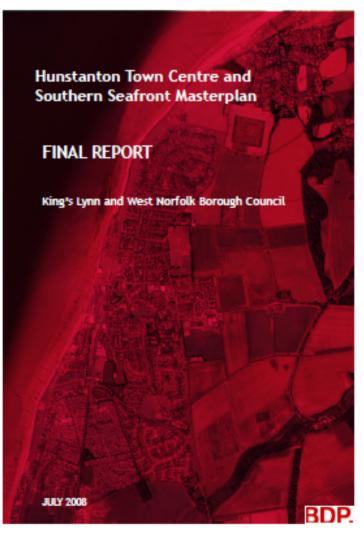


# **Hunstanton Prosperity Coastal Community Team**

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# Background



- An active town expand the existing water sports and activities offer
- A local town which meets the needs of its residents with an expanded retail core
- A more attractive seaside destination – where visitors stay longer and spend more
- A town that respects its heritage whilst looking to the future
- An environmental town making the most of the town's natural assets

## **Role of Coastal Community Teams**



The overall aims of Coastal Community Teams are to:

- encourage greater local partnership working
- Support the development of local solutions to economic issues
- establish a network of teams across England
- encourage the sustainable use of heritage/cultural assets to provide both a focus for community activities and enhanced economic opportunities.

## Membership

Borough Council Portfolio Holder for Regeneration

Ward members for Hunstanton (3)

County Council Elected member for Hunstanton

Town Council 3 representatives

Chamber of Trade 2 representatives

**Hunstanton Town Team** 

West Norfolk Tourism Forum

West Norfolk Caravan and Camping Site Operators

Hunstanton Civic Society

Hunstanton In Bloom Committee

Youth Group

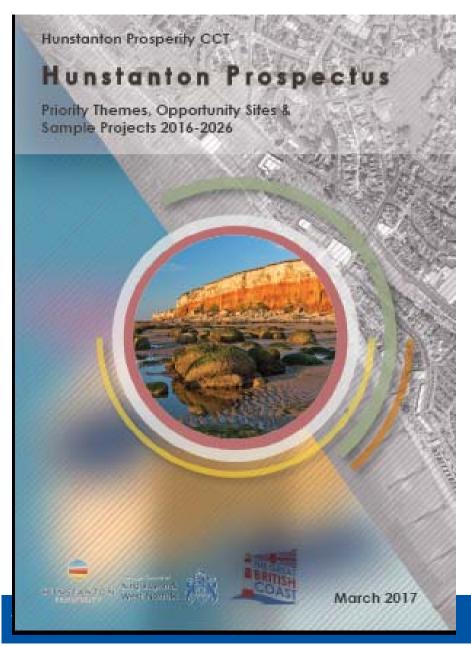
**Hunstanton Round Table** 

**Hunstanton Rotary Club** 

**Hunstanton Lions** 



### **Hunstanton Prosperity Coastal Community Team**



#### Work to date:

- Economic Plan
- Hunstanton Prospectus (Masterplan update)
- Visitor Survey

All available to view at <a href="https://www.west-norfolk.gov.uk/">www.west-norfolk.gov.uk/</a>
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#### **Priority Themes**

- 1. Tourism, Leisure & Events
- 2. Heritage & Environment
- 3. Employment & Services
- 4. Transport & Movement
- 5. Development Sites





# **Visitor Survey**

- Conducted May September 2016
- Staying visitor survey

1465 self completion surveys by visitors to accommodation

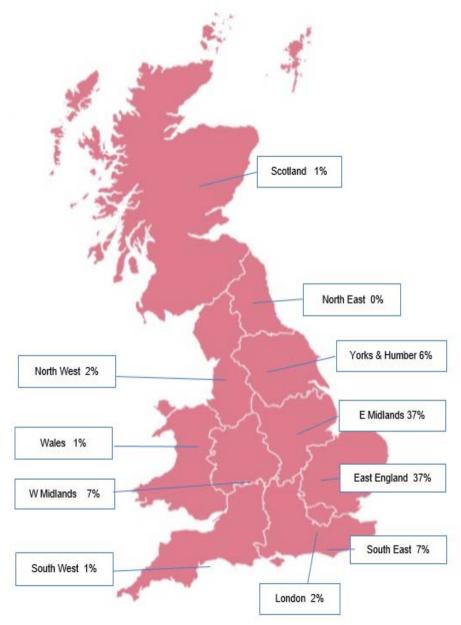
Day visitor survey

480 interviews conducted at 3 locations on 8 dates.

