

The Wash and North Norfolk Coast European Marine Site
The following Table is a Condition Status Summary as @ December 2010

N.B. * indicates amended condition assessment @ Dec 2010 for features and attributes that were 'not assessed' in the 2008 condition assessment.

Gibraltar Point SPA	Condition Status
Breeding Annex 1 birds	Favourable
Regularly occurring migratory birds	Favourable
SPA review additional features: knot and assemblage of > 20,000 waterfowl & seabirds	Favourable
The Wash SPA	Condition Status
Breeding Annex 1 birds	Favourable
Assemblage of >20,000 waterfowl & seabirds	Favourable
Non-breeding Annex 1 birds	Favourable
Regularly occurring migratory birds	Unfavourable declining (13 sub-features: of which 1, shelduck, is unfavourable declining, turnstone is very close to threshold for unfavourable declining, but remainder are all favourable)
North Norfolk Coast SPA	Condition Status
Breeding Annex 1 birds	Unfavourable declining (little tern and ringed plover, common tern unfavourable no change, 5 other sub-features all favourable or unfavourable recovering)
Regularly occurring migratory birds	Favourable
Assemblage of >20,000 waterfowl & seabirds	Favourable
Wash & North Norfolk Coast SAC	Condition Status
Samphire & other annuals colonising mud & sand	Favourable*
Atlantic salt meadows	Favourable *
Mediterranean saltmarsh scrub	Favourable *
Lagoons (Snettisham)	Unfavourable * (Ongoing investigation into concerns over poor water quality & potential impact of unregulated development of new quays / jetties on extent of lagoons)
Intertidal mudflats and sandflats	Unfavourable declining (14 attributes in total, one unfavourable declining due to loss of cockle from le Strange. 13 in The Wash assessed as favourable or unfavourable recovering. Concerns over future loss of habitat through saltmarsh accretion and sea level rise.
Subtidal sandbanks (in The Wash only)	Favourable * (All 6 attributes are favourable in The Wash only. However, potential concerns over apparent significant change in sediment in north-western and south-eastern Wash that will be further investigated in 2011)
Reef	Favourable (but potential impact from towed gears being addressed through ESFJC byelaw)
Large shallow inlet & bay	Favourable *
Common seal	Unfavourable recovering * (Unfavourable recovering due to decline in moult population. The remaining 3 attributes are assessed as favourable with 2010 breeding survey showing increase numbers of pups and adults. Concerns remain over north Norfolk seal deaths under investigation)
Otter	Favourable * (Recent Increase in abundance and distribution resulting in all 5 attributes assessed as favourable)