



Nene Welland and Witham Consultative Association

Agenda

Nene Welland and Witham Angling Consultative - 9th October at Nene House Kettering

10.00 Welcome/Introductions	David
10.05 Minutes/Actions from meeting held on 6th July.	David
10.10. Angling Trust update	Kelvin
10.20. Nenescape update.	Kelvin
10.35. Overview of 2018 EA Nene Fisheries Surveys.	Jake Reeds
11.15. Coffee	
11.30. Progress with cormorant counts.	John
11.40. EA Catchment update and Enforcement report.	Hugh
12.05. Nene and Welland project reports	Vik/Chris
12.20. Stillwater update	John and Seumas
12.30. Club updates / issues	All
12.45 Forward Look	All
12.50. AOB	All

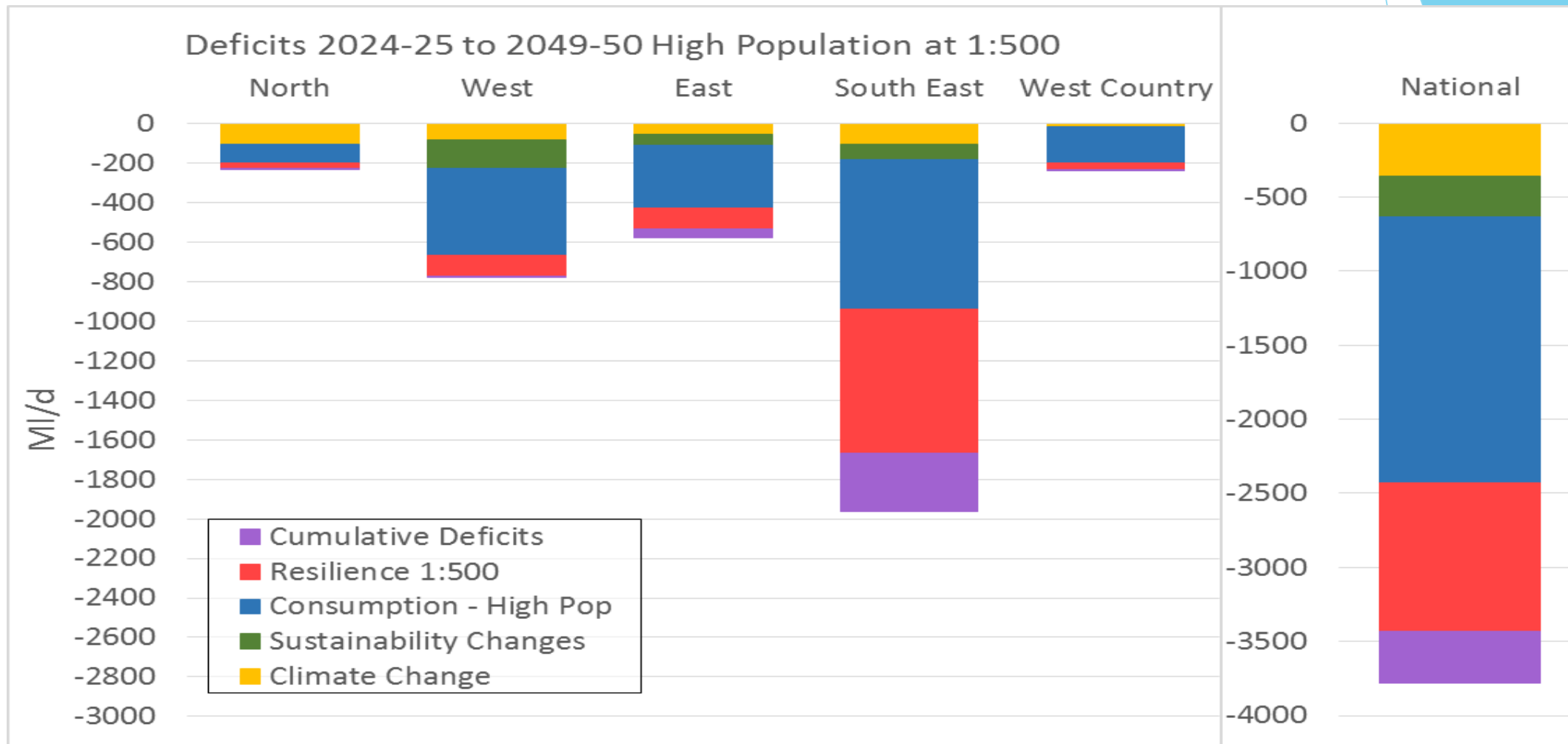
With the increasing risk of drought and the surge in demand for food, energy, and services that is likely in the future there is a real risk that a lack of water could limit growth and development.

The WRE region (which covers 31,000 square kilometres from the Humber in the North to Basildon in the South and Northampton in the West to the Eastern coast) is predicted to face a gap between supply and demand of 750 mega litres a day (ML/d).

