

Welcome

Devon

maritime forum

Who are we?

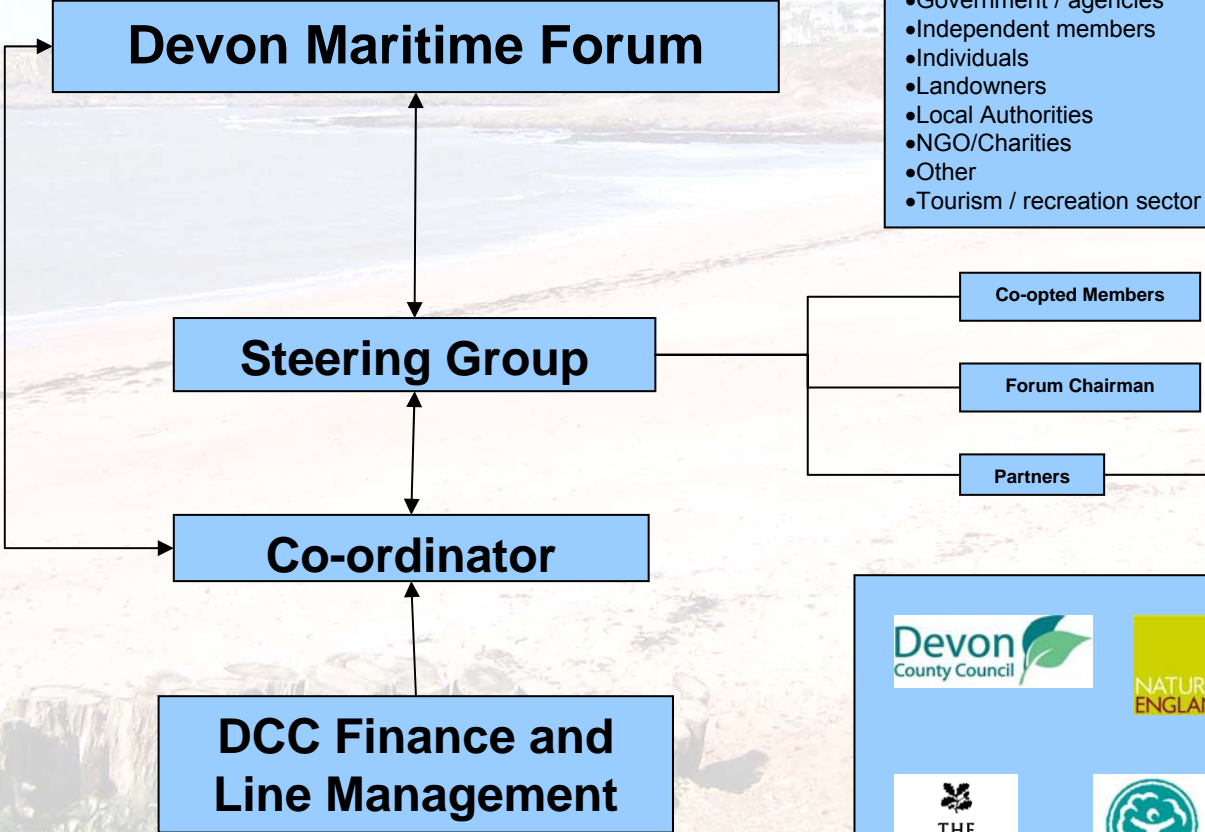
- ▶ **Strategic County-wide Forum – acting as a neutral and honest broker for decision-making**
- ▶ **‘Champions of the sea’**
- ▶ **Raising awareness**
- ▶ **Facilitating communication**
- ▶ **A coherent ‘voice’ – acting as advocates**

Why were we formed?

- ▶ A key partnership for organisations with a stake in the coast
- ▶ Formed 2005 – guiding and coordinating cross-sectoral collaboration
- ▶ Better address challenges by working together
- ▶ A need for balance across sectors in light of the Marine Bill and EU ICZM

Who are we?

- Local, regional and national stakeholders:**
- Academic
 - Landscape and culture
 - Associations
 - Businesses
 - Charities
 - Consultants
 - Educators
 - Fishing
 - Government / agencies
 - Independent members
 - Individuals
 - Landowners
 - Local Authorities
 - NGO/Charities
 - Other
 - Tourism / recreation sector



Logos of partner organizations:

- Devon County Council
- Natural England
- Wildlife Trusts
- Devon University
- The National Trust
- South West Water

What are our aims?

- ▶ **Sustainable resource use on our coasts and seas**
- ▶ **Balance of economic, social and environmental interests**
- ▶ **Diverse, thriving and sustainable coastal economies that are supported by ecosystems in their optimal conditions**
- ▶ **A raised awareness of marine and maritime concerns**
- ▶ **Placing marine and coastal issues at the heart of policy and decision-making in Devon and Nationally**

What Services do we offer?

► Communication and awareness raising

- Workshops and symposia delivering networking events
- Up-to-date website as a one-stop-shop
- Regular updates on issues of local, regional and national importance
- Advocacy role

► Point of contact

- Managing database of contacts
- Access to store of information
- Information exchange with national and international bodies
- Objective information to stakeholders

► Integration of planning and policy

- Stakeholder participation opportunities
- Strategic overview of new legislation – impacts on Devon
- Lobbying at regional and national levels
- Identifying and filling information gaps
- Participating in relevant steering and management groups

Learning from the DRN

- ▶ **Building a successful network**
- ▶ **Building consensus**
- ▶ **Proofing legislation**
- ▶ **Expanding the partnership**

Working with the DRN

- ▶ **Co-operating to promote joined-up thinking across marine and terrestrial sectors**
- ▶ **Influencing the DSP and LAA**
- ▶ **Sharing resources and best practice**
- ▶ **Facilitating stakeholder dialogue**

What people say about us:

“Marine South West believes the Devon Maritime Forum to be a vital communication tool for the county’s marine sector. The aim of a joined-up approach will hopefully achieve the networking of the various sub-sectors of the maritime community”.

Adam Corney – Marine South West.

“As a developer I very much appreciate the work the Devon Maritime Forum because it allows us all to learn about the different interests at play and to put forward points of view in an informal way.”

Michael Huntigford – Farm Energy.