

Annual Members Survey 2021

9 Responses

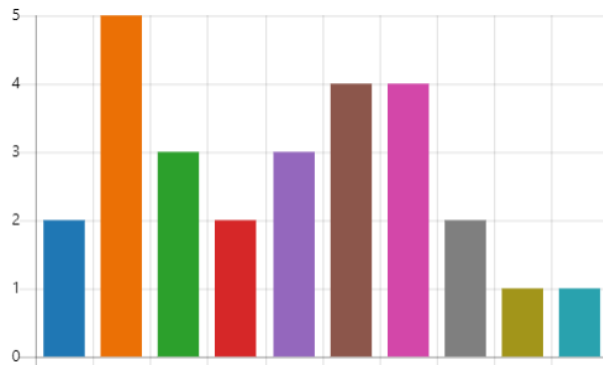
1. Current most important coastal and marine area of work:

Ecological enhancement
Offshore wind
Built habitat construction/eco-engineering research & development. Core consultancy work with developers. Biosphere team.
Recreational Mitigation
Mitigation
Seagrass Restoration
Fawley Waterside developments
Flood & Coastal Capital Programme
Water Quality

2. Which category(ies) does this work area come under, please tick all those that apply:

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- Fisheries and aquaculture 2
- Habitats and species 5
- Water Quality and catchment ... 3
- Cultural and heritage (includin... 2
- Coastal settlements and trans... 3
- Ports, harbours and shipping 4
- Marine industry 4
- Flood and coastal erosion risk ... 2
- Military and defence 1
- Other 1



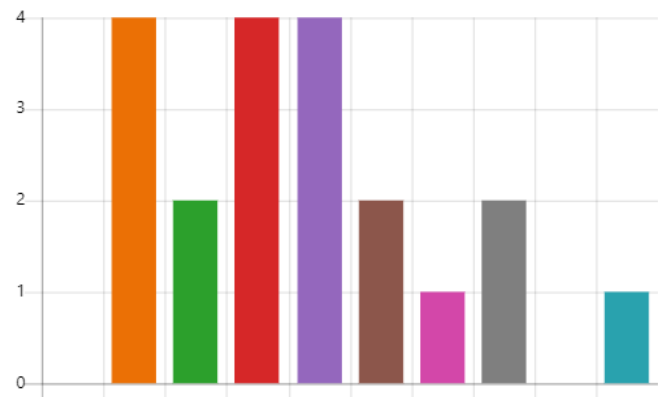
3. Second most important coastal and marine area of work:

Preventing plastic pollution
Nature Based Solutions
As well as practical delivery of projects to enhance biodiversity, we work on the public engagement with marine and coastal wildlife through a programme of free natural science and arts events - people, wildlife, place!
Behaviour change
Flood risk/sea level rise & climate change
Impacts of eutrophication
River Itchen at Southampton - future plans
Regulating water quality discharges
Coastal Erosion

4. Which category(ies) does this work area come under, please tick all those that apply:

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- Fisheries and aquaculture 0
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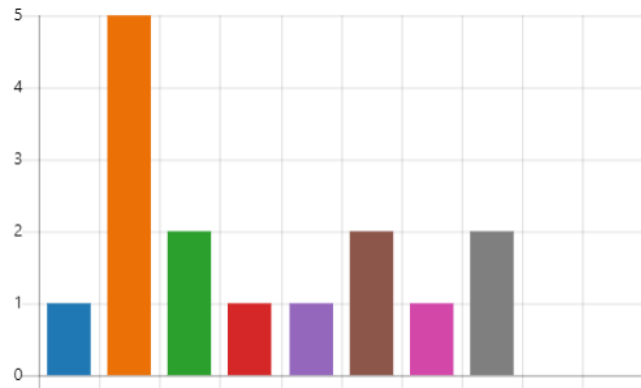
5. Third most important coastal and marine area of work:

Net gain
Ports & harbours
Coastal habitat restoration - soft landscaping, rewilding of public realm
Marine related employment and water access
Intertidal fisheries
Restoring Estuarine & Coastal Habitats
Functionally Linked Land (Habitat Regulations)

6. Which category(ies) does this work area come under, please tick all those that apply:

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- Military and defence 0
- Other 0



7. Please detail any existing coastal and marine partnership working that you are involved with in the Solent. Please provide links to the work if available.

