

Publication Data – required under the Defra Grant Agreement

One of the obligations of the Grant Agreement is to publish annually the defined Publication Data which is set out in the table below.

The Network Stewardship Score is a combined measure of functionality of and the public benefit delivered by the waterway network. It is calculated annually based on a range of indicators. All Principal Waterway Assets are measured and categorised according to condition. A structure in condition A is in a good state of repair and one in condition E is in a bad condition. Embankments and culverts are included within the definition of Principal Assets but towpaths are dealt with as a separate category and are graded according to condition grades from A to E where A is described as very good and E is bad.

The heritage asset measure in the table below covers both the waterway assets categorised as Heritage Assets in the accounts policies as well as operational and investment properties that have heritage qualities.

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Measure	Description	Outcome Result
Network Stewardship Score	A combined measure of waterway functionality and public benefit as at 31 March 2019.	120 (2018: 120)
Safety		
Number of reported incidents involving customers relating to infrastructure failure	The numbers of injuries for the year ended 31 March 2019.	34 (2018: 29) customer incidents where an infrastructure defect was a significant contributory cause.
Number of reported incidents involving employees	The numbers of injuries for the year ended 31 March 2019.	53 (2018: 92) total employee recorded injuries of which 12 HSE Riddor reportable, of which 6 (2018: 4) were 'over 7 day' injuries.
Percentage of waterway assets in Classes D and E*	Based on Principal Asset condition grades. The Relevant Standard is for the aggregate of assets in classes D&E not to exceed 25% of the total.	Aggregate percentage of principal assets in condition classes D&E was 13.20% as at 31 March 2019 (2018: 13.22%).
Towpaths		
Number of towpath visitors (based on annual survey data)	Number of visits and visitors for the year ended 31 March 2019. This is based on a survey of members of the public, expressed in millions.	Total visits 349m (2018: 372m) Average visitors during a two week period 4.1m (2018: 4.3m)
Number and duration of unplanned towpath closures	Defined as unplanned closures that are caused by asset or infrastructure failure for the year ended 31 March 2019.	Number of closures 17 (2018: 31) Number of closure days 262 (2018: 452)
Percentage of towpaths in conditions A to C*	The Relevant Standard is no less than 60% aggregate in conditions A to C.	Aggregate percentage of towpaths in condition classes A, B and C was 80.84% as at 31 March 2019 (2018: 79.67%).

Flood management*		
Percentage of principal culverts and embankments in Class D and Class E	The Relevant Standard is for the aggregate of flood management assets in classes D&E not to exceed 4% of the total flood management assets.	Aggregate percentage of flood management assets in condition classes D&E was 0.96% as at 31 March 2019 (2018: 0.96%).
Sites of Special Scientific Interest (SSSIs)		
Percentage area of SSSIs under Trust management in favourable or unfavourable recovering condition	The data is available only for sites in England and is obtained from Natural England. It covers a total of 718 hectares of SSSI sites under the Trust's management.	Favourable 38.3% (2018: 38.8%) Unfavourable recovering 34.2% (2018: 28.5%)
Heritage		
Percentage of Heritage Assets assessed on completion of work as good or adequate with double weighting given to good assessments	This measure includes work on several assets that have heritage qualities and is not limited to waterway infrastructure assets only.	97.2% (2018: 97.6% (restated))
Volunteer participation		
Number of volunteer days contributed to the Trust	Number of volunteer days for the year ended 31 March 2019.	89,579 days (2018: 82,356 days)
Trust owned housing forecast figures	Based on the property development activity on the Trust's sites (including joint ventures) – actual for the year ended 31 March 2019 and forecast for the year ending 31 March 2020. <i>(These figures also include development sites previously disposed of by the Trust. These are not formally monitored by the Trust and are reported on the basis agreed previously with the Homes and Communities Agency)</i>	2018/19: 513 residential units completed (497 forecast) 2019/20: Over 493 units under construction currently. Over 400 units anticipated to commence construction in 2019/20. Approximately 491 units forecast to be completed in 2019/20.

The Publication Data items denoted with an * comprise the Relevant Standards for the purpose of the conditional element of the Defra Grant. The information in the table above demonstrates that the Relevant Standards have been met for the period to 31 March 2019 and accordingly the Trust will apply for payment of the conditional portion of the Defra Grant funding for the year ending 31 March 2019 which comprises £10m.