



# VALUING NATURE

## Development of a toolkit for modelling natural capital in Dorset

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# Research area

- Background
  - PhD – Assessing cultural ecosystem services in the New Forest National Park.
  - Research Technician for NERC BESS Dynamics and Thresholds of Ecosystem Services in Wooded Landscapes.
- Current project - Mapping ecosystem services in Dorset.
  - Including recreation, carbon storage, water yield and property values amongst others.

# Reason for attending Business Impact School

- Impact is a vital component of research and requires consideration as part of the research process.
- There can be challenges, or 'unknowns' of the 'how' to engage with businesses.
- Networking with peers working in related areas of research.

# Getting research used by business

- Project to support Dorset Local Economic Partnership and Dorset Local Nature by:
  - Spatial database of various Ecosystem Services in Dorset.
  - Developing a modelling toolkit linking these values with economic activity.
  - Workshop with local stakeholders.