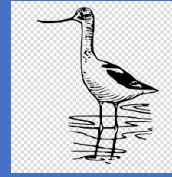


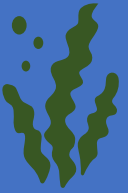
The Solent



Internationally important for recreational boating c. 24,000 moorings. River Hamble, Southampton Water, Cowes and Eastern Harbours key locations



Most of the coastline is covered by a Marine Protected Area designation. Solent Maritime SAC covers 11,325ha. Home to 90,000 waders and wildfowl



The marine and maritime sector accounts for 20.5% of Solent's GVA, providing 40,000 jobs and supporting more than 3,000 businesses

Has a population of more than 1.25 million, hosts two major ports and Portsmouth Naval Base. c. 480 km of coastline

The Solent Forum



Solent Forum has two staff and an independent Chair



Solent Forum staff are part of ETE and hosted by HCC



Staff sit on two national working groups



Undertakes partnership project work, hosts workshops and events. 27 partner meetings attended in 2020



Coordinates the management of 17 activities taking place in the Solent's designated sites



c. 50 members from a wide range of coastal stakeholders



Biannual members conference, 50+ attendees



Two newsletters and 12 e-newsletters produced each year

