







Culm Community Crayfish Project

Aims & Objectives

- 1. Survey upper River Culm and tributaries:
 - Establish range/population of invasive signal and native white-clawed crayfish.
 - Train volunteers
- 2. Schools education programme
- 3. Community engagement events
- 4. Small scale habitat improvement work







Volunteers

- 48 volunteers trained in March & April
- 43 crayfish survey days carried out between April and end of October
- 226 volunteer days in total worth £33,000 in in-kind match funding
- Age range: **5 75+**









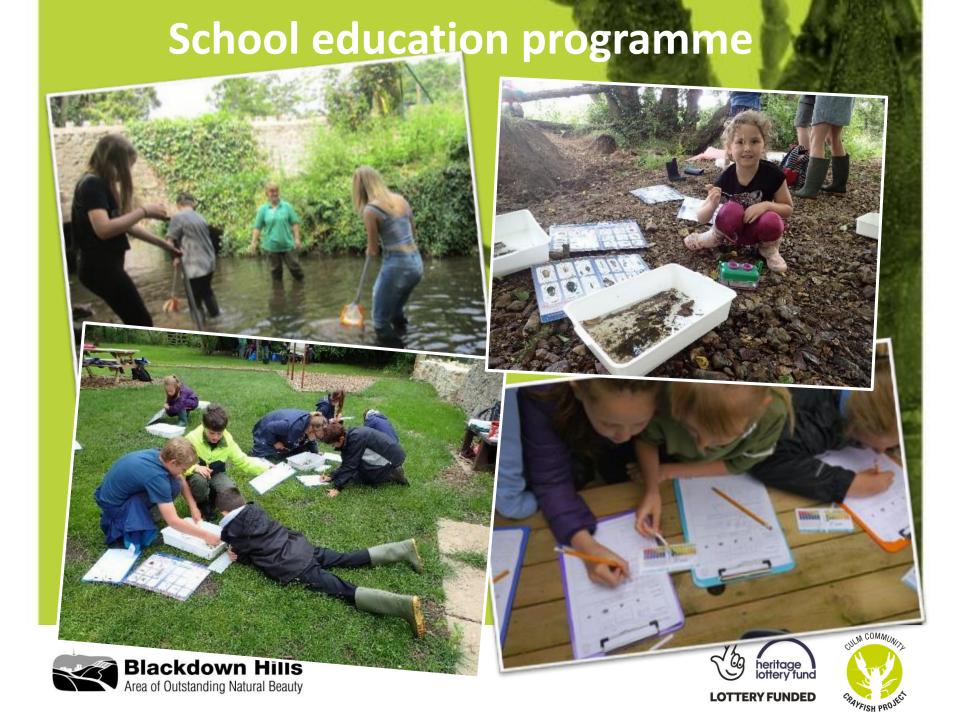
School education programme

- Engaged over 1700 children and 45 teachers
- Involved 8 schools and a home education group
 - School assemblies
 - Interactive classroom workshops
 - Hands-on outdoor learning sessions at Coldharbour
 Mill on the River Culm.
- Supported by volunteers









Community Engagement

- 11 community events delivered covering crayfish, river ecology and heritage themes attended by over 500 people
- Attended Devon County Show, Honiton Show and other local events
- Talks to community and special interest groups
- Raised awareness of the plight of our white-clawed crayfish, river ecology and the importance of biosecurity
- New riverside interpretation board, decorative bench and bridge rails being installed January 2019























