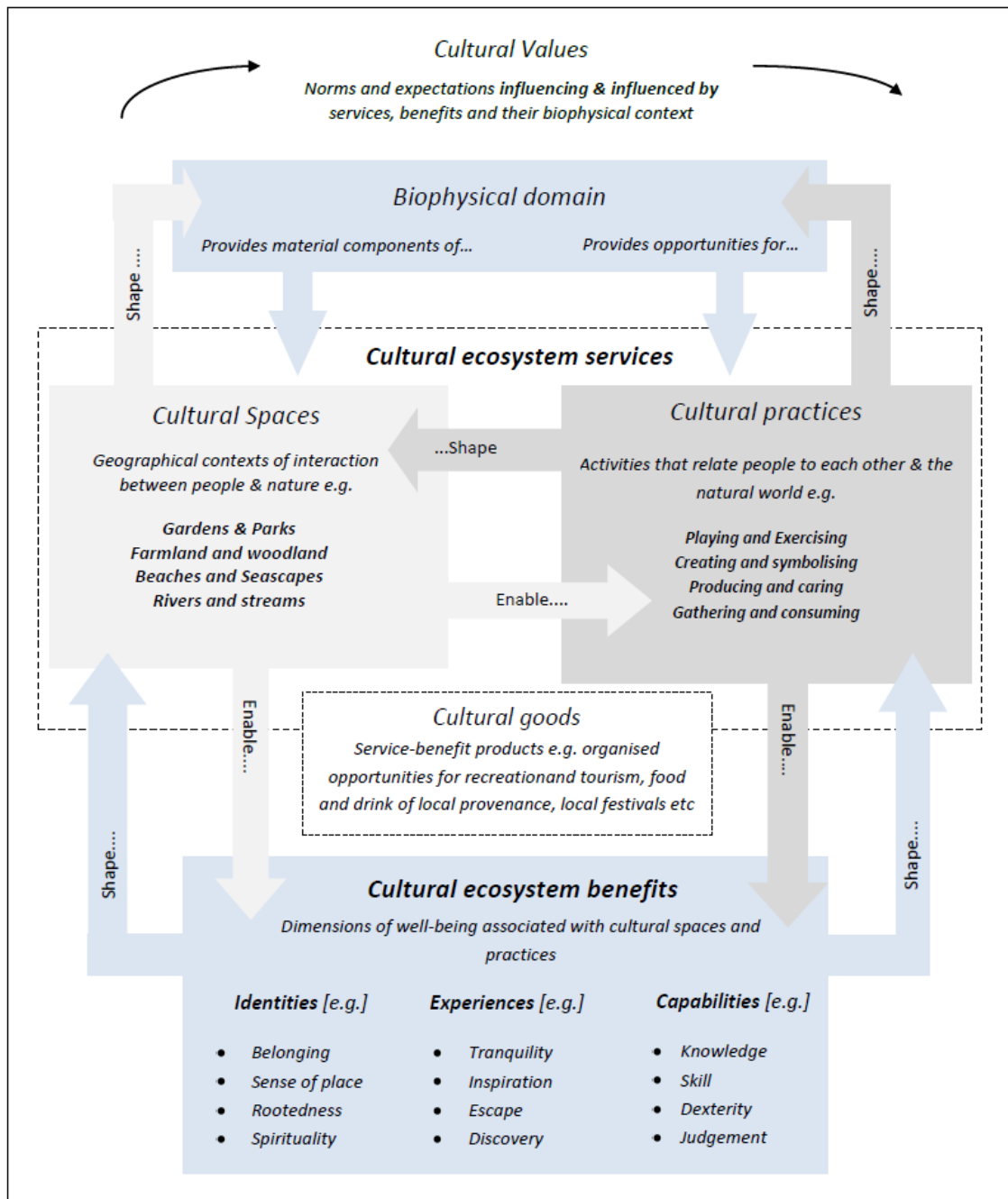


# Exploring Cultural Ecosystem Services in a Marine Environment: A Case Study of Plymouth Sound to Fowey

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VALMER Plymouth to Fowey Case Study Task and Finish  
Group – Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> March 2014





# UK National Ecosystem Assessment Approach

- Questionnaire and mapping exercise
- Community engagement events

Beaford woods - we walk there regularly and enjoy wild catkins, bluebells and other plant life. Also birds and occasional deer.

Tarka trail (Meeth-Panocissawes) - My local regular walk with my dog. Very local to my home. A place for observing wildlife, fauna and flora, always new and surprising things to see. No traffic (except bikes). A beautiful place.

Hatherleigh Moor - walk here almost every day. Just on our doorstep. Well managed and a much enjoyed.

Hatherleigh Moor is well managed, provides walks and wonderful views. Hatherleigh generally is well provided with footpaths.

We enjoy level walks when the weather permits to walk from home, having no need to use the car and enjoy the lovely scenery.

We are most fortunate in having Haddon wood nearby to enjoy the wildlife and fauna and peace if walking on our own.

In Liddesleigh is one my favourite churches as you look out the door the vista is wonderful.