Catchment partnerships - Test and Itchen and New Forest
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Bournemouth University, Marineff project, Bay Coastal Team, Solent Forum (Biodiversity in Built Environment Hub) etc.
Bird Aware Solent if a Partnership in it's own right. www.birdaware.org
SLEP, Bird Aware, Development Plans Group, Solent Forum, Hants CC Flood and Water Management Technical Delivery Group.
We are collaborating with the REMEDIES project and HLOWWT, and are just exploring collaborating with other coastal habitat restoration projects in the area e.g. BLUE.
Work with multiple organisations: Natural England, Environment Agency, IFCA's, Blue Marine Foundation.
Solent Gateway (SGL) at Marchwood Port is part of the Solent Freeport and Fawley Waterside Partnership.
Hurst to Lymington Strategy; Regional Habitat Compensation Programme; EA/NE Restoring Estuarine & Coastal Habitat Plan; Chichester Harbour Protection & Recovery of Nature Initiative; Local Nature Partnerships; Local Plan reviews; Water Quality Permit review and compliance; WFD Catchment Partnerships; IFCA Conservation Management of migratory fish and shellfish; Solent Oyster Restoration Project; Coastal Partners sea defence enhancements at Portsmouth & Southsea; Hamble saltmarsh and oyster restoration; Medina Estuary saltmarsh restoration; Chichester Harbour saltmarsh restoration; Farlington Marshes Flood Alleviation Scheme; Itchen Estuary Flood Alleviation Scheme; Thorney Island MOD habitat creation; Coastal Group Shoreline Management Plan refresh; Local Enterprise Partnership; Sussex Marine & Coastal Fora; Blue Integrated Restoration; Green Halo; Boating & Water Quality CoP.

8. Are there any areas of your work where you would like to develop partnership working with others in the Solent?

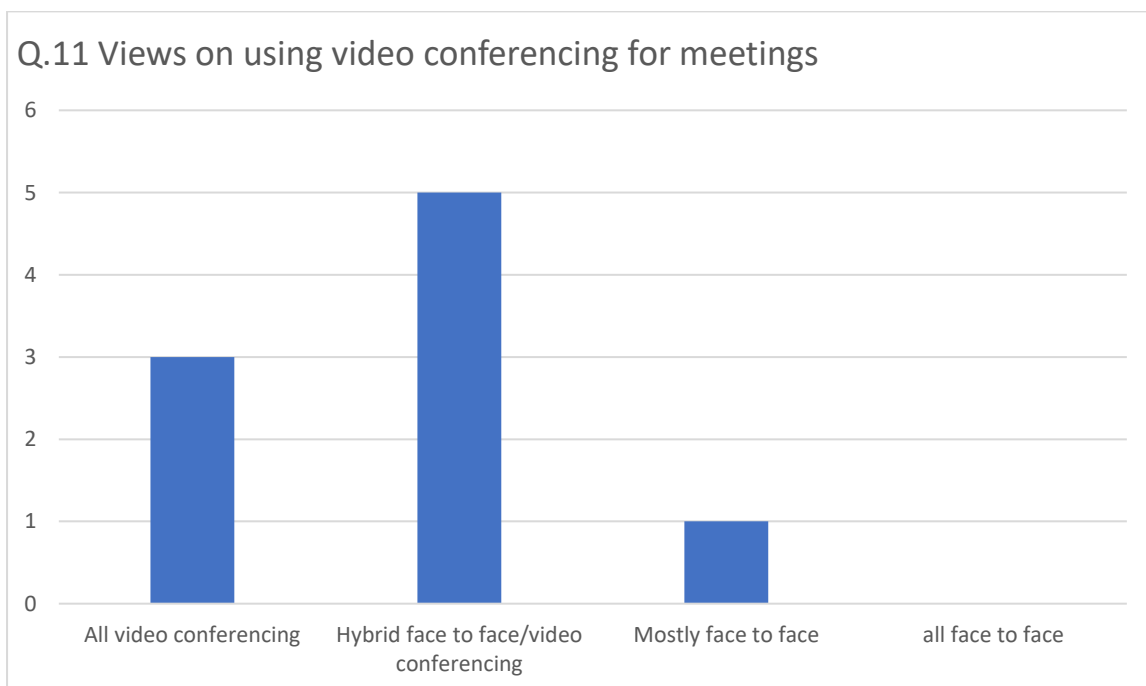
Industry partnerships - Solent LEP
Nature Based Solutions - we are already working to some extent with UoP and are aware of the work Blue Marine are taking forward.
Yes - opportunities to enhance biodiversity both along the coast and into Solent cities. Public engagement with this.
Always looking to work in Partnership with any relevant stakeholders.
We would be interested in collaborating with all agencies having an interest in coastal habitat restoration in the Solent.
Natural capital and valuing recreational/cultural/health services from coastal ecosystems.
We are keen to engage on green innovation and how SGL can support the sustainable energy generation industry.
Nature Recovery Networks, Local Authority Biodiversity Net Gain; Blue Carbon & Off-setting; ELMs & Farming Protected Landscapes - farmers/landowners in the coastal fringe; Natural Capital.

