



Welcome to the Dorset Coast Forum Conference

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Dorset Coast Forum Update

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DCF Project Support



Studland Bay Marine Partnership

- Facilitation of wide range of stakeholders
- Supporting far-reaching comms & engagement
- Future establishment of a CIC.

Sustainable Swanage

- Promoting Sustainable living
- Co-ordinating volunteers
- Enhancing green space
- Community pantry & repair café



DCF Project Support



Swanage Flood Defence

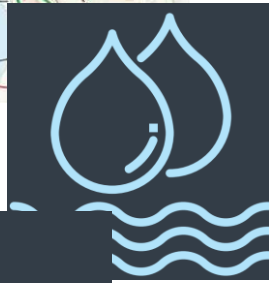
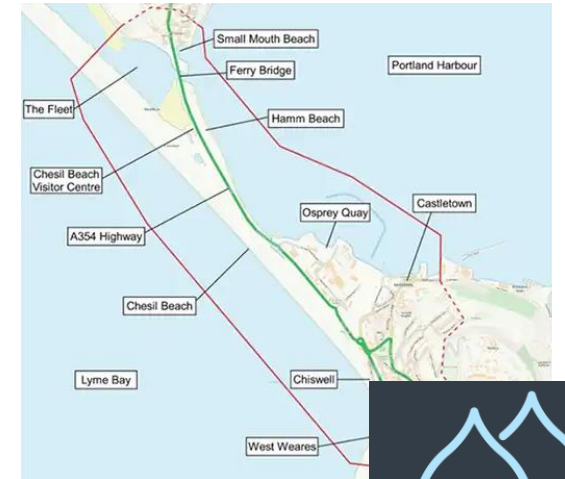
- Stakeholder and community liaison
- 'Flooding Swanage with Art'

Weymouth and Portland Flood Defence

- Sharing information on flood and coastal defence strategies, options and capital works
- Gaining feedback

Lyme Regis Cobb Stabilisation Works

- Stakeholder engagement
- Future: Heritage interpretation



**Weymouth
Flood Defence
Project**



DCF Project Support



Swanage Seafront Masterplan

- Masterplan based on future developments and public response
- Created a vision for the seafront
- An holistic response to a programme of future works



Swanage Green Seafront Stabilisation

- Gaining feedback on design options
- Sharing information on ground movement.



DCF Core Work

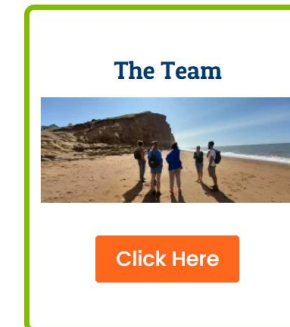
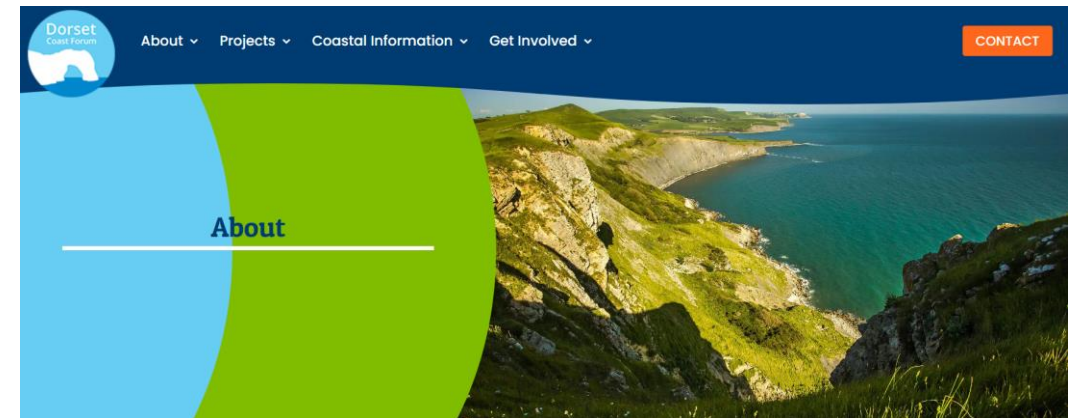


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Dorset Coast Strategy

2023-2026



Purpose and Vision

Purpose

- Inspire and influence members
- Sustainable management and enhancement of the coast
- Aligns with wider policies and strategies relevant to these objectives

Vision

- The Dorset Coast and marine environment, its rich history and biodiversity, are enhanced and thriving for nature, wildlife and communities.
- Partnerships are formed and successfully deliver ambitious short, medium, and long-term goals linked to the objectives.

