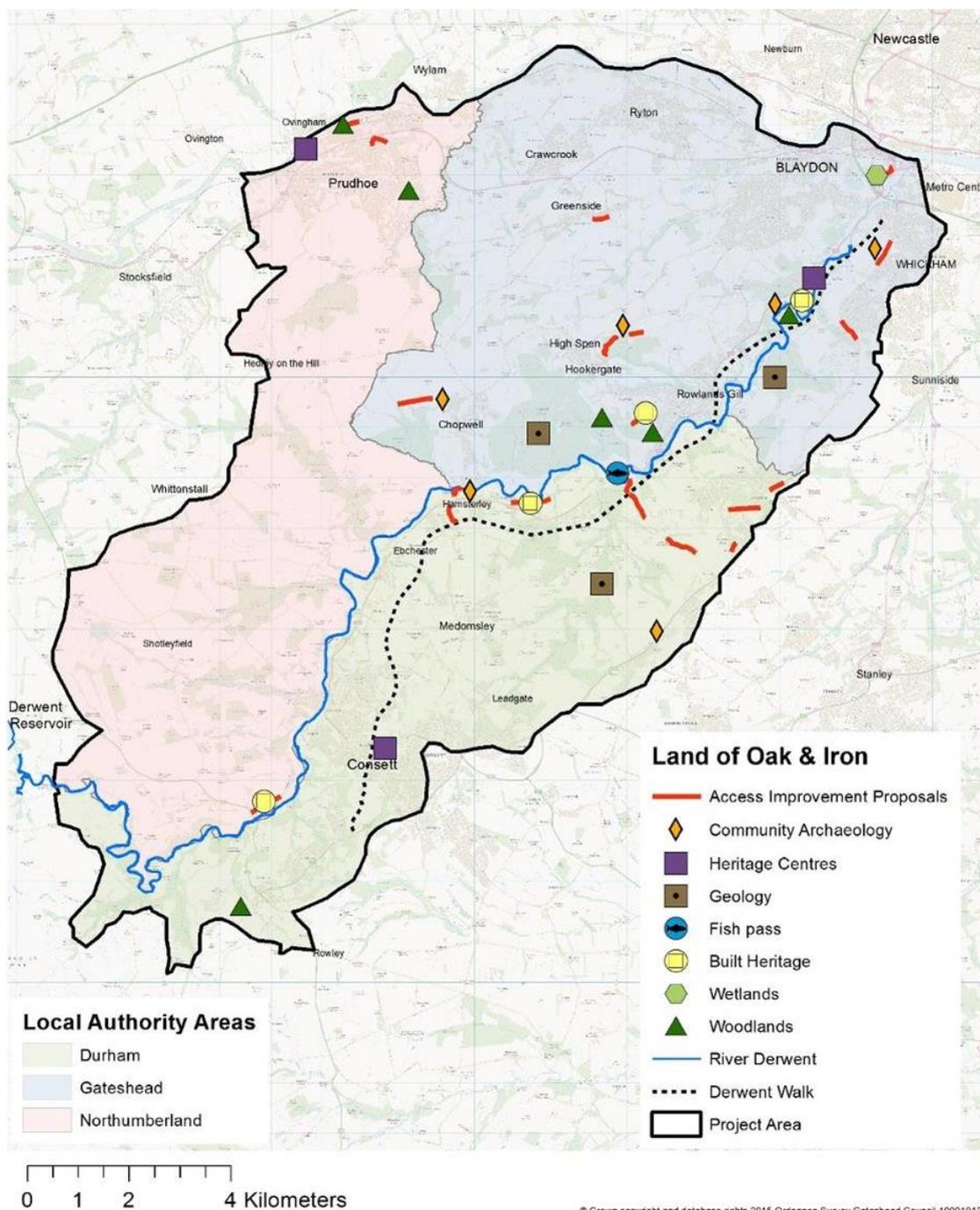


## Land of Oak & Iron Vision

Working with local communities to celebrate, conserve and enhance our natural, industrial and cultural heritage. With partners, we will deliver a legacy of job creation, tourism, regeneration and economic benefits.

The map below illustrates the locations of the capital projects delivered by Land of Oak & Iron. Revenue projects including surveying, creative interpretation, education, skills, sustainable transport, events, promotion and community grants projects will also be delivered to engage people in and add value to, the overall scheme. The 14 integrated projects will conserve, enhance and celebrate the Land of Oak & Iron telling its story to local people and visitors alike.





