

Queen Elizabeth Park Wetland and Meadows Aerial

QUEEN ELIZABETH PARK



Wetland Creation
The Witham / Sleas Blue Green Corridor will be creating a wetland environment of ground water fed pools to restore low habitat value grassland into species rich wetland.

WILDFLOWER MEADOW

Wildflower Meadow
The Blue Green Corridor project will be recreating a species-rich lowland floodplain meadow to complement the floodplain/ wetland meadows created as part of the wetland creation project. It is anticipated that the neutral wetland meadows will support flower-rich swards including meadow buttercup, common sorrel, oxide daisy, meadowsweet marsh marigold.

The mineral rich excess soil excavated during the wetland creation will provide the ideal conditions for the creation of lowland neutral hay meadows. This will include the characteristically hay smelling sweet vernal grass as well as herbs including cowslip, knapweed, red clover, and oxide daisy to name a few. Annual cutting and removal for hay allows bulky species to be kept in check, and more delicate species, such as orchids, to flourish.

In-Channel Works – Berm creation
A variety of in-channel works, including berm creation, will be undertaken as part of the Blue Green Corridor project over the next three years. The river corridor identified for these works extends from Dysart Park to Queen Elizabeth Park.

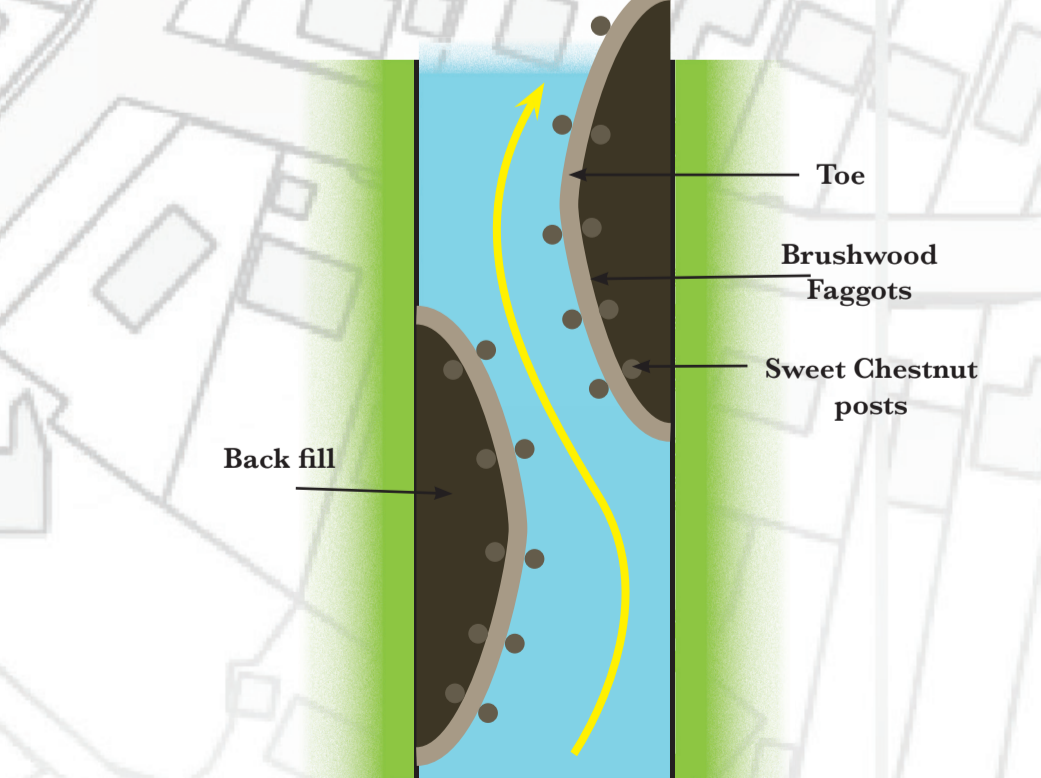
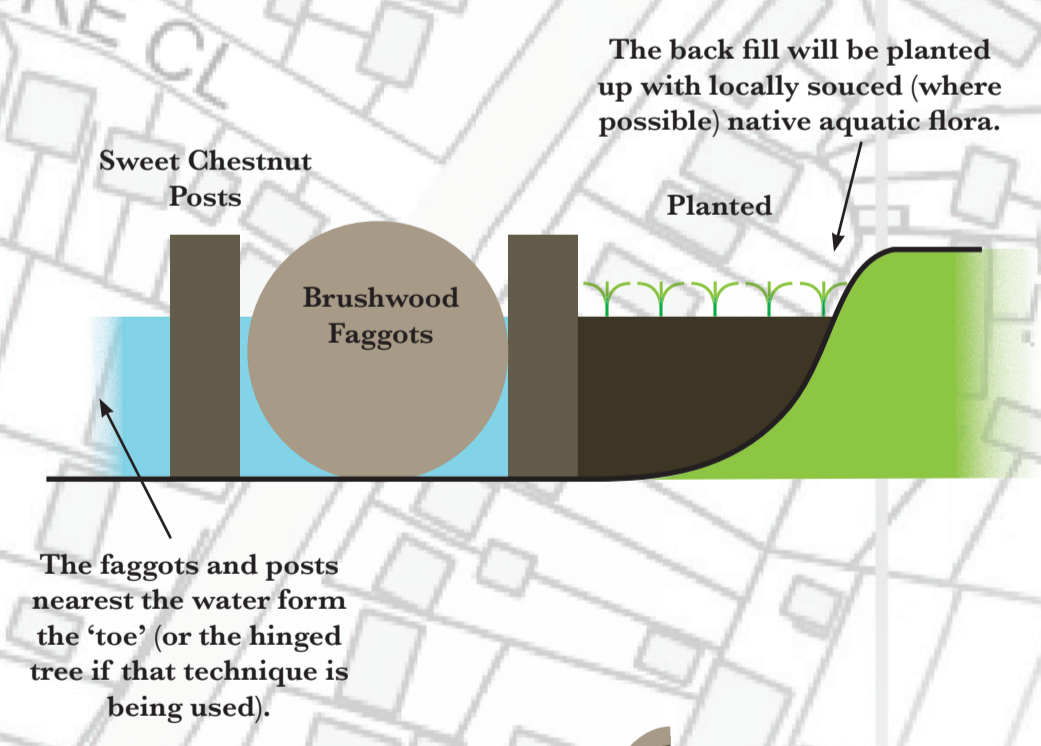
creating a habitat suitably attractive to a variety of aquatic animals including scarce and protected species, such as the endangered white clawed crayfish, and support invertebrates and molluscs which are food source for grey wagtails, which have limited habitat in the area and are listed as Red under the Birds of Conservation Concern.

This map illustrates the reach of the river running through Queen Elizabeth Park. Berms are being planned for creation from Belton Lane up to the weir at the southern extent of Belton Grove on the opposite bank of the River to Queen Elizabeth Park.

The berms will be planted with native aquatic species of plants,



This Lincolnshire Rivers Trust photograph show a newly created berm within Dysart Park



Would you like to get involved?
If you would like to get involved, there will be opportunities to volunteer to support this project (COVID-19 dependent) – please contact our **Parks Community Engagement Officer** j.ashworth@southkesteven.gov.uk

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