



# North East Kent Marine Protected Area (NEKMPA)



working with people  
for coastal wildlife

## Why is it important?

The NEKMPA is internationally important for marine life associated with the chalk reef, cliffs, sea caves, sandy bays, shingle beaches and lagoons.

The coastline represents 12% of Europe's coastal chalk including Britain's longest continuous stretch of coastal chalk

The NEKMPA includes Kent's largest National Nature Reserve, significant roost sites for wintering and breeding birds and a seal colony.

## Research on the NEKMPA

The NEKMPA Advisory Group invites undergraduates and postgraduates to undertake research projects related to the Thanet coast and marine environment.

We are currently collating a range of potential research projects that will be listed in the future on the website:

[thanetcoast.org.uk/research/](http://thanetcoast.org.uk/research/)

To find more out about carrying out a scientific marine project on the NE Kent coast please email: [thanet.coast@thanet.gov.uk](mailto:thanet.coast@thanet.gov.uk)



# Thanet Coast Project

Aims to:

- **Raise awareness of the important marine and bird life** *and how to avoid damaging them*
  - **Work with local people to safeguard coastal wildlife** *and implement the Management Scheme action*
  - **Encourage and run wildlife related events** *and make links with wildlife, green tourism, coastscape and the arts*
  - **Be a focal point for enquiries & gathering information** *on coastal wildlife & environmental issues*
- & Keep everyone informed with progress** *through various means - website, articles, newsletter, stakeholder workshops.*

**DID YOU KNOW?** 🐦 Thanet's coast is internationally & nationally important for its bird & marine life.

🐦 You can volunteer as a 'Coastal Warden' to help safeguard our coast. 🐦 An online notification of School Beach Visits includes advice to assist your beach experience. 🐦 Groups can help: use our online Beach clean notification and borrow equipment to run your own clean! 🐦 Family exploratory Tracker Packs can be hired from Visitor Information Centres..



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