

Document	Information provided	Where to find it
<p>National planning policy guidance mainly Planning Policy Statement 9 (PPS9) on Biodiversity And Geological Conservation</p>	<p>Provides guidance to Local Authorities and others on planning policy and the operation of the planning system. Explains the relationship between planning policies and other policies which have an important bearing on issues of development and land use.</p>	<p>www.planningportal.gov.uk Tel ODPM: 020 7944 4400</p>
<p>Planning for Biodiversity and Geological Conservation: A Guide to Good Practice</p>	<p>Offers help and advice to local authorities on how to embrace biodiversity and geological conservation within planning decisions and development.</p>	<p>www.communities.gov.uk/ embedded_object.asp?id=1164843</p>
<p>DEFRA High Level Targets for coastal defence (revised targets, took effect from April 2005)</p>	<p>These are not statutory but produced by Defra to ensure the delivery of Government policy. Target 4 covers biodiversity.</p>	<p>www.defra.gov.uk/envIRON/fcd/hltarget Tel Defra: 08459 33 55 77</p>
<p>Shoreline Management Plan guidance (available since March 06)</p>	<p>This is a "how to" manual setting out the production of SMPs and aims to help review first generation SMPs in order to effectively produce SMP2s.</p>	<p>www.defra.gov.uk/envIRON/fcd/policy/smp.htm Tel Defra: 08459 33 55 77</p>
<p>DEFRA environmental stewardship information</p>	<p>Information to farmers and landowners on the new agri-environmental schemes.</p>	<p>www.defra.gov.uk/erdp/schemes/es/ Tel Defra: 08459 33 55 77</p>
<p>Charting Progress (Defra 2005)</p>	<p>Gives a UK overview of the state of coastal and marine habitats. Also includes information on policy and drivers for action.</p>	<p>www.defra.gov.uk/environment/water/marine/ uk/stateofsea/chartprogress-3.pdf</p>
<p>National biodiversity habitat and species action plans</p>	<p>UK Government's response to the Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD) signed in 1992. Details habitat information and national targets and actions.</p>	<p>www.ukbap.org.uk</p>
<p>English Nature natural area reports</p>	<p>Reports which outline the nature conservation objectives for areas based on the distribution of wildlife and natural features. These have been produced for the marine and terrestrial environment.</p>	<p>www.english-nature.org.uk/ Science/natural/NA_search.asp</p>
<p>Strategic Environmental Assessment and Biodiversity: Guidance for Practitioners (June 2004)</p>	<p>This guidance aims to ensure that biodiversity considerations are appropriately addressed in Strategic Environmental Assessments.</p>	<p>www.rspb.org.uk/ policy/planningpolicy/s_e_a.asp</p>
<p>SEMS Regulation 33 Advice</p>	<p>This document provides English Nature's advice to other relevant authorities as to (a) the conservation objectives and (b) any operations which may cause deterioration of natural habitats or the habitats of species, or disturbance of species for the Solent European marine site. It also gives good habitat descriptions.</p>	<p>www.solentforum.hants.org.uk/ SEMS/publications.html EN Tel: 02380 283944</p>
<p>The Solent European Marine Sites Management Scheme</p>	<p>This is the single scheme of Management for the European Marine Sites in the Solent.</p>	<p>www.solentforum.hants.org.uk/SEMS/ SEMSMgtScheme.pdf</p>
<p>The Nature Conservation Chapter in the Strategic Guidance</p>	<p>Details nature conservation information on the Solent and actions for both the Solent Forum and its members.</p>	<p>www.solentforum.hants.org.uk/ natconsv/sgsnatconsv1.html</p>
<p>Local coastal habitat and species Biodiversity Action Plans in the Solent</p>	<p>These plans outline actions for priority coastal habitats and species in the Solent. They also provide background information on habitat descriptions, threats to habitats/species and current actions.</p>	<p>www.ukbap.org.uk/GenPageText.aspx?id=38 www.hampshirebiodiversity.org.uk/action.html</p>

Biodiversity and Development: Supplementary planning guidance for Hampshire (this is currently at the scoping stage)	This document will help local authorities in Hampshire with the production of their LDFs and Community Strategies.	ecology.group@hants.gov.uk
Solent Forum website	Contains information about core data and GIS datasets collected on the Solent area relating to land-use, habitat, designated areas etc. Searchable by area or topic.	www.solentforum.hants.org.uk/projects/disc.html
English Nature interactive map site	Information on extent, distribution and designation of important habitats in the Solent.	www.natureonthemap.org.uk
Hampshire Wildlife Trust's South East Marine Programme	Provides numerous reports on the habitats and wildlife of the South East marine environment.	www.southeastmarine.org.uk
Hampshire Biodiversity Information Centre	A biological database and GIS layers containing detailed information on habitats and species from over 7,000 sites across Hampshire.	www.hants.gov.uk/biodiversity/hbic
Sussex Biodiversity Record Centre	Contains biological, ecological and environmental data on species, habitats and sites in Sussex	www.sxbrc.org.uk
Harbour and Estuary plans in the Solent	There are a number of harbour and estuary management plans which cover the Solent. These are non-statutory and outline actions and policies for a range of topics.	www.solentforum.hants.org.uk/othercoast/other_coastal_initiatives.htm
Shoreline Management Plans (East Solent, West Solent and Isle of Wight)	The 2nd round of SMPs are due to be produced by 2008. There will be one for the mainland Solent coast and one for the Isle of Wight.	www.solentforum.hants.org.uk/othercoast/other_coastal_initiatives.htm
The Brent Goose Strategy	This Strategy identifies Brent Goose feeding sites in South East Hampshire.	www.hants.gov.uk/biodiversity/hbic
Environment Agency planning policies for Hampshire	The aim of this document is to educate and provide local authority planners with guidance on the Agency's policies both on current and future issues.	Tel: 08708 506 506
Plans for local nature reserves and information on country parks etc	Provide background information on sites and outlines management actions.	The site in question should be contacted directly

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