

East Yorkshire Coast News

Stakeholders brought together to promote community involvement

In touch with your coast

WELCOME to the East Yorkshire Coast News. This is the first instalment of a quarterly issue to provide the public with information on coastal issues in their area. Coast News will provide both current and relevant information with the primary aim being to keep people informed, and also to promote community involvement in coastal issues specific to the East Riding.

THE Integrated Coastal Zone Management (ICZM) aims to establish sustainable levels of social and economic activity in coastal areas while protecting the coastal environment.

It seeks to bring together all relevant stakeholders (including the public) in a way that promotes the integration of their often competing interests and responsibilities.

ICZM is an initiative that has directed coastal policy in the East Riding for several years and is responsible for the development of various projects including the Coastal Observatory website, and "rollback" planning policy to assist caravan parks and homesteads in managing coastal erosion.

Its conception has also led to the establishment of the East Riding Coastal Forum, the ICZM Management Group, and the East Riding ICZM Plan.

The Coastal Forum, formed in 2002, brings together many stakeholders and agencies with an interest and responsibility in the coastal zone to help co-ordinate coastal management in the East Riding.

The East Riding ICZM Plan

"Towards a Sustainable Coast" published in June 2002 was developed to address issues of those that live on, work or visit the East Riding coastal zone and is a major driver in directing policy and practice.

ICZM provides a platform for a more local approach to addressing often complex coastal issues, and seeks to involve the wider coastal community and promote a sense of community ownership.

A thorough review of the East Riding ICZM Plan is under way and is intended to run parallel with and inform the development of the second generation Shoreline Management Plan.

A recent ICZM management group meeting agreed a set of principles that will assist with the progression of the review. One principle described that "the perspectives of all stakeholders must be incorporated into a transparent decision making process with good communication between all stakeholders at all levels of engagement".

Stakeholder consultation will be one of the main drivers of the ICZM review and the Coastal Forum will have a major role to play. A consultation plan for the



ICZM IN THE EAST RIDING OF YORKSHIRE: Seeking to bring together a number of interests including, clockwise from top left: conservation sites at Flamborough and Spurn, fishing, shipping and navigation, and renewable power generation

review is currently been formulated and details of this will be provided in future issues of East Riding News.

Do you have an interest in ICZM and the East Riding coastal zone? Would you like to take part in future Coastal Forum meetings and consultation as part of the

ICZM review?

If so please contact Tom FitzGerald, principal sustainable communities and coastal management officer, community and sustainable development, County Hall, Beverley, HU17 9BA. Tel: (01482) 391718; email: tom.fitzgerald@eastriding.gov.uk



Industry and nature working in harmony

East Riding of Yorkshire Council has recently become members of Humber INCA.

Humber INCA is based at ground-breaking Waters' Edge Business Centre at Barton upon Humber and serves its members and the community by working to integrate nature conservation into business activities in a practical way so that both business and the environment benefits. It is a partnership bringing together industry, planners, environmental regulators and nature conservation organisations.

Tony Edwards, chief executive said: "There is a particular need to help industry to meet its nature conservation obligations, as the Humber estuary is a Site of Special Scientific Interest with further European wildlife protection in the pipeline.

Humber INCA provides specialist advice throughout the Humber region on wildlife for the management of industrial sites and help with the preparation of applications for planning permission and other environmental permits."

Humber INCA also undertakes projects for its members on looking after protected species, such as great crested newts and water voles, found on their land or turning up where developments are planned. Work is in progress on a Yorkshire Forward funded project to develop the Humber Environmental Data Centre. The aim is to provide business and planners with readily available information for environmental impact assessments and strategic planning.

For further information contact Tony Edwards or Darren Clarke on 01652 651523 / 651525 or infor@humberinca.co.uk and see our website: www.humberinca.co.uk

Win a family ticket and vouchers worth £70 to The Deep

For your chance to win a family ticket (two adults, three children) to The Deep, you are asked to design a logo for Integrated Coastal Zone Management (ICZM) in the East Riding. The design will become the recognised logo to promote ICZM in the East Riding of Yorkshire.

The logo should reflect the character and uniqueness of the East Riding coastal zone.

Entry requirements: competition open to age group 18 and under

Closing Date: Friday, July 28.

Send your design, together with your name, and address to: Coastal News competition, East Riding News, Room JF85, County Hall, Beverley, HU17 9BA.

Usual rules apply and the editor's decision is final.



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Shoreline management planning

A Shoreline Management Plan (SMP) provides a large-scale assessment of the risks associated with coastal processes (including erosion) and presents a policy framework to reduce these risks to people and the developed, historic and natural environment in a sustainable manner into the 22nd century. The sole purpose of a SMP is to set policy for coastal defence management.

The East Riding of Yorkshire Council is involved in the development of two separate second generation SMPs: The first is being undertaken by the North East Coastal Authorities Group and led by Scarborough Borough Council and has implications for the council on a small section of coast between Speeton and



Flamborough Head. The draft SMP is shortly to be released for public consultation for a three-month period.

The second SMP is being led by the council and covers an area from Flamborough Head down to Gibraltar Point in Lincolnshire. The preliminary go-ahead has been given from the Department of Food, Environment and Rural Affairs to undertake revision of the first generation SMP, and the council (and its partners within the Humber Estuary Coastal Authorities Group) are currently in the process of procuring consultants to undertake the technical aspects of the work. The public will be kept involved throughout the process of development of the SMP.

East Yorkshire Coastal Observatory



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