

The weather will soon be improving and it will be time to strike out further with your trusty hound to enjoy the sunshine and discover the delights of the Thanet Coast, which will become part of the England Coast Path in 2016. If you live near Ramsgate you have the wonderful Sandwich and Pegwell Bay National Nature Reserve on your doorstep, home to internationally important populations of waders and wildfowl and other spectacular wildlife.

Dog owners know how important it is to keep their pets safe and healthy and it's also important to do the same for the birds and special wildlife living along the coast. Come and learn more about how you can play your part in keeping the wildlife in your bay safe and healthy, too.

We will be holding the following Doggie Pit Stop events between 9am and noon on:

Friday 11 March - Viking Ship Hugin Picnic Site, Cliffs End, Ramsgate (CT12 5JB)

Saturday 12 March - Lookout Café, Government Acre, Royal Esplanade, Ramsgate

These will help you and your dog tune up your knowledge about Doggy Dos and Don'ts, find out about local green spaces to walk your dog, get tips on helping to improve your dog's behaviour and, of course, there will be free doggy treats as a reward.

Please also join us for a fascinating guided walk along the coast from Pegwell Bay Country Park to West Cliff, Ramsgate 2.30 – 4.30pm on Saturday 12th March to meet other dog walkers, learn about the amazing local wildlife and how you and your dog can help to protect it (meet at the Country Park car park at 2.15pm). Why not become a Voluntary Warden? More information can be found at www.nekmpa.org.uk.

These events are brought to you by Natural England, Kent Wildlife Trust, Thanet District Council and the Thanet Coast Project

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Guided Walk at Pegwell Bay

Pegwell Bay Country Park to West Cliff, Ramsgate (meet at 2.15pm at the Country Park car park, stout foot-ware and warm/waterproof clothing recommended)

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