


# Feedback Form

## River Thames Scheme Consultation 8 November – 20 December 2022

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# River Thames Scheme Consultation

## Introduction

The River Thames Scheme is designed to unlock the economic, health and

environmental benefits of the river between Egham and Teddington.

It will respond to the challenges of flooding; provide access to green open spaces and sustainable travel routes; encourage inclusive economic growth and increase biodiversity

Each element of the River Thames Scheme will work together to deliver benefits for

communities to help them live more sustainably

This consultation is a critical step in the River Thames Scheme All of your consultation feedback is important to us and will help to shape our proposals going forward You can send us your views by:

* Completing and returning this form to FREEPOST RTUK-RBLY-XUBT, RIVER THAMES SCHEME
* Completing and submitting an online response form at: www riverthamesscheme org uk/questionnaire
* Sending us an email to rts@environment-agency.gov.uk
* Sending us a letter to FREEPOST RTUK-RBLY-XUBT, RIVER THAMES SCHEME

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## About your feedback

The questions in this section help us to understand who is responding to this consultation. Knowing this means we can tailor the scheme to the wants and needs of the different communities along our route.

### Q1. Are you responding to this consultation as:

An individual

On behalf of an organisation

On behalf of a group/community

### Q2a. If you are responding as an individual, please tell us your home postcode:

Postcode

**Q2b. If you are responding on behalf of an organisation or a group, please tell us:**

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| The name of your organisation / group: |
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| Your role in the organisation / group: |
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| How the views of the people you represent were collected: |
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These questions ask for your opinions about the River Thames Scheme and how the design has evolved since the 2016 consultation There is a lot of information in the consultation materials about the changes which we have made. Please read the consultation materials before answering these questions

### Q3a. Just downstream from Desborough Cut we are proposing lowering the riverbed. How much to you agree or disagree with this approach?

Strongly agree Disagree

Agree Strongly disagree

Neither agree nor disagree I don’t know

### Q3b. It will help us to consider any necessary changes in the scheme if we understand why people agree or disagree with this proposal. For example, there may be information which you feel we have missed out. Please tell us why you agreed or disagreed with the question above?

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The River Thames Scheme will provide better access to new green open spaces, connect people with wildlife and deliver a more sustainable travel network

### Q4. How do you think we should provide better access to new green open spaces? For example, how would you want to get to the new spaces, should we provide pedestrian gates, should we provide parking or bike stands, should we provide places to launch canoes or places for fishing, and so on?

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**Q5. How do you think we could allow users of the new green open spaces to connect with wildlife? For example, do we plant trees or wild areas to encourage wildlife, do you want notices to point out what wildlife is around, do you want board walks that allow you to get into wetlands, should we provide bird hides to allow you to observe wildlife and so on?**

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### Q6. How do you think we could create a more sustainable travel network in Surrey? For example, providing cycle/walking paths connecting places of work, schools, railway stations, and linking to other existing footpaths and trails, and so on?

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**Q7a. We will need to balance these factors in the design we develop. We would like to know which of these you value most. Please rank the factors, with 1 the most important to you and 3 the least important.**

Access to new green open spaces More sustainable travel network

Connection with wildlife I don’t know

### Q7b. Why do you say that?

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We set out in the consultation information how we will provide high quality habitats, which could include wetlands, grasslands, woodlands, rivers, ponds and hedgerows

### Q8a. While we are committed to providing green open spaces, creating habitats and increasing biodiversity, there may be areas where we need to balance these. We would like to know which of these you value most. Please tick one.

I would prefer more new green open spaces

I would prefer more high quality habitats and increased biodiversity I think both are equally important

I don’t know

### Q8b. Why do you say that?

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### Q9. Is there anything else we should take into account in our scheme design?

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The River Thames Scheme is committed to responsible and sustainable construction

### Q10. Is there anything we should take into account in our approach to construction?

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## Final thoughts

### Q11. Finally, is there anything else you think we should consider as we develop our proposals for the River Thames Scheme further?

