Natural Capital and our Green Economy

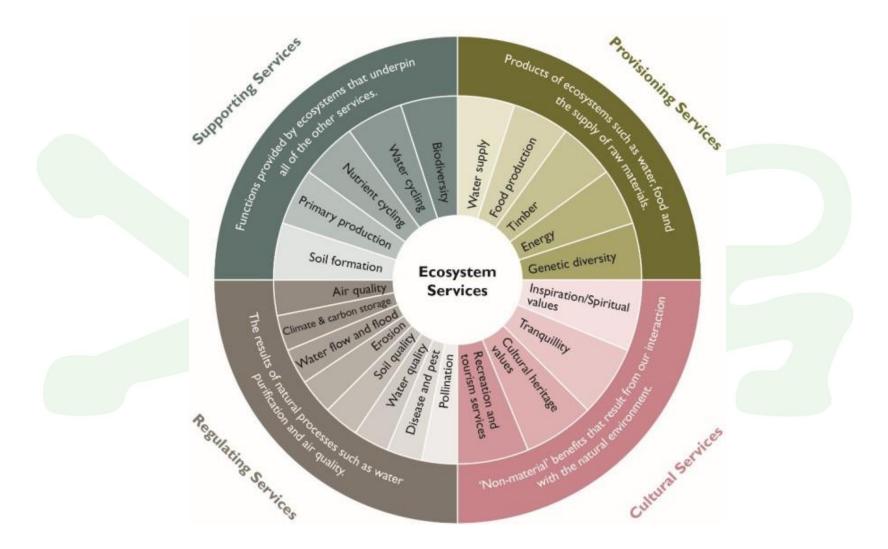
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- The vast majority of Dorset residents surveyed stated that the environment was important in their decision to live in Dorset
- Natural environment designations cover a large portion of Dorset
- Businesses report a demonstrable positive impact from both the Jurassic Coast and Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty designations.
- Dorset has 5% of England's nationally protected ancient monuments.
- All of the Dorset coast (excluding the town seafronts) is recognised in national or international designations
- The County hosts
 - 86% of British mammal species
 - $\circ~$ 70% of our birds,
 - o 78% of our butterflies,
 - o 67% of our dragonflies, and all of our native reptiles and amphibians.



Natural Capital & Ecosystem Services





Pollinator's Action Plan

- Highway verges
- Planting pollinator attracting flowering plants
- Prohibited use of neonicotinoid pesticides
- New development providing net gain for pollinators
- Delayed cutting of hedgerows where safe to do so...
- Planning for pollinators early in infrastructure projects



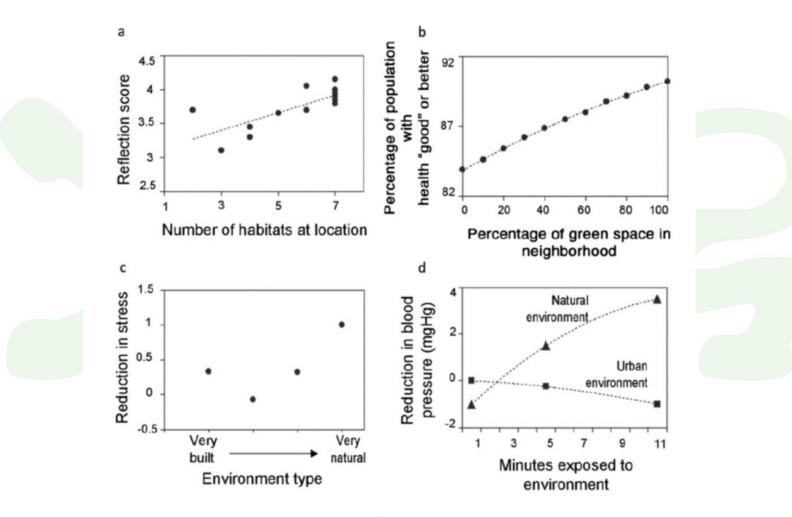


• Management of Countryside sites, County Farms and in the Environmental Advice we provide





Social Value – Health and Well-Being





Economic Value

• Depending on the methodology used for assessment, the value of the environment to Dorset has been estimated as being worth between £0.9 and £2.5 billion per year. It also supports between 17,000 and 61,000 jobs in the economy.



Today's presentations

Some of the key areas of C & C Services work

- How we manage our green assets.
- The County Farm Estate and its management
- Promoting health and well-being in our communities
- How we can enable development whilst meeting our environmental obligations