If it carries on managing water resources in the same way - the equivalent of 40 Olympic sized swimming pools daily.



Deficits by 2050 under a high population and 1 in 500 drought resilience scenario nationally and regionally



AT Joined as member

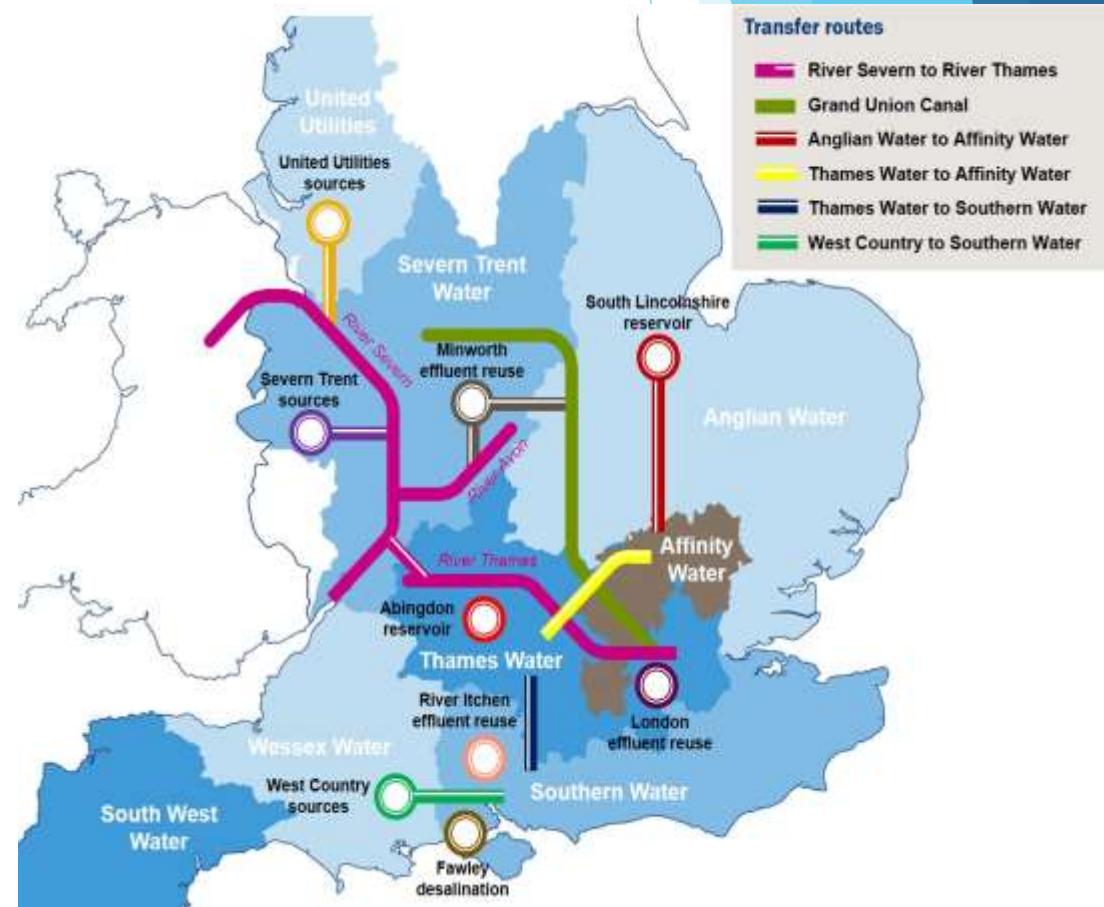
Now one of 6 regional organisations taking a strategic view on UK Water Infrastructures

Member led

New cross regulatory group - RAPID Regional Plans by Spring 2022

Realisation that new infrastructure is needed to maintain the status quo

New Reservoirs in Lincs linking the Trent and Witham



Defra has launched a public consultation on the review of the general licence.

Closes 5 December 2019.

It strikes us as strange and illogical, that birds who pose a severe threat to fish populations are afforded high levels of protection, while fish are not.



The Angling Trust will be arguing strongly that as part of the review, as well as removing birds, there has to be scope to add others.

River Wensum

Hosted a stakeholder event 9th Oct

33 stakeholders attended



Prof David Harper (Chair of Welland Rivers Trust)
to lead an Invertebrate task group

Big push on Diffused Pollution

Formation of a Sub Catchment Partnership going forwards

Hoveton Great Broad Bio-manipulation





Nenescape HLF Project
5 yr Program Oct- 2017 – Oct-2022
16 Partnership Projects
Total £4.5m HLF Grant of £2.6m



<https://nenescape.org/>

Nenescape Building Bridges Project
3 yr Program Oct- 2017 – Oct-2020

Total £278k HLF Grant of £125k

Four Component Programs
Education
Coaching / Competition
Club Support
VBS Support

