

**Coastal Forum Environment Working Group Meeting  
12 October 2006 – Cleveland Potash Mine, Boulby**

**PRESENT**

Peter Barfoot (Head of Advisory, NYMNPA)  
John Beech (Coastal Projects Officer, NYMNPA)  
Rona Charles (Senior Ecology Officer, NYMNPA)  
Graham Lee (Senior Archaeological Conservation Officer, NYMNPA)  
David Pybus (Cleveland Potash)  
Graham Megson (NYCC)  
Zoe Cooper (Cleveland Potash)

**APOLOGIES**

Neil Redfern (English Heritage), Robbie Fisher (Natural England), Neil Camping (Heritage Unit, NYCC)

**MINUTES OF LAST MEETING**

Seascapes project - historic landscape characterisation of the coast and sea area. This will involve mapping pipelines, anchorages, main routes etc at a scale of 250m pixels

North East Maritime Archaeological Archive funding has been approved by English Heritage – Tees Archaeology will be running the project - area covered comes down as far as Whitby.

**COASTAL BAP PROGRESS**

Shell fish leaflet – intertidal fisheries code of conduct – still to be redrafted. Giles and Robbie to edit leaflet or consider splitting into more than one leaflet to address minimum size complexities (as done by the Thanet Coast Project). **Action – JB.**

**Action - JB to circulate targets for coastal slope, intertidal and marine actions.**

**Action - the BAP Group (JB, RC, GM, RF) to priorities actions. Consider responsibilities for actions at next meeting.**

**MARINE BILL**

Defra is not likely to legislate on basis of the consultation results but will be producing a draft bill, forecast for next year.

**INTERTIDAL SURVEY**

ZC has started a resurvey of the Robin Hood's Bay Sensitive Marine Area.

Intertidal transects – JB suggested sequence of intertidal transects along the coast with training for local people in survey techniques. Need to develop a brief for survey, a means of data storage and a programme of resurvey. CPL have a phase 1 habitat survey of intertidal area and are hoping to put this into the public domain.

***Action – BAP Group to consider methodology, storage of data etc and develop a brief (and an estimate of cost).***

## **RAPID COASTAL ZONE SURVEY**

Survey now underway for the north east coast – will end at Whitby where the Yorkshire survey will start – currently finalising brief for Yorkshire survey

## **ARCHAEOLOGICAL ACTION PLAN FOR THE COAST**

GEL will be meeting Neil Campling to discuss this. There is already a research framework for the Thames estuary which could inform the methodology.

## **COASTAL LANDSCAPE ASSESSMENTS**

Four done – DP offered to scan – **Action: to be circulated to Group**

## **UPDATES FROM PARTNERS**

At the Coastal Forum Officers Group meeting on 8th September it was agreed that the Strategy and Action Plan for the Heritage Coast should be reviewed. PJB and JB will be starting this process.

Comments from Forum Groups – **Action: JB and PJB to consider report to Forum Officers and Forum Executive Groups**

CPL have just embarked on another 3 years study with Durham University on coastal erosion and land deformation. Probably involve 1 PhD student and 3 MScs.

Interpretative boards – **Action: JB to find out what has happened to the Boulby board which should be the next priority.**

## **ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

## **NEXT MEETING**

Am 26 April 2007 – in York