



Application for New Membership

Organisation Name:	
Main Contact This will be our principle contact within your organisation, to whom all Dorset Coast Forum correspondence will be sent.	
Name	
Title	
Address	
Telephone	
Email	
Website	
Please tell us a bit about your organisation and its connection to the Dorset Coast and its inshore waters. It's helpful for us to know what your areas of interest are and what sort of projects you may like to be involved with.	
Please return completed forms to;	
Email	Dorset.coast@dorsetcouncil.gov.uk
Address	Dorset Coast Forum, Place Directorate, Dorset Council County Hall, Dorchester DT1 1XJ

Important Information

Data Protection Act

- 1 The data you provide to us will only be used by the Dorset Coast Forum Team to communicate information concerning the Dorset Coast Forum and its members.
- 2 The data you provide to us will not be given to third parties.
- 3 Your data will be kept by us until you are no longer a member of the Dorset Coast Forum but if at any point you wish for your data to be removed from our database, please contact Dorset.coast@dorsetcouncil.gov.uk.
- 4 In order to ensure our data is accurate and up-to-date we may contact you occasionally to confirm your details.
- 5 The Dorset Coast Forum is for organisations and businesses; we do not accept individual members however please contact Dorset.coast@dorsetcouncil.gov.uk if you are not associated with relevant organisations to groups to discuss the possibility of joining the Dorset Coast Forum.
- 6 All memberships have to be approved by our steering group.

Terms of reference

It is important that the Dorset Coast Forum has a good balance in its membership with representation from groups that span all marine sectors, relevant authorities and non governmental organisations and conservation interests. The current membership policy is that DCF is not open to individuals or issue specific lobby groups. Member organisations should have a vested interest in the planning, management and use of the Dorset Coast. Member organisations nominate a representative who attends biannual meetings. Application for membership to the DCF to date has been assessed by the DCF coordinator. However, this procedure should be formalised so that decisions are made by the Steering Group. Applications are via the completion of a membership proforma. The DCF Coordinator will present applications to the Steering Group for their consideration. When considering new applications, the Steering Group will bear in mind the need to ensure a good balance between the different coastal interests represented in the membership.

The current DCF membership is composed of 250 organisations with over 650 individuals within these organisations. An organisation has a primary contact and may nominate secondary contacts within their organisations who:

- a) Work in relevant fields to that of DCF
- b) Can substitute for the primary member at meetings where necessary
- c) Can provide expertise in relevant fields and can input to specific projects.