

# Touching the Tide

*Exploring our  
changing  
coast*





## Who are we?

**Touching the Tide is a Heritage Lottery Fund Landscape Partnership Scheme along the Suffolk Coast. It is hosted by the Suffolk Coast & Heaths Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty.**

There are 14 Partners, including Local Authorities, Statutory Agencies, conservation and community organisations, and committed individuals.

Our total budget is about £900,000. Touching the Tide will run until spring 2016 - but its legacy will continue.





## Explore your coast

Touching the Tide has a range of fantastic events to enjoy and exhibitions to visit, as well as workshops for children and adults.

We have a range of volunteering opportunities, including practical tasks, beach cleans, helping out at events, and historical research.

## Get in touch



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check out the Touching the Tide film





## What's touching the Tide all about?

**The Suffolk Coast is one of the best loved landscapes in Britain. Its wild beauty and strong artistic tradition support a local tourism industry worth over £280m a year.** There is a wealth of stunning nature reserves and fascinating historic sites. And, of course, many people live here and many more depend on the area for their livelihoods.

Today, the coastline we know is threatened by rising sea levels and an increasingly unpredictable climate. But this coast has always been changing, ever since the end of the last Ice Age; many of our best known places like Aldeburgh, Dunwich and Orford are the product of coastal change.

Touching the Tide is helping people to understand, explore and shape the future of our changing coast.

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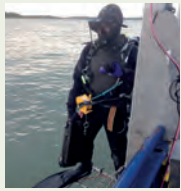
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# Just a taste of what we're doing

## Underwater Dunwich

Looking for churches under the waves



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## Southwold & Reydon

A community exploring their past through archaeology



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## Sizewell Beach

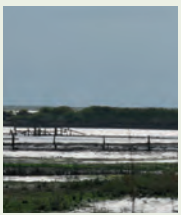
Reducing beach litter at source with the Marine Conservation Society



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## Hazlewood Marshes

Helping Suffolk Wildlife Trust to adapt management of the marshes after the 2013 tidal surge



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## Orford Ness Lighthouse

Working with the community to mark the decommissioning of Orford Ness Lighthouse



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Saxmundham

Aldeburgh

Orford

 Suffolk Coast & Heaths Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty  
 Touching the Tide Project Area

## Shingle Street

Helping local residents to protect rare plants



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## Mouth of the River Deben

An RSPB graduate trainee helping to protect little terns



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