



Future Studland Survey Live – Have your say now!

The Future Studland survey is now live! This is a key step in creating a 20 – 50 year plan for the Studland peninsula. Following successful engagement events with residents in early July the survey is now available to all to take part. Whether you are a local resident, a visitor or someone who holds Studland close to your heart, this is an opportunity to help shape the future of this beloved area. The survey responses will inform the Future Studland plan that will shape the stewardship of Studland's natural beauty and accessibility for future generations.

The survey explores how and when people visit, their connection with its natural landscapes, and how they use the existing facilities. It will build a picture of the peninsula as it is used now and provide insight as to how people would like to continue using it whilst facing the challenges of coastal change.

Elaine Snow from Dorset Coast Forum, who are delivering community engagement for Future Studland and collecting survey responses says:

"Studland's unparalleled natural beauty is at risk due to coastal changes and rising sea levels. The Future Studland engagement project is an opportunity for everyone to share their views before a plan is made. We are keen to collect a wide range of perspectives as possible and encourage anyone with an interest or connection with Studland to take part in our survey."

You can take part in the survey here:

<https://www.dorsetcoasthaveyoursay.co.uk/future-studland/surveys/future-studland-survey>

Also, look out for the Dorset Coast Forum team popping up on Studland beaches throughout August to engage with Studland visitors and encourage them to share their views by taking part in the survey.

Paper copies of the survey are available at the Studland Village Shop and the National Trust Knoll Beach Visitors Centre. Keep an eye on the Future Studland webpage to find out more

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Notes to Editor

The Dorset Coast Forum (DCF) is a Coastal partnership that has been established for almost 30 years and has a wealth of experience in delivering local stakeholder and community orientated projects on issues such as beach safety, marine planning, coastal change, resilience and coastal regeneration. In all of their work, DCF utilises their neutrality, facilitation and engagement experience to deliver highly successful and output orientated projects using the systems thinking approach. In addition, the DCF team's ability to build reciprocal relationships with stakeholders and empower communities to be part of the solution means that the impacts of the projects they coordinate are long lasting.

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Images:



Image 1 – Engagement event, Studland Village Hall July 2024 (Credit – Dorset Coast Forum)



Image 2 – Studland Beach Huts (Credit – Dorset Coast Forum)



Image 3 – South Beach (Credit – Dorset Coast Forum)



Image 4 – Shell Bay (Credit – Dorset Coast Forum / Steve Wallis)