**Mapping special, significant or valuable places**

Hatherleigh Moor  
walking  
views  
river  
walks  
dog  
wildlife  
views  
walks  
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river  
walks  
dog  
wildlife

Quaintes are not places I would probably like to visit as they tend to be left as a scar on the landscape.

The public footpath that runs from Meeth to join up with the tarka trail, I have been frequently asked to get this right of way more accessible to enable off road access to the tarka trail, so far to the east. It would be of great benefit to walkers from the village.

Meeth clay works - needs returning to natural state.

Beautiful for walking but the footpaths are neglected.

In recent months a wind turbine has been placed adjacent to the Beaford Gorton road. It is far too close to the road and an eyesore. Why was permission granted to place it there?

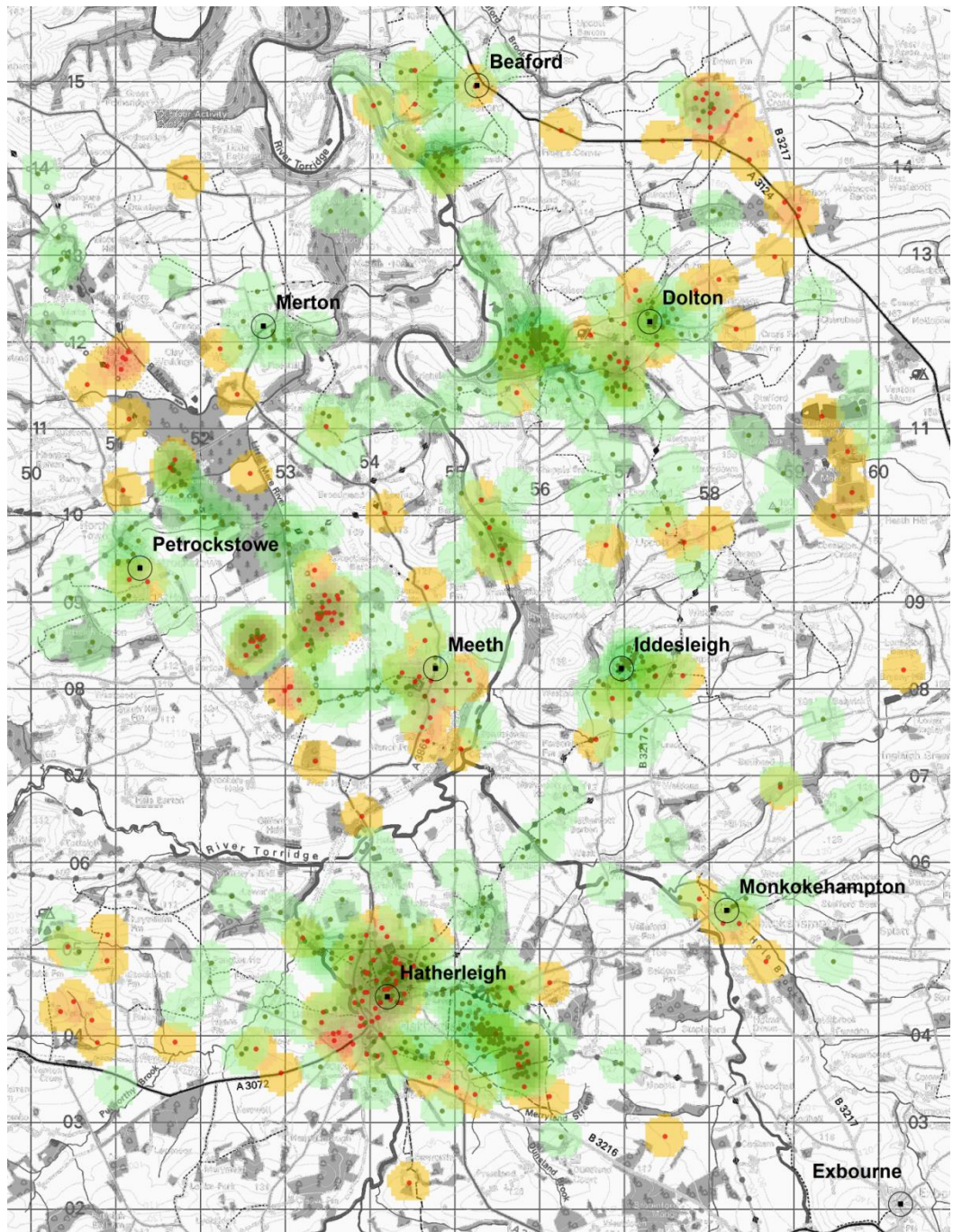
I believe that the tranquility of Duffryn woods has been gradually eroded. Some paths have been severely damaged due to the removal of felled trees during wet and muddy times of the year. Paths have become dangerous.

Ash Moor brings back terrible memories of foot and mouth. Duffryn will soon change how DWT have taken over Ash Moor.

