

CaBA annual events and urban workshops – a story of three catchment based approach annual events and two urban workshops

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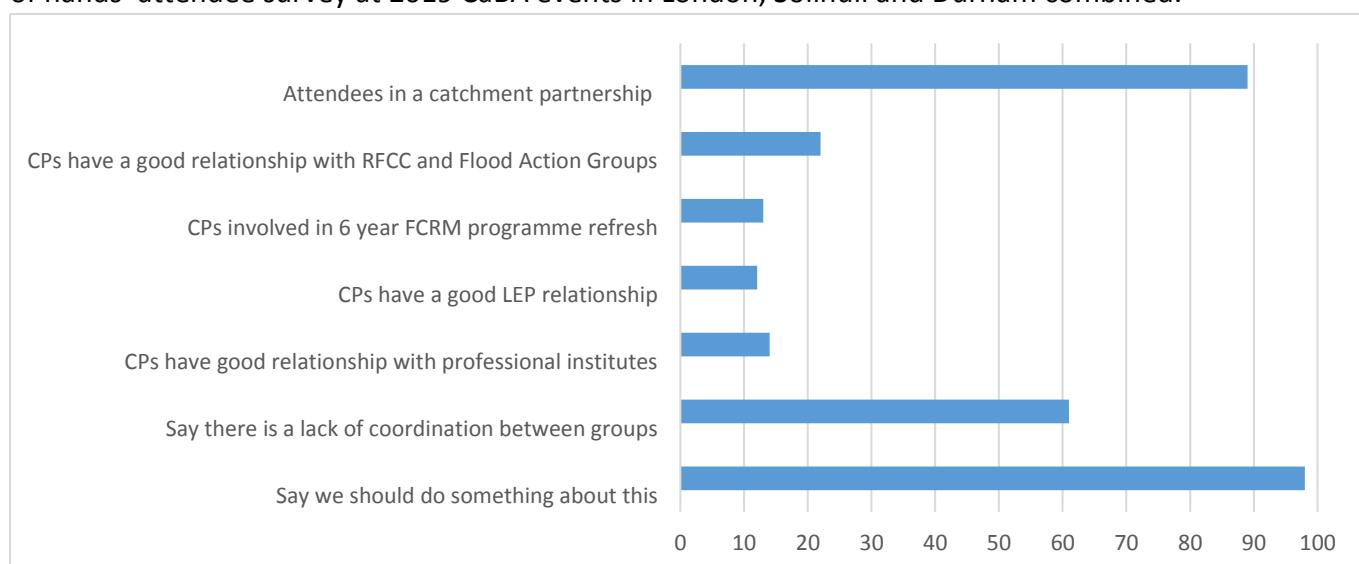
Photo 1. View of Durham, the final location of our tour

This note shares photos of 5 fantastic workshops, key points and highlights 2019/20 opportunities for action including future events. A huge thank you to those who gave their time organising and funding some excellent days. Click [here](#) to see future CaBA sponsored Integrated Catchment Delivery events programme – we welcome your involvement.

- Over 230 people attended 5 workshops in London on 28 January, Solihull 4 February, Kettering 17 January and Durham 14 and 15 February.
- Shared Health and Safety training - CaBA's Dave Johnson is working with catchment partnerships with the Environment Agency – get in touch, this includes CDM training in March 2019 david@theriverstrust.org
- **[CaBA data package](#)** Michelle Walker and CaBA NSG shared great progress made. Take a look at the excellent mapped resources.
- 14% of England's waters are at good ecological status, down 5% since 2015. We are not going to achieve 75% or 100% by 2027 so what can we do?
- **2019 is the Year of Green Action and we want to make an exceptional collective offer.** Among the ways you can do this, Dom Martyn is offering to bid for more resources and funds and put in an offer to the BBC to film a series of your local events.
- We discussed improving frameworks for local, inclusive and prosperous action to leave our environment in a better state in a generation. Great opportunities include:
 - Working with businesses, landowners and communities to understand natural capital risk and opportunity and partnerships for action. To stand a good chance, Catchment Partnerships have an easily accessible web based catchment plan with a clear vision, unique selling point and priorities.

