

**Coastal and Marine Working Group**  
**Renslade House, Exeter**  
**9<sup>th</sup> May 2008**

**Attendees** – Roger Covey (Chair, Natural England), Olivia Langmead (Marine Biological Association?), Tom Hardy (Cornwall Wildlife Trust), Emma-Rose Herrera (Environment Agency), Richard Wright (Devon Wildlife Trust) Naomi Brookes (BioSW)

<b>Agenda Item</b>	<b>Actions</b>
<b>1. Apologies</b>	
Alex Bolton, Kevan Connelly, Helen Booker, Matt Hamilton, Adrea Simpson, Douglas Herdson	
<b>2. Welcome and apologies</b>	
Roger welcomed new members to group.	
<b>3. NERC Marine Guidance</b>	
Meeting was called to mainly review and comment on the draft marine NERC Guidance prepared by Sue Gubbay after the workshop held in April. Main actions were: Sue requested pictures from group for guide if any were available – to send by 12 <sup>th</sup> May. All to send any compelling marine/coastal biodiversity statistics to RC for guide by Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> May. NB to send public Bodies clarification web link to RC. NB to circulate marine and coastal contacts list prepared by Bob Earl for checking by group as those who will receive guidance when it is complete. Group to indicate who are the key contacts and those that should receive hard copy of guidance. Only 200 copies will be printed for actual distribution. A web link will be sent to all other contacts. RC to collate comments and send to Sue Gubbay so final draft can be produced. NB to work with group to press release the guidance when it is finalised in early June.	All All NB NB/All RC NB
<b>4. AOB</b>	
Marine Bill – Group agreed it might be desirable for this group to send a letter of support for the Marine Bill on behalf of the partnership. RC/NB/ERH to collate and circulate for comment. Lyme Bay Consultation – RW thanked the group for writing letter of support for Lyme Bay consultation and all other organisations that also responded. Initial indications show 73% of respondents were in favour of option C – a closed area of 60m <sup>2</sup>	RC/ERH/NB
<b>8. Date of next meeting</b>	
The next meeting will be held on Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup> September, 10.30am to 13.00pm at Renslade House.	