The Stour Catchment Partnership

The structure of the partnership is shown below:

The steering group was formed in May 2014 after several meetings involving a wide variety of stakeholders.

The steering group will support, refine and improve the development and delivery of the Catchment Plan. It will aim to bring together a broad cross section of partners to represent the key stakeholder organisations. Each partner will represent their interest area however they will also represent other organisations who share that interest.

The governance group comprises representatives from the regulatory and funding organisations that have the power to influence budgets and staff resources within their organisations with regard to the SCI and the other two catchments in the Dorset area (Poole Harbour and Dorset Coastal Streams). The group will provide a strategic overview and support the steps taken towards achieving the goals that have been agreed. The group will also feedback the outputs to their relevant Boards and to the River Basin Liaison Panel.

Task groups are set up on an ‘as needed’ basis, in order to carry out work that needs more detailed or specialist attention. This includes exploring and improving evidence, developing and delivering solutions, and developing funding bids. Task Groups are made up of individuals and organisations with a particular interest, knowledge or influence in the subject of the group, and may be drawn from the partnership or from the wider stakeholders.

An agricultural steering group for the Dorset Stour has been set up with farmer representation from farms of all types from across the catchment. This is being co-ordinated by Catchment Sensitive Faming (CSF) and will also offer the agricultural perspective input into the SCI. For more information please contact Tim.Stoner@naturalengland.org.uk.

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