- With businesses, it pays to make a credible business offer aligning to existing initiatives, building on best practice, know how supply chains interact in your catchment and demonstrate the benefits of collective action
- Local Infrastructure Strategies, catchment infrastructure plans and UK Shared Prosperity Fund
- Spatial planning and sustainable development – doing ‘net gain’ in practice
- Drainage and Wastewater Management Plans and Water Industry Environment Programme
- Better ways of working and choices via River Basin Management Plans and Flood Risk Management Plans
- 6 year Environment Agency Flood and Coastal Risk Management Programme and Environment Programme refresh
- An estimated, 5% of the current Thames 6 year flood and coastal risk management programme features natural flood management – a significant opportunity exists for catchment partnerships to work with others to influence the next 2021 to 2027 programme. Ask to help in 2019 and seek out an event.
- Over 70 ICD events are being co-designed to meet emerging needs to improve inclusive partnerships and capitalise on strategic opportunities. The Catchment Partnership strategic engagement opportunity is highlighted in Graph 1 below.

Graph 1. Engagement benchmark - total % of catchment partnerships engaging with RFCCs, Flood Groups, Local Enterprise Partnerships and professional institutes. Taken from a ‘show of hands’ attendee survey at 2019 CaBA events in London, Solihull and Durham combined.



Context – information from CaBA reporting: **52% CPs** engaging with agriculture and land management, **60% CPs** have strong relationships with water companies, **100% CPs** engage with water companies

Photos



Above: 14 Feb CaBA Annual Durham, below: 15 Feb CaBA Urban workshop



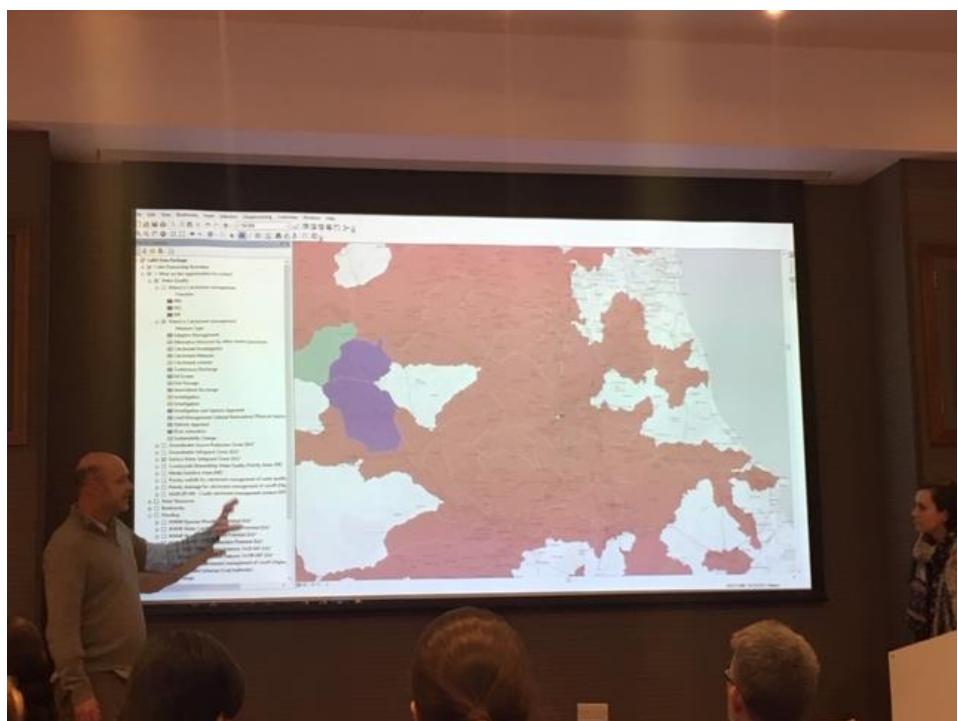
Below: 4 Feb CaBA Annual Solihull and Agriculture Sub Group Chair Bob Middleton



