

## Case Study Waithe Beck, Thorganby



*"We were looking into offering some chalk stream fishing to guests of our holiday cottage. The Chalk Streams Project have helped us improve the habitat, not only for fish, but other wildlife as well. This further improves the visitor experiences."*

Landowner, 2008



**Chalk Streams**  
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### **Project location:**

Thorganby, Lincolnshire

### **Date:**

February 2008

### **Cost:**

The enhancement was undertaken by Creative Nature at a cost of £4900.

### **Site description:**

A meandering channel with low banks but suffering from shade by adjacent hedge. This severely limited marginal plant growth and therefore impacted upon invertebrate and amphibian numbers.

### **Special considerations:**

Work was undertaken next to a Deserted Medieval Village and close liaison with archaeologists was required to ensure no damage was caused.

Permission was sought from the district council to remove the hedge.

### **Completed project:**

- 300m of hedge removed.
- Four channel deflectors installed to provide flow diversity where needed.

### **Benefits:**

- Improved habitat for marginal plants, water vole, aquatic invertebrates and otter.
- Increased scour resulting in improved spawning habitat for trout.

