

River Hull Integrated Catchment Strategy: Sunken Vessels

The sunken vessels project was based around the removal of 10 sunken vessels from the River Hull between Tickton and Beverley Beck through to the east of Beverley. The removal of sunken vessels was identified through the RHICS (River Hull Integrated Catchment Strategy) as part of a suite of measures to improve the effectiveness and attractiveness of the River Hull and the surrounding environment.

Removing the vessels was an operational requirement of the multi-million-pound River Hull Integrated Catchment Strategy (RHICS), which was adopted by the River Hull Board in July 2015 with the aim of improving the flow of the river.

The removal of the vessels has significantly improved the local environment, making the area more attractive for existing businesses and in turn will increase its appeal to new investors. The removal of the unsightly old and dilapidated boats has increased the attractiveness of the surrounding area including the network of public footpaths and cycle ways, the regional Trans-Pennine Trail, and the river itself, which is navigable for leisure craft from Hull to beyond Beverley

The scheme has also helped to support tourism in Beverley by creating a pleasant local environment for residents and visitors. In doing so the removal of the boats has also helped, and will continue to help, improve tourism through amenity and recreational use of the River Hull and the surrounding area. The improvements will also lend support to activities like; walking, bird watching, boating and fishing.

The removal of the boats has helped to ensure that the River Hull remains navigable for freight barges. These travel from Hull as far as Beverley, connecting to the busy commercial waterway of the Humber Estuary, and thus providing access to the international ports of Hull (and others around the estuary) which are of prime importance to the regional and national economy.



Funding (£)

LGF	£150,000
Public Sector	£100,000
Total	£250,000

Outputs

Jobs Safeguarded	100
Construction Jobs	30
Commercial Floorspace with reduced flood risk (m ²)	45,000

