

Cotswolds Nature Recovery Plan – A vision for nature’s recovery



Generalised view of the river valleys, without and with nature recovery features



See the Cotswolds Nature Recovery Plan [webpage](#) for further details.



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Some of the features shown

- 1 Conversion of ‘semi-improved’ grassland to wildflower grassland on the slopes of the valley sides. Extending and linking the current wildflower grasslands.
- 2 Arable measures such as contour ploughing to conserve soils.
- 3 Hedgerows managed to become taller and thicker.
- 4 In field trees and agro-forestry.
- 5 Conversion of arable to wildflower pasture and hay meadows on slopes adjacent to river, particularly in areas prone to flooding. Wildflower grassland restoration incorporated into natural flood management measures.
- 6 Marginal growth along the river side.
- 7 River reconnected with its floodplain allowing the development of wetland habitats including wet woodland.