

# WETLAND CREATION GRANT SCHEME

Working with you to restore our precious rivers

## An Evenlode Catchment Partnership Project

Freshwater habitats are important, and we decided that creating a grant scheme for wetland creation would provide an impetus to create new pond habitats.



“I wish I had done this years ago, look at the swallows skimming the water.”

### Why it's important



In the last 100 years 90% of freshwater areas have been lost in the UK. Wetlands and ponds provide unique habitats for both flora and fauna. Ponds support more invertebrate species than rivers and have even been found to have a greater number of rare animals.

The ECP directly funded landowners to construct new ponds. We also created a handbook to describe how to use the scheme and create a wetland on your land.



### Project highlights



**585m**  
watercourse  
reconnected  
to floodplain



**1**  
wetland  
created



**17**  
ponds  
created

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Evenlode Catchment  
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# THE EVENLODE CATCHMENT PARTNERSHIP

## Funding urgently needed

Since 2014, the Evenlode Catchment Partnership (ECP) has been dedicated to improving water quality and flood management, enriching biodiversity, fostering greater community engagement with our rivers and increasing climate resilience across the Evenlode catchment area.



**“Our rivers deserve to be saved”**  
Chloe, age 12

## Why it's important



Much of our incredible work has been funded by Thames Water. However, Thames Water have failed to deliver the promised upgrades to their sewage treatment works. Due to the serious harm from sewage pollution to our rivers and wider catchment, we have made the moral decision to not accept any more funding from them beyond March 2025.

The ECP now desperately needs your support. We have made great strides, but we need your help to continue. By donating, fundraising or volunteering, you can help us restore and protect our precious river environment for generations to come. Join us in saving our water habitats.



## Donate today

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