

North East Kent Coast Research Conference

9.30 am – 4.00 pm, 25 November 2008
Burgundy Room, Pfizer Sports and Social Club,
Ramsgate Road, Richborough CT13 9NJ

PROGRAMME

9.30 – 10.00am	Arrive, registration and refreshments
10.00	Welcome and opening remarks Dr Geoff Meaden, <i>Chairman, NE Kent Scientific Coastal Advisory Group</i> Cllr Roger Latchford OBE, <i>Deputy Leader, Thanet District Council.</i>
Session 1.	<u>Algal and Shellfish</u> (Chair: Ingrid Chudleigh)
10.10 – 10.30	Reviewing biotopes in Botany Bay Ian Tittley, <i>Natural History Museum, London</i> Bryony Chapman, <i>Kent Wildlife Trust, Maidstone</i>
10.30 – 10.50	Green algae around Thanet – friend or foe! Martin Wilkinson, <i>Heriot-Watt University, Edinburgh</i>
10.50 – 11.10	Pacific oysters distribution within the inter-tidal zone Willie McKnight, <i>Thanet Coastal Warden</i>
11.10 – 11.30	Problems with shellfish production in North East Kent John Bayes, <i>Seasalter Shellfish (Whitstable) Limited</i>
11.30 – 11.50am	Refreshment break – network & view posters/displays
Session 2.	<u>Marine Protection</u> (Chair: Tony Child)
11.50 – 12.10	The CHARM 2 project - towards an 'ecosystems approach' to managing the local marine area Geoff Meaden, <i>Canterbury Christ Church University</i>
12.10 – 12.30	Marine Protected Area network - the 'Eastern Channel 'Marine Conservation Zones' project Ingrid Chudleigh, <i>Natural England</i>
12.30 – 13.30am	Lunch
Session 3.	<u>Pegwell Bay</u> (Chair: Ian Tittley)
13.30 – 13.50	Effects of Spartina clearance in Pegwell Bay Martin Griffiths, <i>D.I.C.E. University of Kent</i> Jason Mitchell, <i>Kent Wildlife Trust, Sandwich & Pegwell NNR</i>
13.50 – 14.10	Metals concentrated within the sediments of Pegwell Bay Jim Small, <i>Canterbury Christ Church University</i>
14.10 – 14.30	The Pegwell Bay chalk erosion project Mike Humber, <i>Thanet District Council</i>
14.30 – 14.45am	Refreshment break – network & view posters/displays

Session 4.	<u>'Conversation with the Sea'</u>
14.45 – 15.45	An open group discussion led by an artist, scientist and fisherman about the state of our fisheries. Stephen Melton, <i>Meltdowns, Ramsgate</i> Geoff Meaden, <i>Canterbury Christ Church University</i> Dave Hancock, <i>Fishing boat owner, Herne Bay</i>
15.45pm	Closing remarks Ian Tittley, <i>Natural History Museum, London</i>
16.00	Close of conference