Found voice: Visual art as a novel data source to elicit cultural ecosystem services

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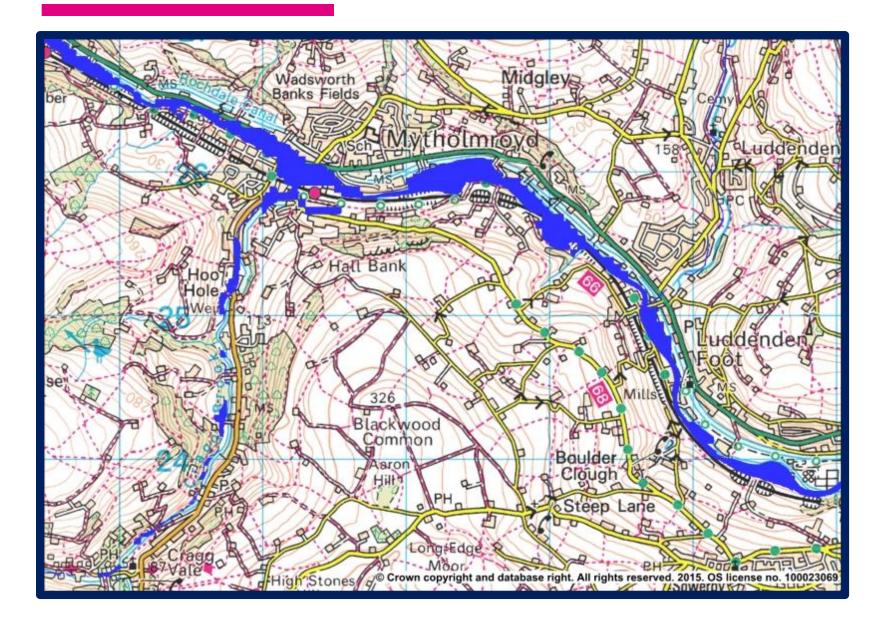
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Place attachment and cultural ecosystem services

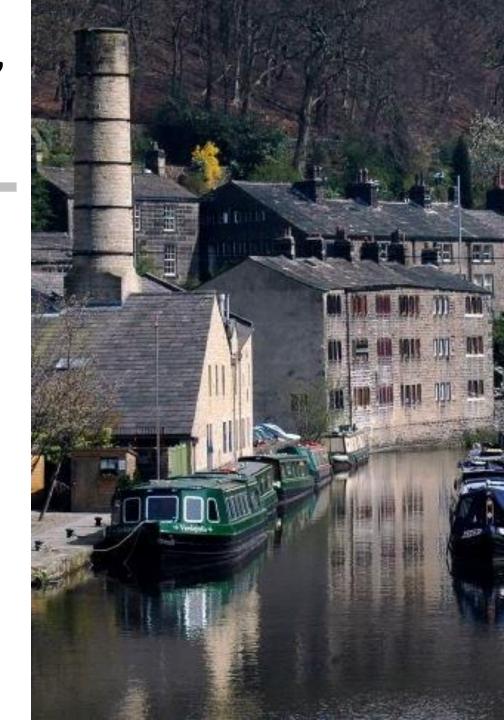


NFM 'reintroduction' to the catchment

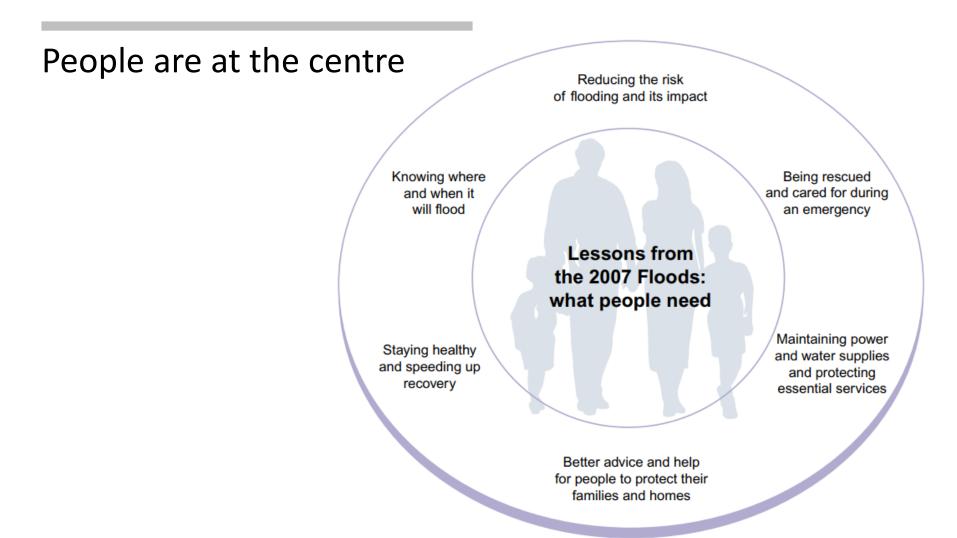
 Values people place on rivers and catchments

 Understanding place attachment

 Methods typically follows qualitative, quantitative and mapping approaches



Pitt Review, 2008



Calder

Paula Sutherland and Geoff Brokate

5 stories from Mytholmroyd residents

- The community coming together in adversity
- Transformative impact of the flood
- Personal challenges faced by individuals attempting to make positive changes in its aftermath.



https://vimeo.com/162076350

Secondary data source for research



Method

Coding

- Transcribed
- Cultural benefits (Chan et al., 2012)

☐ Codes

☐ Sub-codes

☐ Combined codes

□ Visuals uncoded

Table 1: CES benefit codes and descriptors, number of phrases coded using Chan et al., (2012) cultural benefit framework

Core code	# of codes	Descriptors	# of codes
Aspiration	6		
Activity	35	Acceptance	3
		Celebrate	1
		Clear up	10
		Emergency response	5
		Memory	4
		Patrol	2
		Preparedness	4
		Thanks	6
Aesthetic	14	Audio	8
		Visual	6
Employment	13	Volunteer	13
Existence/bequest	5		
Identity	20	Community	13
		Humanity	7
Inspiration	9	Loss	1
Knowledge	5		
Material	5	Loss	5
Option	2		
Place/heritage	11		
Social capital and cohesion	13	Overseas	1
Spiritual	26	Helpless	1
		Loss	8
		Resilience	3
		Touched	5
		Unease	9
Time	5		

Discourses

- Action
- Reconciliation
- Retreat

Motivation for, and potentially direction to, flood risk preparedness and communication, including displacement?



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Environmental economics, health sciences, mental health, peace studies

Calder as testimony vs other elicitation methods

Advantages

- Not led
- Tell their own story in their own way
- Multiple authors

Disadvantages

Less control

- ☐ About the river or floods?
- ☐ Not always filmed in places of importance
- ☐ Generalisable?
- ☐ How to find?

Other

- Poignant
- Haunting
- Emotional
- ☐ Foster and indeed provoke "empathetic engagement" of the wider public

Artist-researcher collaboration

Outside the academic bubble

One of six research inquiries

- Interview
- Film runs
- Writing process
- "somatic mapping"
- ☐ give something back
- avoid sensationalising

Closer to community

Trust

Commitment

Connection to a nearby place

Emplacement

Willingness to work in community

THANK YOU