

South Coast Fishermen's Council

Run by Fishermen for the Fishermen of the South Coast.



The South Coast Fishermen's Council exists to represent the views of fishers in Hampshire, Dorset and the Isle of Wight and to provide the opportunity for discussion and the exchange of information on fisheries issues.

The Council has existed since the 1970s and meets 8 times a year in Poole.

Membership is open to representatives of the fishing associations in the region.

The meeting is run by fishermen for fishermen and the benefits of membership include;

- Influence
- Information
- Exchange of Ideas
- Direct access to training and training providers

By invitation Defra, MMO, CEFAS and the Southern IFCA regularly attend the meetings and fisheries management, marine licensing, fisheries science, as well as safety issues are all discussed. Regular agenda items include regulation, byelaw development and safety developments. The Council responds to many public consultations on behalf of its members. The Council also runs and administers a training fund which is available to new entrants in the fishing industry. The Council's reports are included on the agenda at the Southern Inshore Fisheries and Conservation Authority.

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