<u>Transparency data: Defra: senior</u> <u>officials' business expenses and</u> <u>hospitality, January to March 2020</u>

Data on senior officials' business expenses and hospitality, and the permanent secretary's meetings with external organisations.

£450,000 repair work for Hereford flood wall damaged in winter floods

Environment Agency work to survey and repair the flood wall in Hereford which was damaged in the October 2019 and February 2020 floods is now underway.

News story: Plastic carrier bag sales slashed by more than 95% since 5p charge introduced

Latest data shows a 59% drop in plastic carrier bag sales in the last year alone in main supermarkets, with charities receiving nearly £180 million since 2015.

UPGro research programme findings revealed in new film

Scientists from the British Geological Survey (BGS) are among a group of 200 of the world's best researchers from more than 50 organisations across Africa and Europe, involved in a programme to improve the evidence base around groundwater availability and governance in Africa.

Press release: Wildlife crime and conservation expert John Scanlon appointed chair of UK government's Illegal Wildlife Trade Challenge Fund

International Environment Minister Lord Goldsmith has appointed John Scanlon as chair of the Illegal Wildlife Trade (IWT) Challenge Fund. The IWT Challenge Fund supports projects aiming to tackle the illegal wildlife trade around the world.