



The Wilder Frome

*A Vision and Strategic Action
Plan for the River Frome, Stroud*



Where is the Frome Catchment?

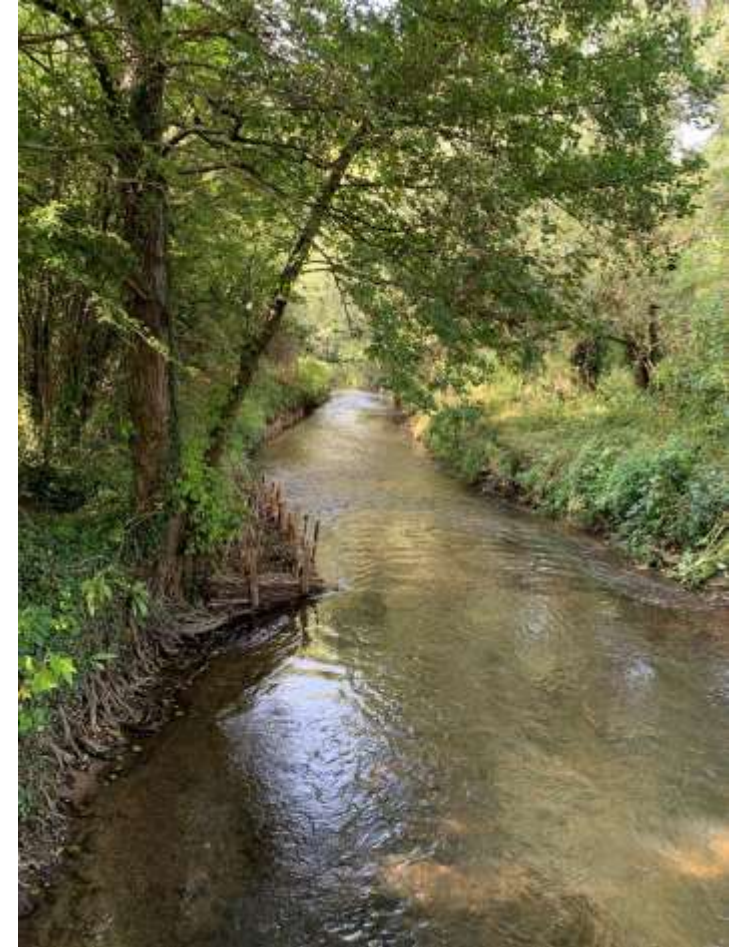


- The source lies on the western side of the Cotswolds National Landscape, near Caudle Green.
- Fed into by tributaries including the Painswick Stream, Ruscombe Brook, and Slad Brook, the River Frome reaches the Severn Estuary at Upper Framilode.
- The Stroudwater Navigation, sections of the Thames, and Gloucester and Sharpness canals also fall within the Frome catchment.
- The lower reaches lie adjacent to the Severn Estuary RAMSAR site, Special Protection Area, Special Area of Conservation, and SSSI.



The Vision

- A thriving, ecologically resilient, biodiverse river catchment from source to Severn estuary
- Ambitious, innovative projects
- A focus on collaboration and partnership
- Clear and achievable goals
- Encouraging and including local communities in the conservation of their rivers



Environmental Priorities

- Fish migration
- Making space for wildlife
- Wider landscape connectivity
- Cleaning up our rivers
- Restoring healthy flows
- Action on invasive non-native species
- Monitoring and Data
- Community Engagement and Partnership



Projects in the Frome Catchment



- Frome Native Crayfish Recovery
- Fish barrier removal and river restoration
- Cotswolds Canals Connected
- Flourishing Floodplains
- Fishier Frome
- Stroud Valleys NFM
- River Monitoring (citizen science)
- Painswick Invasives



Funding Bids applied for

- Water Environment Improvement Fund (WEIF)
- Species Recovery Fund (SRF)
- Species Survival Fund (SSF)
- Regional Flood and Coastal Committee fund
- Heritage Lottery Fund (HLF)

