training (e.g. use of social media to promote the work of the Farm Clusters). It is through this group that any pilots developed within the National Park f a new agri-environment scheme (post the UK's withdrawal fro the EU) could be discussed to asses their applicability for other landscapes areas in southern England.
Truleigh Hill Habitat &	Q3 17/18	⊕	On Time	On Budget	0	29000	49000	24 Aug		Phillippa Morrison-	Some delays to this project due various factors (staff turnover, office moves, planning permission delays). However, all on

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Arun & Western Streams Catchment Project Officer	Q3 17/18	⊖	On Time	On Budget	5000	5000	25000	01 Aug 2017		Jeremy Burgess	<p>Project officer now in post and developing programme.</p> <p>The post holder will be contracted for a year as ARRT project officer with the proviso that the officer brings in enough project work and funding to sustain the role over consecutive years. This is a model that has worked well on the Adur and Ouse Catchment.</p> <p>The Water and Chalk Board agreed that we should contribute £5k towards this key post on the basis that;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Funding is for 1 year only</li> <li>• The post becomes self-sustaining after this one year period.</li> </ul> <p>It is proposed that the £4k carried over for the Chalk streams survey work is re commissioned for our contribution for this post, the additional £1k will come from existing budget held by the Landscape and Biodiversity Lead for water.</p>
Brighton CHAMP - general project overview	Q3 17/18	⊖	On Time	On Budget	166750	100000	438966	01 Jul 2015		Jeremy Burgess	<p>Project work on track and phase 1 now extended until March 2020.</p> <p>Two cover crop trials are underway, looking at different seed mixes that can take up nitrates during the winter months, preventing leaching into the groundwater and retaining the nitrogen for future crops. Monitoring of these trials is being undertaken in association with the University of Brighton.</p> <p>A farmer event was held in November with 30 farmers attending to find out more about the trials. A discussion event was also held with farmers to seek feedback on other interventions and what would work for them, this is part of the development of a wider offer of interventions to be rolled out in 2018.</p> <p>On the urban side discussions have begun with the Highways agency to replace a soakaway system from the A27 with a rain garden which will reduce potential contamination of groundwater.</p>
Broadband Rural Pilot Coast 2 Capital LEP - general project overview	Q3 17/18	⊖	Behind	Under Budget	5000	5000	5000	01 Jan 2015	31 Dec 2017	Stephen Finlay	<p>Up to date information on the current status of this project and the outcomes achieved has been requested directly from Coast to Capital LEP.</p>
Sediment and Mitigation actions for River Rother- Overview	Q3 17/18	⊖		Budget	31403	31403	60037	01 Nov 2013		Jeremy Burgess	<p>Project findings presented, awaiting final report. This is now overdue and a SDNPA officer is 'chasing.'</p>

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Channel Payments for Ecosystem Processes	Q3 17/18	🟢	On Time	SDNPA contribution officer time only.				01 Aug 2017		Jeremy Burgess	<p>Project kick off meeting held in December 2017.</p> <p>This is a cross channel project under Interreg V a programme. The project aims to address the challenges of implementing Payments for Ecosystem services in relation to water quality issues and run 4 pilots including groundwater (Sussex/Hants). One of the key outputs will be a suit of tried and tested techniques that can be applied elsewhere.</p> <p>SDNPA contribution officer time ONLY.</p>
Stanmer Park People and Places Stage 2 - project overview	Q3 17/18	🟡	Behind	On Budget	0	50000		01 Apr 2017		Vicky Lawrence	<p>Project significantly delayed due to revised walled garden design proposals being developed by Plumpton and associated costs. BHCC are undergoing a procurement process for a contractor. BHCC held update meeting with HLF December 2017</p>
Watercress and Winterbournes HLF project	Q3 17/18	🟢	On Time	On Budget	0	12000	392927	01 Jun 2017		Jeremy Burgess	<p>Stage 1 approval from HLF received and the first meeting of the partnership to start the development stage was held in Dec. 2017. The development phase will run to March 2020. The lead partner is Hampshire and Isle of Wight wildlife Trust who will oversee the project and ensure that all reporting to HLF is completed.</p> <p>The Watercress and Winterbournes LP focuses on the headwaters of two of the UK's most iconic chalk rivers, the Test and the Itchen - a landscape of distinctive wetland habitats, supporting a rich diversity of wildlife, as well as heritage industries, villages and their communities.</p> <p>This landscape is at risk: land management practices, our dependence on natural resources, the deterioration of the built heritage and a lack of joined-up action all threaten the character and quality of this headwaters landscape.</p> <p>The partnership will take action to sustain this landscape for the benefit and enjoyment of future generations. Communities will develop the skills and expertise to be able to take the long-term lead in delivering their local catchment improvements.</p> <p>The project has 4 programmes.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Action for headwaters, a community catchment approach.</li> <li>2. Celebrating our headwater heritage.</li> <li>3. Healthy headwaters.</li> <li>4. Rediscovering skills.</li> </ol>

