



National Trust – supporting marine conservation





NT involvement in coastal and marine conservation

- Enterprise Neptune – Coastline Campaign
- 2006: Coast and marine policy
- Coast 2015 – 50 years on
- Coastal adaptation strategies
- Coastal path and public access
- Input to marine planning process
- MOU with MCS



778 miles of coast (10% of GB and NI coast)
Over 200 coastal properties



Marine assets

- Over 200 properties adjacent to shoreline
- Some properties with significant seabed: e.g. N. Norfolk coast; Newtown Harbour (IOW); Sandwich and Pegwell (Kent)
- Intertidal saltmarsh & mud flats
- Seabird and seal colonies





NT properties in north-east

Property	Coast km	Seabed ha	
Lindisfarne Castle	0.9	0.4	
Farne Islands	9.6	11.3	Foreshore leased off TCE
Seahouses	2.8	31.9	
Tughall Mill			
Dunstanburgh and Newton Coast	10.1	13.5	Parts of foreshore leased off TCE
Alnmouth	0.9	0.2	
Druridge Bay	1.6	0.4	



NT's marine role

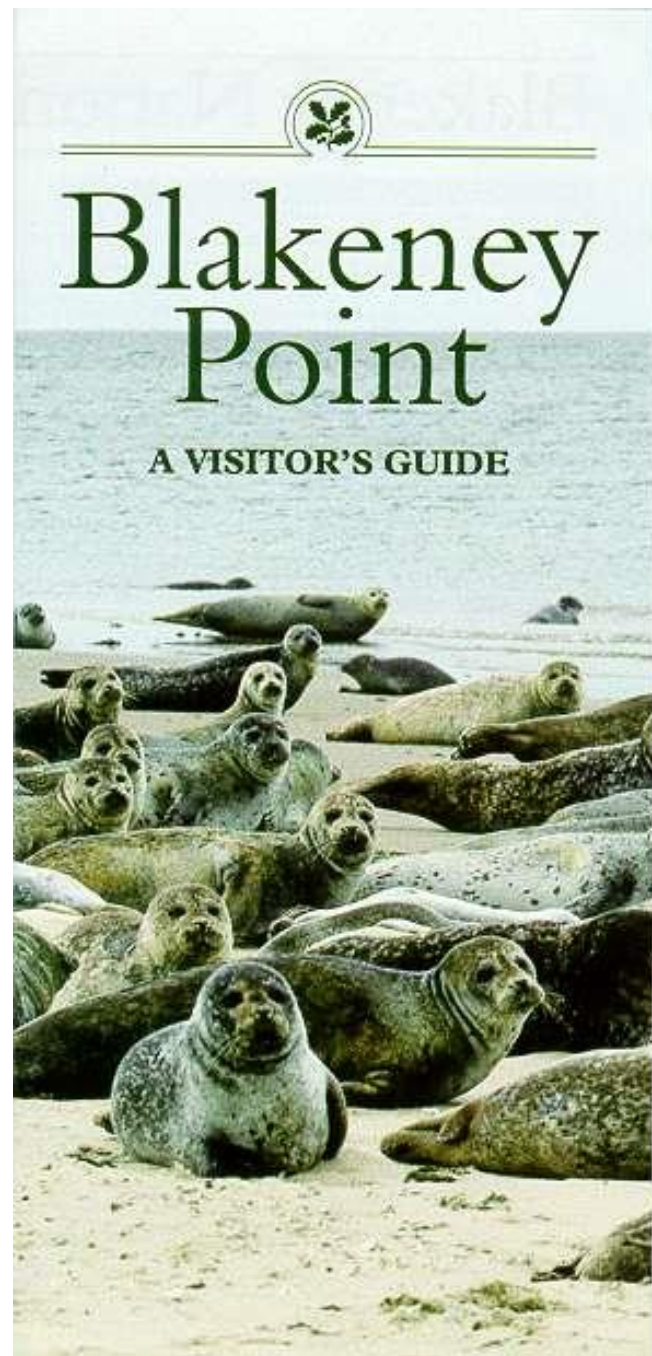
1. Survey and monitoring
2. Support management and designation of MPAs
3. ICZM and good land management
4. Provide marine technical advice to properties
5. Raise awareness and provide interpretation and education





