

20 YEARS OF THE RRC

Since its formation the RRC has been the UK focus for developments in best practice river restoration and catchment management. River restoration has become a commonly used and understood term, so the emphasis of the RRC is now less on explaining the concept and more about providing independent targeted advice and support for its implementation, both strategic and practical. Now, entering its third decade, the three core focus areas of the RRC are:

- Information gathering and collation of evidence;
- Technical expertise and evaluation of implementation and cost effectiveness;
- Building capacity through training, publishing guidance and running river restoration network events.

[Read more >>](#)



2015 UK RIVER PRIZE

The Nigel Holmes Award for the UK River Prize will be awarded at the 16th RRC Annual Network Conference later this year. The 2015 UK River Prize will build upon last year and form a collaboration between England, Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland to contribute and celebrate best practice across the UK.

The winners will be presented with £10,000 and the Nigel Holmes Trophy in recognition of his lifelong contribution to river restoration.

Applications are now open until the 2nd of March [>>](#)



We would like to thank **Cranfield UNIVERSITY** and the Centre's core funders for their continued support



If you have a question or feedback for RRC, or you would like to add or remove your name from our mailing list, [email](#) or call us 01234 752979.

RIVER WENSUM PRIZE MONEY

The River Wensum Restoration Strategy appears to have grasped the spirit of the River Prize by spending its prize money in a way that will benefit the area surrounding the Wensum for many years to come.

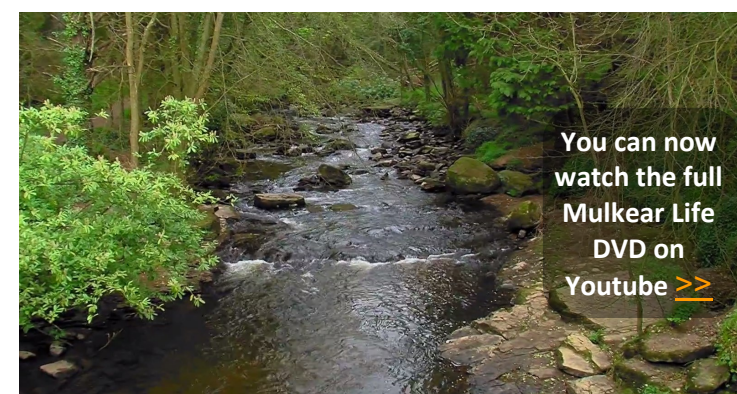


[Learn more about the Wensum >>](#)

The £10,000 prize fund is being spent on:

- Developing relationships with universities and research institutes to build an evidence base for restoration
- Providing interpretation boards at key public access sites to highlight the conservation value of the river.
- Running a river restoration competition for communities along the Wensum.

MULKEAR LIFE ARTICLE & VIDEO



You can now
watch the full
Mulkear Life
DVD on
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MulkearLIFE is a five-year partnership based project working on the restoration of the Mulkear River catchment, which forms part of the Lower Shannon Special Area of Conservation (SAC). It is one of the most important integrated catchment management projects in Ireland and a flagship EU co-funded LIFE Nature project with a €1.75 million budget. [Read more >>](#)

SCOTLAND'S WEF PROGRESS

The Water Environment Fund (WEF) provides funding to help projects restore Scotland's catchments. The fund is run by the Scottish Environment Protection Agency (SEPA) and aims to restore catchments where historical activities have left them damaged [>>](#)

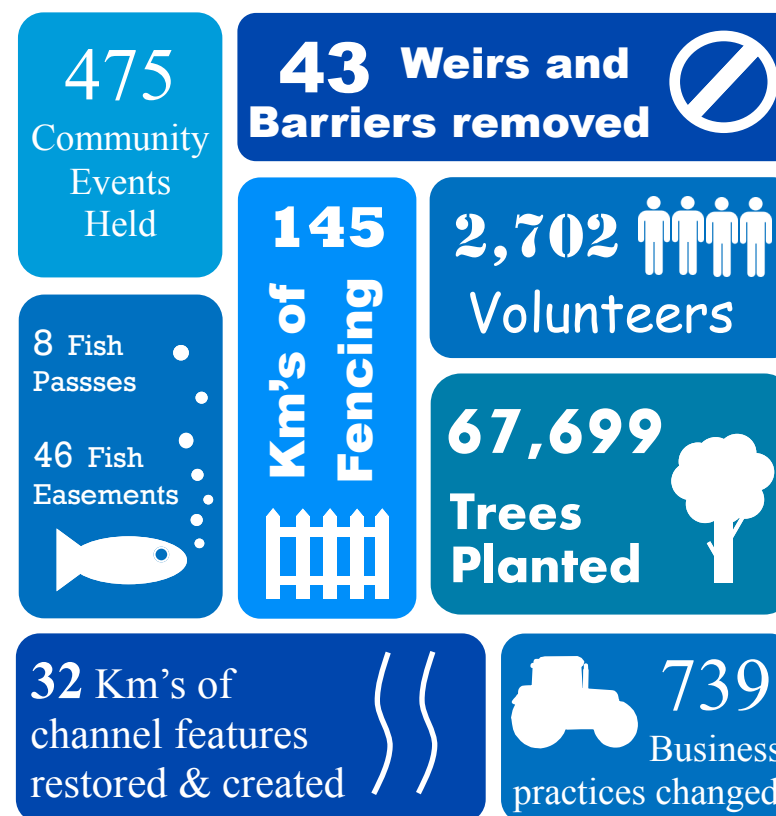
SURVEY TO SUPPORT RRC CONFERENCE WORKSHOP

At this year's conference the results from an online survey will be used in the "How to Best Assess Morphology and Physical Change" Workshop ([Programme](#)).

This survey is [open to anyone](#) and we would appreciate it if you can spend a few minutes of your time to complete it [>>](#)

CATCHMENT RESTORATION FUND

In 2012, 42 river, lake and catchment restoration projects received a combined fund of £24.5m from the Catchment Restoration Fund. These projects are now coming to an end and we are getting an idea of what they have achieved. - [Read the report >>](#)



Conference



Early Bird bookings close
February 16th
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RRC Conference Keynote
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Good to know

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REFORM
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"Pioneering work"
started on the River
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First RRC Blog Post:
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integrator?
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RiverWiki project
of the month:
Adams Mill
enhancements



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