## People Connected to Places



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Active Access - project overview	Q3 17/18	⚠	Behind	On Budget	0	54999	930000	01 Aug 2016		Allison Thorpe	<p>Working with partners in East Sussex, we are developing a programme of activities to commence in Q1 2018/19 in line with the Active Access for Growth Programme deliverables. The whole programme is slightly behind schedule due to a late start by the Lead Partner; delay assessed to have minimal impact.</p> <p>This project will focus on increasing levels of cycling and walking in and around the National Parks and meet the following Access Fund objectives:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Support the local economy by supporting access to new and existing employment, education and training.</li> <li>2. Actively promote increased levels of physical activity through walking and cycling.</li> </ol> <p>Our initiatives will also seek to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* Reduce emissions. ☐</li> <li>* Reduce visitor car use. ☐</li> <li>* Encourage increased use of public transport.</li> <li>* Increase the visitor economy, supporting growth and employment.</li> </ul>

## Towards a Sustainable Future



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Local Plan Sustainability Appraisal-Overview	Dec 17	⊖	On Time	Under Budget	18358	25747	25474	01 Jan 2014		Sarah Nelson	The SA is progressing in line with the timetable for the Local Plan. The next stage is to consider the representations received as part of the Pre-Submission consultation on the local plan and decide whether any amendments are needed to the assessment.  Amber rating due to significant underspend, however project activity is progressing as planned.
Green Infrastructure Framework	Q3 17/18	⊖	Behind	Under Budget	9375	11375	11375	01 Jul 2014		Veronica Craddock	Some key partner organisations needing direction from their senior/councillor level as to the way forward. Natural England are very supportive and have offered to help with promoting the benefits to partner authorities in following the approach set out in the Framework. The final draft is on hold pending reorientation of the project.
Affordable Housing	Q3 17/18	⊕	On Time	On Budget	0	100000	100000	31 Dec 2016		Mark Alden	Work on this project has intensified this quarter. We have now appointed Professor Peter Roberts OBE to the Affordable Housing (AH) peer reviewer role. With his support the Draft AH Strategy Paper has been produced. This draft was discussed at the first meeting of the newly reformed Affordable Housing Task and Finish Group which met on Wed 17th Jan. The meeting picked up from the work of the last Member group on this subject, focusing its recommendations and producing a clear work programme. It concluded that, rather than creating a new housing vehicle or enabling service, the best approach will be to focus our limited staff resources and S106 cash on supporting rural exception sites and Community Land Trusts.  The next step is for Mike to produce a model of how a programme of support for such sites across the National Park might operate. We will then take this to Homes England and potential institutional investors to identify whether it is possible to attract matching funding.

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Discover England	Q3 17/18	-	On Time	On Budget	0	22400	1464100	01 Sep 2017		Jo Williams	<p>Oct. 2017 there was a public announcement of the new, exciting two year Discover England project 'Make Great Memories.'</p> <p>The bid was won by England's National Parks to develop and promote world class National Park experiences that can be booked through the travel trade, with a focus on the Australian and German outbound markets. These two markets make up around 30% of all England's National Park international visitors and both show growth potential. Importantly, both markets have great potential to add value to the visitor economy through their longer stays and higher spend.</p> <p>The recruitment process of the programme management team and the procurement of essential services are both well underway.</p> <p>Other key areas of the project over the next 19 months include research, brand development, product development, business engagement and support services, travel trade engagement and customer facing marketing campaigns.</p> <p>Stephen Finlay, who had a lead role in securing the bid, is working on recruitment for the project management team and Jo Williams is currently leading on travel trade engagement.</p>
Ghost action 1											



## Funding Summary

### Strategic fund

#### OMT approvals:

1. Q1 - Winterbourne and Watercress, OMT approved **£12,000**.
2. Q1 - Big Chalk, OMT approved repurposing of funds (**£10,000**) previously awarded to now provide external support to develop NERC bid for submission in Sept. 2017.
3. Q2 - Chalk Streams mapping, OMT approved the repurposing of funds (**£4,000**) previously awarded to now contribute towards the costs of a new Arun and Western Streams Catchment area project officer post.
4. Q3 - CHaMP project officer extended for 2018 - additional **£25,000** agreed.
5. Q3 - Active Access - SDNP to partially fund walking & cycling officer for a further 2 years for the purpose of this project - additional **£24,258** approved in total.

**Summary:** 3 new applications, total £61,258 allocated; 2 repurposing, total £14,000 (only £4,000 spent).

#### Notes:

- Secrets of the High Woods approx. £11,491 underspend from SDNPA contribution to be re-allocated back to SF.
- NERC bid unsuccessful. £10,000 application fund not spent & can return to SF pot (see point 2 above).
- Big Chalk ringfenced allocation (£150,000) can return to SF pot as consequence of unsuccessful NERC bid.