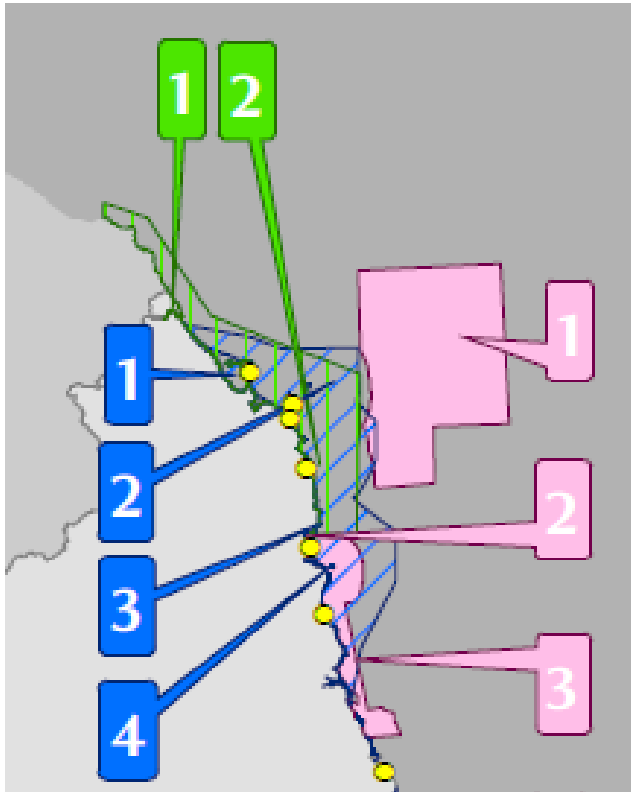
NT and MPAs

- c.120 properties overlap/adjacent to SACs/SPAs
- 45 properties overlap/adjacent to MCZs
- 27 properties overlap/adjacent to pMCZs or proposed extensions of MCZs
- Management involvement at several MPAs e.g. Lundy, Strangford Lough, Blakeney





National Trust and MPAs



MPA	NT property
Northumbria Coast SPA	Lindisfarne Seahouses Tughall Mill Dunstanburgh & Newton Coast
Northumberland Marine SPA	Lindisfarne Farne Islands Seahouses Tughall Mill Dunstanburgh & Newton Coast
The Farne Islands SPA	Farne Islands
Berwickshire and North Northumberland Coast SAC	Lindisfarne Farne Islands Seahouses Tughall Mill Dunstanburgh & Newton Coast
Aln Estuary MCZ	Alnmouth
Coquet to St Mary's MCZ	Alnmouth Druridge Bay



Farne Islands Vision

- Stakeholder days – feedback, contributions, issues discussed
- Formulated ambitions & objectives for:
 - Infrastructure
 - Research & monitoring
 - Conservation
 - Visitor experience & communications
 - Future funding & resourcing
 - Relationship with the mainland community



Farnes – progress to date

- Archive group – advertising volunteer roles in 2018
- ‘Wishlist’ of conservation questions for student projects
- Trialled drone monitoring in winter 2017
- New visitor interpretation - short term
- Visitor management long-term - creating flow plan
- Final vision to be completed and shared internally before meetings with other partners



Survey and monitoring

- Focus on marine priority habitats and species, and seabirds and seals
- Establish baseline – what seabed/habitats is NT responsible for?
- Training of NT rangers and volunteers in intertidal monitoring e.g. Capturing our Coast
- Partnerships with others e.g. MCS, Wildlife Trusts





Recreation and access

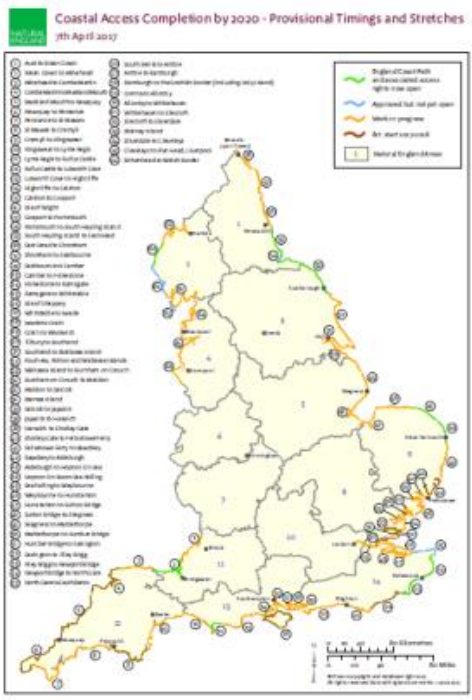
- Anchoring and mooring
- Trails and interpretation
- Codes of conduct
- Improving/controlling access – Coastal Connections project



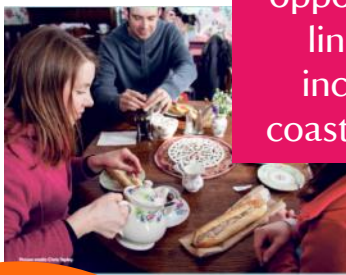
The catalyst... Coast paths

Part 2. The opportunity... Making it more than just a path

Identifying new or enhanced income-generation and fundraising opportunities linked to increased coastal access



Habitats
Using the coastal corridor to create new and linked habitats around our shores



Enhancing access

- Creation of additional spreading room
- Loop and link walks
- Thinking about the accessibility of our coastal sites, for everyone



Cultural heritage
Conserving and interpreting built heritage and telling hidden stories along the coast path

- Supporting Natural England in the creation of the England Coast Path
- Training and sharing of experience
- Advocacy, marketing and comms





Beach clean-ups and pollution

- Input through Wildlife Link - policy development
- Marine pollution contingency plans for each NT beach
- Beach clean ups
- Plastic recycling initiatives





Interpretation and awareness raising



"I don't know why I don't care about the bottom of the ocean, but I don't."

- Lack of "ocean literacy"
- NT members, visitors and access
- Opportunities - Wembury, Lundy, Birling Gap, Farnes etc





Thank you!