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## Getting involved with the scheme

### Q12. Would you like to be involved in our future work to develop ideas for the scheme?

Yes No

If yes, please fill in your contact details at the end of the form.

## How you use the area covered by the River Thames Scheme

It will help us to understand the responses we receive to this consultation if you would provide some information about you and how you use this area The information

will be used for analysis purposes only We will produce a report setting out what responses we have received, the information in the report will be anonymised and will not allow individuals to be identified.

### Q13. Which of the following apply to you? Tick all that apply to you.

I live in the area

I work in the area

I am studying in the area

I visit the area regularly but don’t live here None of these

### Q14. How frequently do you visit the area?

Nearly every day Several times a year

– I live, work and/or study here

Several times a week Once a year or less

Several times a month I don’t visit the area

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## How you use the area covered by the River Thames Scheme

### Q15. How do you get around in the area? Tick all that apply to you.

By car, van or motorcycle Other – please tell us more By public transport (bus, train, taxi)

By bicycle or scooter

On foot I don’t visit the area

On the water (boat, canoe, kayak) None of the above

### Q16. What is your sex?

Male I prefer not to say

Female

### Q17. Including yourself, how many people live in your household?

1 – I live alone 4

2 5+

3 I prefer not to say

### Q18. Does your household include any of the following? Tick all that apply to your household.

Children aged 10 and under Adults aged 67+

Children aged 11-17 I prefer not to say

Adults aged 18-66

### Q19. Do you have a long-standing illness or disability (physical or mental impairment that has a ‘substantial’ and ‘long-term’ negative effect on your ability to do normal daily activities)?

Yes I prefer not to say

No

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In answering the below demographic questions you are consenting to the River Thames Scheme collecting specific personal data for the purposes of monitoring how well we are reaching all the communities in the area We will use the information

in analysing the feedback received during the consultation This data will be held in accordance with GDPR, more information can be found in our privacy statement at www riverthamesscheme org uk/privacy

### Please provide your consent by ticking the appropriate box below.

**Yes**, I consent to my data **No**, I do not consent to my data

being collected being collected Skip to Q25

### Q20. How old are you?

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| Under 18 | 55-64 |
| 18-24 | 65-74 |
| 25-34 | 75-84 |
| 35-44 | 85+ |
| 45-54 | I prefer not to say |

**Q21. What is your ethnic group?**

White – British, English, Northern Irish, Asian or Asian British Scottish or Welsh – Bangladeshi

White – Irish Asian or Asian British – Chinese

White – Gypsy or Irish Traveller Any other Asian background

Any other White background Black or Black British – Caribbean

White and Black Caribbean Black or Black British – African

White and Black African Any other black British, Caribbean

or African background

White and Asian Arab

Any other mixed or multiple Other ethnic group – please specify:

ethnic background

Asian or Asian British – Indian

Asian or Asian British – Pakistani I prefer not to say

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### Q22. What is your religion?

No religion Muslim

Christian Sikh

Buddhist Another religion or belief

Hindu I prefer not to say

Jewish

### Q23. How do you self-identify your sexual orientation?

Bisexual Heterosexual/straight

Gay man Other

Gay woman/Lesbian I prefer not to say

### Q24. Are you currently looking after a family member, partner, or friend in need of help because they are ill, frail or have a disability?

Yes No

## How you want to be involved with the scheme

### Q25. How would you like to be involved in our future work to develop ideas for the scheme?

Receive email updates / newsletters

Attend workshops and meetings to contribute your thoughts on the scheme I don’t want to get involved

If you are happy for us to contact you, please fill in your contact details here:

Email address

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Please send this form back to us using our Freepost address,

all you need is an envelope:

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The River Thames Scheme, delivered in a partnership led by the Environment Agency and Surrey County Council, will reduce flood risk for residents and businesses and improve the surrounding area

