Dorset Coast Forum

# Welcome to the Dorset Coast Forum Conference

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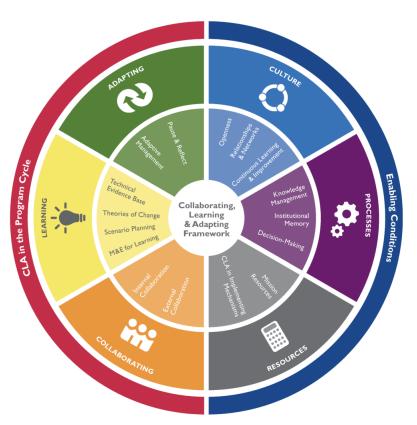
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# Dorset Coast Forum Conference Update 2024

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### Why Coastal Change?



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- DCF in unique position have sight of many coastal projects, work with range of partners and communities.
- Similar challenges, incorporating coastal change into future plans and difficult conversations.
- Coastal change is more rapid more visual.
- A move from 'defend' to 'how do we adapt?'
- In adaptation how do we ensure that communities are part of the process?
- Need to present the bigger picture – policy, funding, opportunities.



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North Swanage, Ian Brown HM Coastguard

### **The Dorset Coast Forum Team**



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### What do DCF do? Core Work

- Dorset Coast Strategy
- DCF Annual Conference
- Regular Enews
- Respond to members queries and make connections.
- DCF websites Share information and provide interactive engagement.



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#### Welcome to Dorset Coast Have Your Say

Dorset Coast Have Your Say is an engagement website for people to share their views on Dorset Coast Forum projects and contribute towards the future of the Dorset Coast.

Register here to hear about new projects

# **Core Work Highlights**

- New web-based Education Hub:
  - Resource for students and teachers
  - Opportunity to increase youth engagement
  - Outdoor classroom days
- New Dorset Coast GIS map Link to Dorset Coast Strategy
- Sell out DCF Annual Conference! Thank-you







**Outdoor Classroom Days** Join us in celebrating Outdoor Classroom Day.

Would you like a career where you can spend time working at the coast?

**Coastal Careers** 

Educational, fun, coastal facts for Primary School children.

**Coast for Kids** 



**Fieldwork Resources** 

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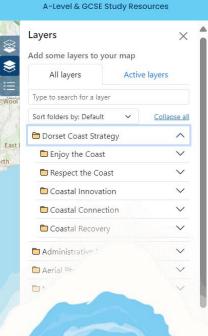
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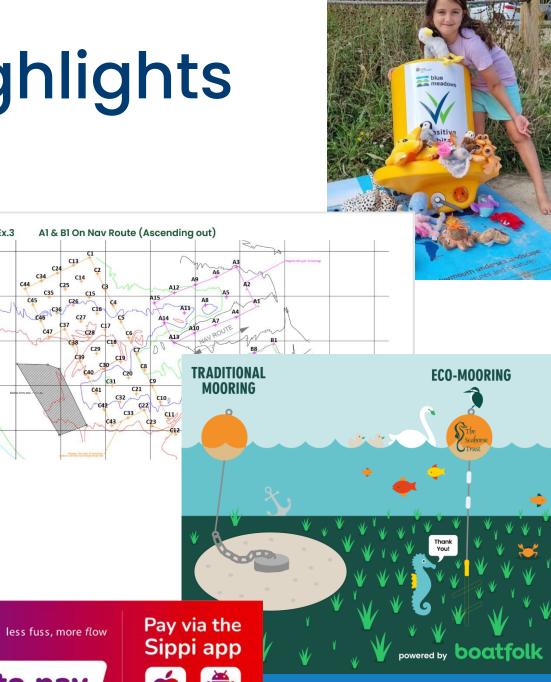
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#### **Studland Bay Marine Partnership**

- Now 87 eco-moorings, funded by FaSS, private sector and Crown Estate.
- Sippi daily payment system.
- VNAZ area marked out by bouys, sponsored by the Ocean Conservation Trust.
- Research and monitoring.
- Creating awareness collaboration between DCF, NT, boat users, volunteers and partners.



#### <u>Future Studland – National Trust Masterplan</u>

- DCF leading on stakeholder and community engagement.
- > 900 completed surveys
- Engagement with visitors, businesses, parish council, residents, beach hut owners and other stakeholders.

#### 'Flooding Swanage with Art'

- Art murals created by local artists, schools & community groups placed on flood defence barriers.
- Brightens the town & significantly increased awareness of impact of sea level rise and flooding.
- Highly Commended at the Flood & Coast Excellence Awards 2024 in the Community Action category!



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WAVE BARRIER ART PROJECT Flooding Swanage with Art

Join local artist Andy Knill for one of our monthly one hour guided Talking Art Walks 11am-12 noon

Meet at Andy's studio AndyKnillArtStudio, Commercial Road, Swanage



Working with communities to promote enhance and protect our coast.

#### **Coastal Transition Accelerator Programme**

- Charmouth and North Swanage
- Exploring and testing innovative opportunities to coastal resilience and adaptation.
- Stakeholder and community engagement is key and DCF are leading on this.
- Both areas face a different set of complex challenges.
- However the concept is the same bringing people together to plan tailored solutions.
- Lessons learned can be shared with other coastal communities.





#### Great Gale 1824 Commemoration

- Touring exhibition Poole, Weymouth, Portland, West Bay & Lyme Regis.
- Sponsored by the EA and BCP Council.
- Showcase of stories and accounts.
- Explores what would happen today?

#### Supporting Flood Defence Plans/Policies

- Swanage, Weymouth, Portland, Chiswell, Lyme Regis and Poole.
- Information sharing, facilitation, enabling residents and businesses to feed into planning.



# Project Support – Next Steps

- Continued support for FCERM teams, existing & new e.g. BCP Cliff Management Strategy
- Submission to HLF for Lyme Regis Cobb surface
  improvements
- CTAP Delivery Phase: N. Swanage & Charmouth
- Continued support for Studland Bay Marine Partnership

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### Project Support – Next Steps

- Marine Nature Recovery
  - Recommendation that coastal partnerships play a key role in marine nature recovery strategies – now led by the MMO
- Working with Fisheries
  - Crucial function in nature recovery
  - Lyme Bay CIC DCF Conference 2025
- Leading stakeholder & community engagement:
  - →Weymouth regeneration plans
  - →Swanage Neighbourhood Plan
  - $\rightarrow$ Swanage green seafront regeneration



### **DCF Project Partners**



- The National Trust
- Dorset Council FCERM Team, Highways, Conservation, Comms
- South West Flood and Coastal
- Marine Maritime Organisation (MMO)
- Swanage Town Council
- Weymouth Town Council
- Portland Town Council
- Swanage Landslide Group
- Charmouth Heritage Centre

- Sailing and boat clubs
- B-side arts company
- The Environment Agency
- Wessex Water
- The Seahorse Trust
- Litter Free Dorset
- Studland Parish Council
- Charmouth Town Council
- Lower Char Community Project
- Swanage artists
- Planet Purbeck

### **Get Involved**

- Share knowledge and learning from today's conference
- Follow up on new connections and new project ideas formed at the conference!
- Help us connect to coastal communities, enabling groups and individuals to Have Your Say <u>Dorset</u> <u>Coast Have Your Say</u>.
- Get in touch if you would like more information dorsetcoast@dorsetcouncil.gov.uk
- Enjoy the Conference!