#Objectives

Why use hashtags?

- Simple and allows for continued use in communications and messaging.
- Bring together, highlight, celebrate and inspire the work of DCF members.
- Introduces strategy to wider audience.

Under each #objective

- Description and word cloud
- Set of deliverables, considered to be priorities for the Dorset Coast.



#EnjoytheCoast



#RespectTheCoast



#CoastalInnovation



#CoastalConnection



#CoastalRecovery

Deliverables

- List of deliverables under each objective, following feedback from members
- They are not SMART
- Many have partly been delivered or are in the planning
- The wide range of deliverables will hopefully inspire members to aim for wider benefits

#CoastalRecovery Deliverables

Development and implementation of Local Nature Recovery Strategy Working together to restore and expand habitats, protect, and increase wildlife, combat climate change, and benefit our communities. DCF members are key to the development and delivery of the Local Nature Recovery Strategy in coastal areas.

Enhance existing and create new natural habitats Recent examples include the UK's first super nature reserve in Purbeck, Stour Valley Park and Wild Woodbury in Bere Regis. Identify opportunities to link these areas and create natural 'buffers', and explore the possibility of creating a National Marine Park in Dorset.

Water Quality Improving water quality for the benefit of the environment, wildlife and communities, not only in the sea, but also further up into catchment areas that impact the coast. Greater benefits can be achieved by empowering local communities and working in partnership with water companies, farmers and other key stakeholders. Major structural solutions are long term, therefore open discussion and regularly sharing accessible information on issues, challenges and potential solutions are vital to take everyone on this journey.

Promote sustainable coastal environments and habitats Champion the natural environment, ensuring that people and wildlife on the Dorset Coast benefit from members' projects, activities, and policies.

Sustainable fishing and regenerative farming Working towards a balance between sustainable fisheries and farming with land and sea environments that protect wildlife as well as supporting food production, resilience and links to local communities. Continue to develop local solutions that generate multiple benefits, such as The Poole Clam and Cockle Fishery Partnership Project.

Connecting people to nature Continue to inspire people and communities to learn about, value and act for wildlife. Deliver a range of activities that are accessible for people from all backgrounds and abilities. Importantly, involve young people to learn about their coast, wildlife and employment opportunities that are available in the environment sector, creating 'inspirational leaders' for the future.

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Take #CoastalConnection....

Youth engagement Expanding opportunities for education, citizen science and volunteering ...encouraging young people to understand and value wildlife, historic sites, coastal economies, and our changing coast.

Infrastructure connection Linking coastal paths and wayfinding with wider rights of way networks in towns and villages.

Connecting to Seas and Nature A focus on 'Ocean Literacy' – raising awareness on conservation and sustainable use of our global ocean; and 'Local Nature Recovery Strategy' aiming for wider range of people involved in nature recovery.



Take #CoastalInnovation...

Greening the grey Increasing green spaces in urban areas, benefitting communities and environments e.g., pollinator planting, green roofs, living walls, tree planting and green corridors.

Recognising innovation in its various forms Not just technological, also environmental management, research and monitoring, youth involvement and community decision making.

Investment in & promotion of new technology Support monitoring & research, carbon reduction, climate adaptation, industry, visitor management, comms & engagement.



Get Involved

Deliverables

- Identify ways to support deliverables.
- **Greater benefits achieved** through working together, AND engaging communities.
- DCF can support members to achieve this aim.

Messaging

- Use #objective in communications, on social media, at events and when delivering campaigns.
- Overall aim is to utilise #objectives to **highlight, celebrate and link up work of DCF members.**

How can members utilise and support the Dorset Coast Strategy?



Get Involved

Share data and reports

- Helps to monitor and evaluate **key indicators of challenges and opportunities** of the Dorset Coast.
- Members can recognise the impact of their work and can **identify key gaps**.

Code of Conduct

- By working in partnership and with other members, **messaging can be simplified**.



Finally...

- Think wider benefits – natural environment, communities, wildlife.
- Think outside of comfort zone, be brave and ambitious!
- Work closely in partnership – make things possible.
- Involve stakeholders from the start.
- Lots of challenges ahead, now is the time to get things done!



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