9. Please detail any coastal or marine policies, strategies, research projects, plans or events that are likely to be published/launched during 2020/21.

Launch of PPP legacy hub.
Continuing research & development into coastal habitat creation (Marineff and BU), events will include Discovery Bay and Hullabaloo in Sandown Bay and Under the Pier in Ryde.
Results of Winter 2020/21 Monitoring work (this was scaled back this year, due to COVID restrictions).
Isle of Wight Council Island Planning Strategy draft for public examination provisionally 2022.
We hope to be collecting the data from a National recreational fishing event in July. Forty boats and about 120 anglers. We will collect fish, location data.
SGL will be submitting a planning application in Jul 21 for the development of Marchwood Port. This will seek to make greater efficiency and effectiveness out of the already operational port but developing undeveloped areas and improving surfaces within the port.
Greening the Grey - Hamble, Portsmouth, Southsea.

10. Please give your thoughts on the Solent Forum’s current organisational arrangements, publications and events this year (please consider in your response challenges such as Covid-19, climate change considerations and any other external challenges).

I think the Solent Forum's Kate and Karen are doing a brilliant job!
You provide a very important hub of information and a centre point for co-ordinating activities.
I'm new to the Forum so am insufficiently familiar to comment.
I am new to the Solent Forum so it is difficult to comment. I will be in a stronger position to comment in next year's annual survey.
We are satisfied with the organisational arrangements, publications and events.



12. Please can you provide any further details about your preference for Solent Forum meetings, including how these may vary by meeting type: i.e.: Members Meetings, Other types of meetings

Working meetings should be online. Workshops in person.
I think Zoom worked well but it's great to see everyone and the Forum's are brilliant for catching up and networking.
I find Teams meetings to be far more successful than Zoom ones. My preference would be that the majority of meetings continue in a virtual format.
In terms of efficient use of resources virtual meetings are better for me, using a Microsoft Teams format.
I see the cost/travel benefits of zoom meetings, but some face to face is really important to be able to access the 3rd space (coffee conversations).
Ensure diversity and inclusion in groups/meetings. Younger voice needed.

13. Responding Organisations

ABPmer
Arc Consulting Isle of Wight and Artecology
Bird Aware Solent
Isle of Wight Council
WWF/Seagrass Ocean Rescue
University of Portsmouth
Solent Gateway (SGL) at Marchwood Port
Environment Agency
Havant Borough Council