Theme	Project	Activities	2016-2020	Coordinator
1 – Investing in Heritage  Rediscovering Lost Landscapes	<b>1. Community Archaeology</b> – Uncovering and exploring heritage	<b>Community Archaeology</b> – to research and record archaeological evidence of mining and wagon ways, innovation in bulk transport and heavy engineering that developed in the area.	1-3	New Visions Heritage
	<b>2. Built restoration</b> – Restoration of four key industrial heritage sites.	<b>Whinfield Coke Ovens</b> – repair, conserve and interpret the remains of the Beehive Coke Ovens which are a Scheduled Ancient Monument and turn them into an asset.	1	Tyne & Wear Building Preservation Trust
		<b>Derwentcote Steel Furnace</b> – the earliest and most complete steel-making furnace in Britain. Conserve and enhance this exciting site and turn it into a vibrant visitor attraction.	1-4	English Heritage
		<b>Allensford Blast Furnace</b> – a mysterious Grade II Listed Building and Scheduled Ancient Monument in need of conservation and interpretation.	1-2	Tyne & Wear Building Preservation Trust
		<b>Crowley's Dam</b> – conservation of this relic from Winlaton Mill ironworks which is an internationally significant industrial heritage site.	1	Gateshead Council
	<b>3. River Restoration</b> to improve water quality and natural habitats	<b>Fish Pass</b> – at Lintzford weir to improve water quality and habitats.	1-2	Tyne Rivers Trust
		<b>River Restoration</b> – community based pollution reduction, river crafts, surveying and educational work.	1-4	Tyne Rivers Trust
	<b>4. Woodland Restoration</b> to return to native state	<b>Woodland Improvement</b> – enhancement, restoration and expansion of native woodland to restore habitats with major schemes near Consett, Prudhoe and Gateshead.	1-4	Woodland Trust / Groundwork / Durham Wildlife Trust
	<b>5. Shibdon Meadow</b> – Wetland habitat restoration	<b>Wetland Enhancement</b> – Restoring a Local Wildlife Site at a major gateway to our area.	1-3	Durham Wildlife Trust
	2 – Investing in People  Forging a stronger future from the past	<b>6. Oak &amp; Iron Skills</b> - to develop skills needed to maintain heritage for the long term.	<b>Young People Skills &amp; Training</b> – formal training in areas such as woodland management, heritage crafts, construction, tourism, customer services and business skills.	1-4
<b>Volunteer Skills</b> – developing skills to manage impact for the long term.				LOI Delivery Team
<b>7. Educational Activities</b> for children. A choice of educational topics will be offered to schools in the area.		<b>Outdoor Education</b> – about the landscape, how it shaped and has then been shaped, by industrial development at locations including Chopwell Woods, Derwenthead, Thornley Woods, Milkwellburn and Prudhoe. <b>Industrial Heritage</b> – learning opportunities about coal mining, iron and steel making, wagon ways, railways and water mill industries. <b>Cultural Heritage</b> – learning about the area's cultural heritage such as Rapper Dancing.	1-4	Groundwork NE & Cumbria

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	<b>8. Geology &amp; Wildlife Surveys</b> – Identifying, recording and discovering heritage.	<b>Surveying Techniques</b> - to survey, map, record and interpret the most significant geological sites and wildlife in the area including some of conservation concern.	1-4	Durham Wildlife Trust
3 – Investing in Communities  Creating a legacy	<b>9. Access For All</b> – to enhance access around the area.	<b>Improved access</b> – to the River Derwent, Derwent Walk and C2C, through woodlands and along waggon ways. Improved connectivity to heritage sites.	1-3	LOI Delivery Team / Gateshead, Durham, Northumberland LAs
	<b>10. Creative Interpretation</b> of the natural, industrial and cultural heritage to promote and widen engagement.	<b>Onsite Interpretation</b> – varied forms at heritage sites. <b>Offsite Interpretation</b> – such as a performance with music, recording oral histories, an App, through arts and dance and a website to widely promote the area and enhance engagement in its fascinating history. <b>Treasure Trails</b> – to encourage a wider group of people to use the improved access and explore local heritage.	1-4	Groundwork NE & Cumbria
	<b>11. Go Green</b> – Reducing environmental impacts through enhancing sustainable transport.	<b>Network Development</b> – promoting walking and public transport, bike hubs and potential cycle hire and e-bike scheme. <b>Bike-ability</b> – training for children and adults to build confidence and skills. <b>CSR</b> - business engagement to support green travel.	1-4	Groundwork NE & Cumbria
	<b>12. Community Grants</b> for community projects.	<b>Small Grant Scheme</b> – funding for relevant community-based projects that enhance the overall scheme.	1-4	County Durham Community Foundation
	<b>13. Heritage Centres</b> to present and promote the heritage and the area.	<b>Satellite Centres</b> – signposting, promotion and heritage exhibitions. At Consett and Prudhoe.	1-2	Leisureworks & Northumberland CC
	<b>14. Marketing and Promotions</b> - Engaging a wide audience inside and out of the area.	<b>Land of Oak &amp; Iron website</b> – development & maintenance. <b>Products and merchandise</b> – guidebook, calendar, T-shirts etc. <b>Videos / photography</b> – to showcase the area. <b>Signage</b> – to highlight attractions and access routes.	1-4	LOI Delivery Team

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**Land of Oak & Iron delivery team** is in place to support the delivery of this scheme: a Partnership Manager, Administration & Finance Officer, Community Engagement Officer and an Access & Woodland Officer. The team will provide resource and expertise to support new and existing groups to interact with and benefit from the project. It will also engage communities within and outside of the area, encouraging participation in activities and providing support for practical volunteering opportunities.