

**THE WASH EAST COASTAL MANAGEMENT STRATEGY
STAKEHOLDER FORUM
TERMS OF REFERENCE**

The Wash East Coastal Management Strategy (WECMS)

The requirement for The WECMS was identified in The Wash Shoreline Management Plan 2 (SMP2). It was required to meet the following objectives:

- a) To determine a sustainable approach to flood and erosion risk management for the people, property and environment between Hunstanton Cliffs and Wolferton Creek;
- b) To identify and promote a coastal management approach that balances technical, environmental, economic and social issues for The Wash East frontage;
- c) To improve our knowledge of relevant coastal processes, where necessary, to inform key project decisions and the study completion;
- d) To build on the Pathfinder project to improve public understanding of coastal management issues for Wash East, to gain public support for any changes in approach to coastal management and to pursue possible third party funding mechanisms; and
- e) To identify appropriate responsibility for future coastal management.

The WECMS was approved by the Borough Council of King's Lynn & West Norfolk (BCKLWN) on 29 January 2015 and by the Environment Agency (EA) in July 2015. A Project Team for Unit C was set up by the EA in March 2015.

The role of the Stakeholder Forum

A Stakeholder Forum (SF) will be set up and led by the Borough Council.

The Forum will provide a sounding board to aid delivery of projects and management of issues and risks within the area covered by the strategy (Units A, B and C), Wolferton Creek to Hunstanton Cliffs, and will comprise similar membership to the former WECMS key stakeholder group which included local elected members, conservation groups and other statutory agencies such as Natural England.

Make-up of the Forum

Borough Council of King's Lynn & West Norfolk (Lead)
Environment Agency
East Wash Coastal Management Community Interest Company
Central Regional Flood & Coastal Committee
Norfolk County Council
Hunstanton Town Council
Heacham Parish Council
Snettisham Parish Council
Caravan Site Owners and Operators
Beach Bungalow Owners Associations

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Hunstanton Clifftop Residents Association
Natural England
RSPB
Marine Management Organisation
Landowner representatives
National Farmers Union
Chamber of Trade
Historic England
Norfolk Historic Environment Service
King's Lynn Internal Drainage Board
Anglian Water Services

Terms of Reference

1. To support and contribute to the implementation of projects arising from The Wash East Coastal Management Strategy.
2. To review at key stages the outputs from the WECMS, taking into account local information and issues, including the coastal management options to be assessed and the final recommendations.
3. Work with the relevant authorities to advise on and assist with adaptation initiatives needed to accommodate the effects of climate change.
4. Work with the relevant authorities to seek and secure funding contributions towards initiatives needed to accommodate the effects of climate change.
5. Advise and assist with the communication of information related to the work of the Forum, and initiatives supported by the Forum, to other stakeholders and the wider community.

Interaction between groups

The Funding Group and Stakeholder Forum will operate strategically. Outputs from both groups will feed in to projects at Board level through the BCKLWN representative on the Project Board(s).

Resource Commitment

The SF will meet biannually to receive an update on project progress and/or to provide comment on project consultations.