

Chichester Harbour Management Plan 2019-2024

What's changed from the current Management Plan (2014-19)?

- The new Plan has changed from a portrait format to a landscape format. This is because we felt the maps and photographs of Chichester Harbour fit better this way around.
- There is a new and succinct Vision to 2050 that replaces and updates the previous Vision to 2024. We didn't want to let the current Vision elapse. We feel a Vision should always look to the horizon, providing an ambitious and achievable goal that we can all work towards.
- Whilst the special qualities have not changed, we have explained the main threats to the special qualities and some of opportunities being taken to help address those threats.
- We've expanded the background information to Chichester Harbour and the Conservancy to better explain how this area is looked after.
- The natural and cultural designations are listed and explained with a suite of maps in the appendix.
- We've identified other plans and strategies our Management Plan will help to deliver, including Defra's new 25 Year Plan to Improve the Environment and the Port Marine Safety Code.
- We've explained the Role of the Harbour Authority so it is clear how the measures in the Port Marine Safety Code are being met at Chichester Harbour.
- We've reduced the number of policies from 61 to 15. This was to make the policies easier to understand, implement and report progress on. Importantly, none of the current policies have been removed entirely. They have either been integrated into new policies, the accompanying text, or as an action point.
- We've created an all new policy around Health and Wellbeing because the latest research suggests spending in time in Chichester Harbour can benefit your mental and physical condition.
- Each policy lists some of the management challenges that relate to the policy and a shortlist of partners that are working together to help address those challenges.
- The current Management Plan has a separate Delivery Plan document, featuring a long list of action points. The new Management Plan includes action points after each policy, thereby integrating the Delivery Plan.
- We reordered the policies to create a more integrated approach:
 - Policies 1 to 5 are broadly around nature conservation.
 - Policies 6 to 10 are around leisure and recreation.
 - Policies 11 to 15 are for communities and businesses.This is the modern way in which Management Plans are presented.
- We've included planning guidance in the new Management Plan. These are called 'Planning Principles' designed to help guide and assist development in and around the Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty. Importantly, they are not policies and therefore they are in a separate section.
- Finally, we've included many facts and figures about Chichester Harbour so if you ever need to look anything up, all the data we've got for the area can be found in one place.



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