Observation survey

visitors to The Green & Esplanade Gardens (7899 observations)

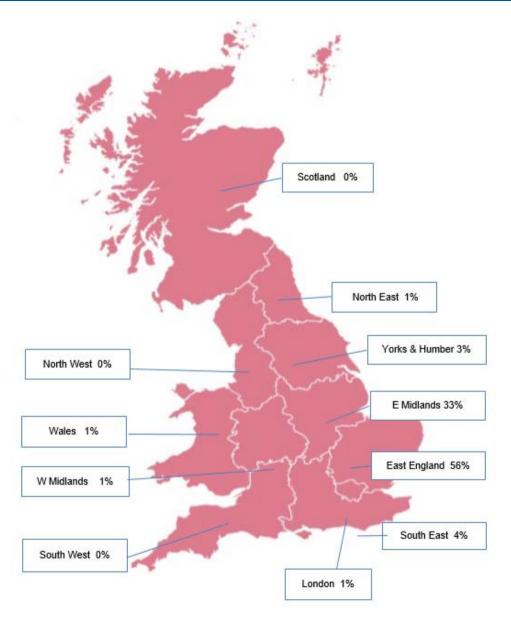




# Home origin of staying visitors by region

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Table 8: County of origin	Percentage
Northamptonshire	9%
Leicestershire	9%
Cambridgeshire	8%
Norfolk	7%
Nottinghamshire	6%
Suffolk	6%
Lincolnshire	6%
Essex	6%
Hertfordshire	4%
Derbyshire	3%
Bedfordshire	3%





## Origin of day visitors

Table 14: County of origin	Percentage
Norfolk	22%
Cambridgeshire	22%
Northamptonshire	17%
Lincolnshire	7%
Leicestershire	5%
Bedfordshire	4%
Suffolk	4%
Essex	3%
Nottinghamshire	2%
Derbyshire	2%
Other	2%

14% of day tippers lived within 20 miles of Hunstanton

## Perceptions of Hunstanton 3 words to describe Hunstanton Staying visitors



# **Perceptions of Hunstanton**

3 words to describe Hunstanton Day visitors



### What visitors most like

#### **Staying visitors**

- Beach
- Friendly people
- Promenade
- Gardens

#### **Activities**

- Visiting promenade
- Enjoying the beach
- Eating out

#### **Day visitors**

- Beach
- Friendliness
- Cleanliness
- Takeaway food

#### **Activities**

- Walking
- Eating out
- Visiting beach

# Dislikes expressed

#### **Staying visitors**

- 1. Need to upgrade promenade and amusements.
- 2. Cost & availability of car parking.
- 3. Limited range of food outlets.
- 4. Noise & mess from dogs and seagulls.
- 5. Limited shopping.
- 6. Congestion getting to resort
- 7. Limited opening hours
- 8. Lack of seafront facilities

#### **Day visitors**

- 1. Cost & availability of car parking.
- 2. Congestion getting to resort
- 3. Cleanliness, dogs and stones on beach
- 4. Need to upgrade promenade and amusements
- 5. Limited shopping
- 6. Toilet availability/cleanliness
- 7. Noise & mess from dogs and seagulls
- 8. Overcrowding

### **Observations**

- Staying visitors predominantly older, but some say they would like to see more facilities for children.
- Both staying and day visitors suggest a wider retail and food offer particularly available later in the day could encourage longer stays.
- Although the cleanliness and friendliness of the resort is much appreciated, visitors do feel that the promenade and seafront attractions could be enhanced.
- Although the beach is a significant attractions, visitors do want to enjoy casual walking, eating out and shopping as part of their visit.



# What Next? CCT Priorities for 2017/18

- Interventions in response to Visitor Survey results
- Feasibility study Promenade, Southern seafront development sites and Marine Lagoon
- Understanding aspirations of the larger operators in Hunstanton
- Consultee to the One Public Estate initiative



# **Any Questions?**