Below: CaBA and river basin planning
 Damian Crilly Environment Agency, Alex Adams talks water stewardship and working with business, Nick Paling West Country Rivers Trust discusses CaBA benefits reporting



Below: CaBA data package Dave Johnson, Anneka France Rivers Trust



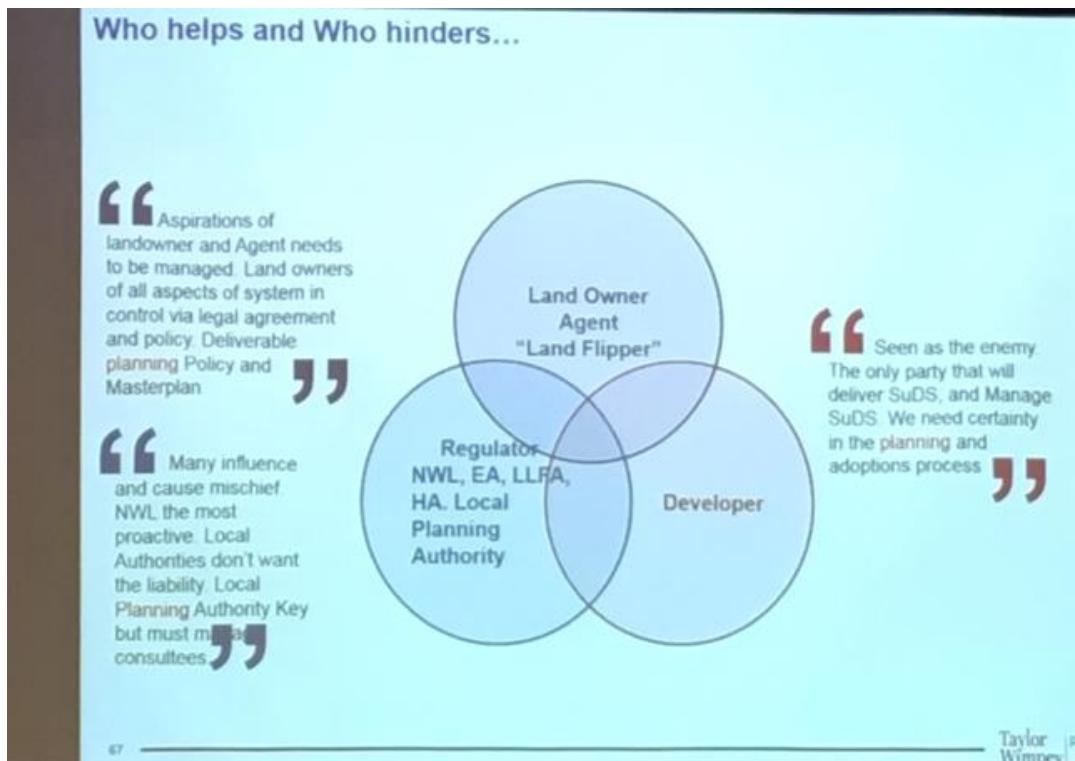
Below: 15 Feb Durham Sustainable Urban Water Management workshop organising group: Graeme Hull EA Tees Catchment Coordinator, Rob Carr EA Tyne Catchment Coordinator, Clare Deasy Northumbrian Water Catchment Approach Coordinator, George Gerring Water Hub/EA and Ben Lamb Tees Catchment Partnership/Tees Rivers Trust



Below: 15 Feb suggestions from a developer on SUDs

Suggestions from a Developer

1. Local Authorities take a corporate view on adoption. If you won't adopt without a commuted sum don't ask for in designs.
2. Control Land owners and Land Flippers. Deliverable Masterplan and Planning Permission.
3. Planners need to challenge and make reasonable planning judgement.
4. Consistent approach on LA developments.
5. Clear policy position. Consultees challenged will they stand up at PI if only reason for refusal.
6. Resources within regulators, numbers and skills.



Above, below: Gateshead Council advising on embedding Blue Green Infrastructure, 80+ attendees, lunch time Marketplace stalls, roundtable discussion sessions engaged and involved everyone throughout

