

Name	Western Solent and Southampton
Venue	NFNPA
Date	11th March (2pm)

<i>Solent Forum</i>	Karen McHugh
SCC	Bernadine Maguire
HCC	
Planner Coast	Toby Ayling Rachael Gallagher
Countryside (Lepe)	Pete Durnell,
SCC	
ecology	Lindsay McCulloch
Flood risk Mgt/Sustainability	Bernadine Maguire
Planning Policy	Graham.tuck
NFNPA	
Ecology	Ian Barker
	Saira Sheldrake
GIS	Andrew Gellet
Planner	Steve Avery
NFDC	
FRM	Andy Colenutt
Planning	Graham Ashworth
Planning policy	Edward Gerry
Countryside	Martin Devine (did not attend but interested)
ABP	Sue Simmonite
HWT	John Durnell
Southern Water	Mike McKeown
Hants Wight Trust Maritime Archaeology and Institute for Archaeology	Virginia Dellino-Musgrave

Agenda

Introduction to SoMaP project Presentation on project objectives, timing and progress. Include a list of all planned stakeholder meetings	Karen McHugh
Marine Planning Presentation Presentation on how the new Marine Planning System is being implemented and over which plan areas and questions	Bernadine Maguire
Stakeholder involvement in Marine Planning Discussion on how stakeholders would like to be involved in the marine planning process. Introduction to questionnaire and ask all to fill in.	Bernadine Maguire
Scoping Marine Planning - Workshop 1 <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Marine Plan Boundaries• Scale of marine planning• Timing and order of plans• Enforcement• Content of a Marine Plan• Channels of Communication	Karen McHugh
Building a policy database – Workshop 2 Using spreadsheet collect top policies by sector and understand hierarchy	Karen McHugh

Stakeholder Participation in Marine Planning

Delegates were asked to complete a questionnaire and these will be analysed separately. The results will be published as part of a separate report on Stakeholder Participation

Workshop 1 – What Aspects of Marine Planning would you like to be consulted on?

What aspects of marine planning would you like to consult on?	
Response	Member
Overall	
Interaction between land use and marine planning	NFDC
Marine Plan Boundaries	HCC
Context of plan	HCC
Marine Conservation Zones	HCC
Criteria for order of plans	HCC
Stakeholder Engagement	HCC
Involved in drafting marine plan policy statements	NFDC
Policies relating to marine ecology and assessment of impacts to designated sites	SCC
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Recreational Access (development/restrictions)	NFNPA
Historic environment offshore and mitigation for developments such as windfarms, dredging areas and pipelines. Will recommend exclusion zones, protocols for archaeological finds, diver inspections, ROV	Hants Wight Trust for Maritime Archaeology
Marine historical assets – consider wealth of knowledge available ie: ALF projects, ALSF/MEPF projects, rapid coastal zone assessments (EH funded)	Hants Wight Trust for Maritime Archaeology
Inshore Nature Conservation Issues (evidence base, SEA/HRA, Interaction with National Park plan and core strategy)	NFNPA
Timing of plans Content of plans Offshore developments Related onshore infrastructure Impacts on coastal processes/environment	NFNPA
Biodiversity evidence base to be used to determine acceptable locations for activities	SCC
Planning related to recreational infrastructure	NFNPA
Dredging activities, changes to licensing process	ABP
Nature conservation designations (proposed) MCZs	ABP
Future development issues for ports and harbours; amendments to planning powers	ABP
Ports and harbour jurisdiction, shipping lanes and movements	ABP
Coastal access	ABP
Ports and Harbours Marine industry Marine Aggregates	SCC
Marine Habitats Offshore renewable energy Coastal defence/engineering	
Non-statutory/statutory spatial data on areas of importance for wildlife	HWT
How will the Habitats Regs Assessment and mitigation be addressed	HWT
Inshore issues – those with impacts on designated sites	HCC countryside

Workshop 2

What are the policy drivers in your work that need to be considered for marine planning?

Conservation and recreation – NFNPA would consider the wider climate change agenda, as well as coastal erosion and more tourists coming to the coast
Intertidal areas, especially designated sites, which have rich habitats. There is a need to access the water across these sites.
Bait digging
Conflicts of use covering all activities
Conflicts between tourism and nature conservation
Coastal access increases as people understand more about the coast
Limitation of Keyhaven as a place for tourists, especially as parking is limited
Zoning of activities to include shipping and harbours. Need consider infrastructure links to land
Harbours – ensure continued access and safe navigation
Size of vessels – they will get bigger
There is no harbour authority in the Western Solent
Marine planning will help harbour authorities. Will formalise the work of the harbour authorities
Sustainability – cutting carbon emissions, land infrastructure links, grid connections. MPS will pick-up on offshore grid connections. Potential of renewable energy
MSFD will set the scene for marine water quality. Will need to soon understand how this Good Environmental Status of water quality will be set
Pollution incidents offshore
Outfalls need desilting/seawalls rebuilding but sometimes this is not allowed as the structure is colonised by nature which people seek to protect
Nature conservation/biodiversity
Legislation
BAP process
Historic environment – preservation/access/impact ie: prehistoric landscapes now under water. How do you draw a line to define boundaries. Rapid Coastal Zone Assessment on EH website is worth looking at. Contacts Peter Murphy at EH, Mark James at NFNPA and Frank Green
Problems of fixed boundaries in a dynamic environment
Ports policy – sustainable use of dredge material
Aggregate and historic – win win situations where aggregate vessels will record historic finds
Improve evidence base
Need integration between land and marine for specific development ie: national grid infrastructure for offshore renewables
Seascape – England’s historic seascape (GIS characterisation programme on the South Coast)
Link up with national park purposes
Recreation
WFD

What policies would you like to see in a Marine Plan?

PPS 15 – final to be published in summer 2010
NPS which impact on the marine environment
Recognise statutory, plus non-statutory protected areas ie: BAP Habitats
Proper ecologically led decisions (spawning, nursery and breeding grounds) Ecosystem perspective
Integrated holistic approach ie: Between natural and historic environment
Evidence base includes hydrology and coastal processes
Contribution to enhancement of environment
Activities which there is currently little control over ie: recreation
S106 approach to marine environment (short term development to fund long term vision)
Spatial strategy, but limited to commercial activity
North Sea Trawling Framework – robust monitoring which should be statutory. Maybe carried out by existing users as currently happens by aggregates and trawling vessels for historic environment
Integration with land use planning, particularly in terms of Sea Level Rise
Another statutory consultee for Local Authorities? Marine Developments who will consent between MLW and MHW
Identify gaps in current policy first before thinking about new policy
Need to reduce and streamline policy - not increase
Start with a bottom up approach
If MPS on Ports is not site specific, the marine plan will need to provide the detail on suitable site – Include broad zones, criteria based
Requirement to ID what funding is available, especially to research sea bed
Marine Planning and ferry movements linking to land infrastructure
Southern Water are very positive about marine planning as it will be useful to give more surety, although it could hamper what Southern Water do
Policies that exempt navigational maintenance issues from licensing as current regime
Policies that safeguard navigational safety and vessel access