**Mapping unpleasant, neglected or challenged places**

litter  
Hatherleigh  
road  
public  
town  
Ashmoor  
way  
park  
access





# Approaches to Revealing Cultural Ecosystem Services in Plymouth Sound to Fowey – Questionnaire & Map-based Survey

**Exploring the Cultural, Health and Well-being Benefits of a Marine Environment: A Case Study of Plymouth Sound to Fowey**

**Background**  
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The research is a collaboration between the Universities of Exeter and Plymouth, Cornwall Council, Plymouth Marine Laboratory and the Marine Biological Association. It is funded through the European Regional Development Fund. The results of this work are part of a bigger project exploring how to better manage marine environments (see [www.valmer.eu](http://www.valmer.eu) for more details).

We would be delighted if you would be kind enough to complete this short survey. Every survey response really counts and if you are completing a paper copy, there is a freepost envelope for you to return it to us. **All responses will be treated as completely confidential\***

We'd be very grateful for a response by 7<sup>th</sup> March 2014. If you would prefer to complete this on-line, please go to <http://www.dash.ac.uk/marine-wellbeing>

**Community Events**  
In March, we will be holding 3 informal events in the area to present some of the findings of our research and to learn more about people's views about this environment. If you would like to join us for an event, please indicate which of the dates you would like to make (you may tick more than one to indicate you could attend on different days) and complete your contact details below. A buffet lunch/tea will be provided and the events should be a lot of fun. If you would like any further details about this research, please contact Cheryl Willis ([c.a.willis@exeter.ac.uk](mailto:c.a.willis@exeter.ac.uk))

I would like to take part in a discussion event

Name	
Address	
Postcode	
Telephone	
E-mail	

Date	Time	Location	Tick
24.03.14	6.30-9pm	The Safe Harbour Hotel, Fowey	<input type="checkbox"/>
25.03.14	12-2.30pm	Seaton Beach Cafe	<input type="checkbox"/>
25.03.14	6.30-9pm	Finnysgook Inn, Craftthole	<input type="checkbox"/>

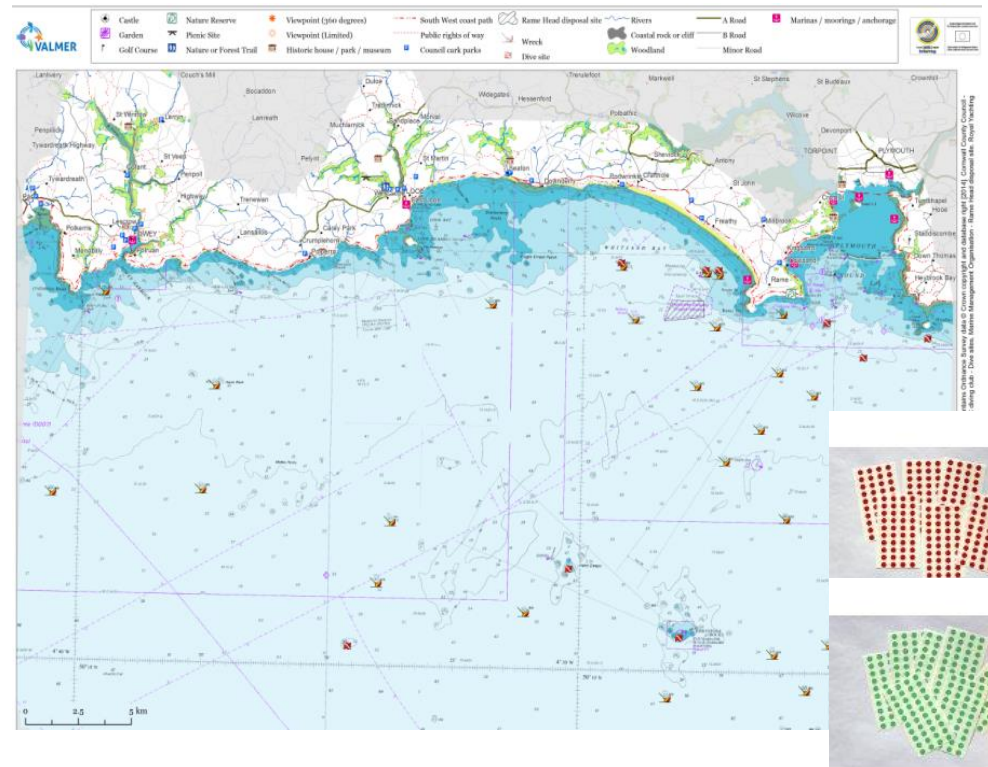
*We will be in touch nearer the time to confirm your place and final arrangements for these events*

**Q1. What do you spontaneously associate with the 'sea' and the 'coast'? (Please write any words or phrases which come to you without thinking too much)**

**Q2. Generally, how often do you spend time on, in or by the sea in the Plymouth Sound to Fowey area?**

	On or in the sea	Near the sea and/or at the beach
More than once a day	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Once a day	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Several times a week	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Once a week	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Once or twice a month	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
A few times a year	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Almost never	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

\*Your details, if given are covered by the Data Protection Act 1998. Your information will not be used for any other purpose and will not be passed onto a third party. This questionnaire will be retained for 1 year after which it will be destroyed in a secure manner.



# On-line questionnaire

<http://www.dassh.ac.uk/marine-wellbeing>



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