

### RESTORING OUR WATERWAYS

#### Special issue magazine

The River Restoration Centre (and Environment Agency on behalf of the LIFE+ RESTORE project) contributed an article to this month's **Managing Water and its environment** magazine.

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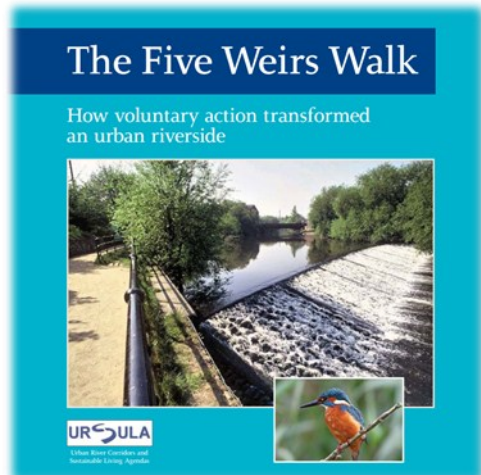


### THE FIVE WEIRS WALK - HOW VOLUNTARY ACTION TRANSFORMED AN URBAN RIVERSIDE IN SHEFFIELD

Produced by the Urban River Corridors & Sustainable Living Agendas Project (URSULA) in collaboration with the Five Weirs Walk Trust, a **free booklet** provides a history of the Five Weirs Walk in Sheffield.

The publication outlines the transformation that has been made over the period of over twenty years to regenerate an urban river corridor. This reflects on the experiences of those involved in the process, in the hope of inspiring other groups engaged in voluntary action for rivers and regeneration.

The project was led by the University of Sheffield.



### SIMON WHITTON JOINS RRC

Simon Whitton has been appointed River Restoration Advisor for the River Nene Nature Improvement Area (NIA). He will be working to improve the ecological status of the River Nene and enhance its ecosystem service provision. Simon will be based at the River Nene Regional Park offices and will be working closely with the Bedfordshire, Cambridgeshire and Northamptonshire Wildlife Trusts, Northamptonshire County Council and the Environment Agency.

Click here to download the latest **River Nene Regional Park Newsletter, Issue 2**.

### RESTORE WORKSHOP: IMPROVING MORPHOLOGY AND FISH PASSAGE IN HIGH ENERGY RIVERS

A RESTORE workshop focusing on high energy rivers was held on the 25th September in Birnam, Scotland with visits to a number of nearby sites on the 26th including the River Tummel, pictured.

The aim of the workshop was to discuss current thinking about best practice fish passage; the impact of barriers to sediment, fish and flow; and how to improve morphology. The key findings will be reported in a workshop report and the RRC would like to thank everyone who attended or contributed to either day.



River Tummel © RRC

**Next RESTORE event - 11th to 12th October 2012, France**

**Excursion in the Sèvre Nantaise basin** hosted by RRC and the Institution Interdépartementale du Bassin de la Sèvre Nantaise. Attendance for the two day visit and transport between the sites is **free**. All other costs will need to be covered by each attendee. Places are limited on a first come first served basis. Please complete and return a **booking form** as soon as possible.

The River Restoration Centre is the West Region lead organisation for the **EU LIFE+ RESTORE Information and Communication project** (2010-2013) which encourages the communication of sustainable river restoration best practice across Europe.



### MEET THE STAFF: EMMA TURNER



Following five years working on Regional Development Agency activities as a Business Co-ordinator and Accounts Technician I took 12 months out before joining the RRC in April. I joined just in time for the annual conference, so I would like to say a huge thank you to those delegates that made it so enjoyable.

I was brought in as Accounts Technician to replace Jo Evason as she moved on to new adventures and so I now spend my working life carrying out all the bookkeeping and management accounting functions. However when I'm not balancing the books for the RRC I'm balancing my other life as a mum and dance/fitness instructor.

### LATEST RIVER ANNOUNCEMENTS AND EVENTS INCLUDING:

[The Catchment based approach conference, 17th October, Leeds](#)

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