Nenescape Building Bridges Project
3rd year Oct- 2019 – Oct-2020

Total @ £90k HLF Grant of @ £42k

Four Component Programs
Education
Coaching / Competition
Club Support
VBS Support

Focus on Polish Saturday Schools across the Nene Valley

Led by Dusan Kovacic

Launch Event

- Attend school and discuss with staff.
- Handout pack and competition entry
- Images of the Nene Valley competition

Presentation Event

- After assessment
- Award prizes to all entries
- Introduce angling and program to pupils
- Introduce basic angling rules and the rights of fish
- Launch coaching event and registration



Outcomes

- Secure the future integration of angling communities
- Educate European anglers and communities
- Create a framework for integration of angling communities
- Educate 4 schools per year for 3 years
- Create a framework for competitions between Schools and Clubs
- Provide coaches with opportunities and impart life skills with others
- To date over 700 polish families and pupils attended

The Coaching Program Overview

Focus on the delivery of Angling Coaching across the Nene Valley

Led by a partnership with the Canal and Rivers Trust

20 events per year

- Coordinate local coaches and volunteers
- Integrate into local club structures
- Integrate from Polish school program
- Assessment and reward
- Introduce angling and program to pupils
- Introduce basic angling rules and the rights of fish
- Integrate into the wider Lets Fish and AT/EA participation objectives

Outcomes

- Introduce more young people into angling
- Secure the future integration of angling communities
- Educate European anglers and communities
- Create a framework for integration of angling communities
- Create a framework for competitions with Schools and Clubs
- Provide coaches with opportunities and impart life skills with others
- Volunteer man hours engaged in coaching
- To date almost 1800 family members have attended these



The Club Program Overview

Focus on the support and sustainment of Angling Clubs across the Nene Valley

Led by David Beecroft

Attendance of Club Meetings

Introduce FESS principles Building Bridges and VBS

Introduce the historic context of angling history in the Nene Valley

Report Club needs and issues from last visit and survey

What you told us last year

- Bye-Laws
- Riparian Rights
- Willingness to Integrate
- Supporting – Juniors
- Working Together – Clubmate
- VBS Engagement
- Feedback on Signage
- Nenescape Volunteering
- Cormorant Predation
- Additional Support

Outcomes

- Install best practice within angling clubs across the Nene Valley
- Provision of multi language signage to protect fisheries from crime
- Educate anglers and communities
- Create a framework for integration of angling communities
- Create a sustain framework for angling community integration
- Provision of a coaching and competition framework
- Resolving fisheries crime
- Capture the historic context of angling history in the Nene Valley
- To date 79 club officers across 15 clubs have been visited and surveyed
- Still some considerable challenges remain to overcome



The VBS Program Overview

Focus on the support and sustainment of the VBS the Nene Valley

Led by David Beecroft

Attendance of Club Meetings

Introduce FESS principles Building Bridges

Manage the development and support of Volunteer Bailiffs

Ensure optimum Angling Rules and Bye-Laws

Operation Traverse



Outcomes

- Volunteer man hours and patrol numbers across the Nene Valley
- Case study on success and issues impacting the future
- Provision of multi language signage to protect fisheries from crime
- Educate anglers and communities
- Create a sustain framework for angling community integration
- Resolving fisheries crime and peoples perceptions
- To date some 2400 hrs of voluntary effort has been recorded



Nenescape:

**Evaluation Action Plan
AT Building Bridges**

Outcome 1 Better awareness of English angling rules amongst migrant communities
Outcome 2 Improved relationships and understanding between English and migrant anglers

EVALUATION METHOD	WHEN	QUESTIONS / OUTCOMES	STAKEHOLDERS	RESOURCES	STATUS
Survey (Education)	On each specific school launch event (Annually)	See spreadsheet template	Polish Schools	FESS Officer	Green
Survey (Clubs)	On each specific club support meeting (Annually)	See spreadsheet template	Angling Clubs Fisheries	FESS Officer	Green
Survey (Anglers)	Scheduled for 2021	Use structured survey as implemented in 2016/17 development phase and 15,000 rod licence holders	Rod Licence holders within the Nene Valley	EA Rod Licence Data Substance for Survey	Blue
Activity Recording	On each school event	Recording activities and participation volumes	Polish Schools	Level II Coach FESS Officer	Green
Activity Recording	On each visit to angling club/fishery	Recording activities and participation volumes	Angling Clubs/Fishery	FESS Officer	Green
Case Study	Target 4 per year	Capture individual history and evidence of relationships with migrant communities	English anglers with a strong presence on social media	FESS Officer	Yellow
Case Study	Target 4 per year	Capture individual history and evidence of relationships with migrant communities	Volunteer Bailiffs within the Nene Valley	FESS Officer	Yellow
Focus Group	Quarterly	Review progress and outcomes with local angling consultative group	Angling Clubs/Fisheries	Project Officer / FESS Officer	Green

What's your feedback?