

SUFFOLK BEACHWATCH RESULTS 2019

The results of the litter surveys carried out by volunteers in Suffolk, as part of the Marine Conservation Society's Beachwatch scheme, show that 428 kg of litter was cleared from our Coast & Estuaries.

KEY SUFFOLK FACTS



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litter surveys were carried out on 31 beaches which equates to 7.71km



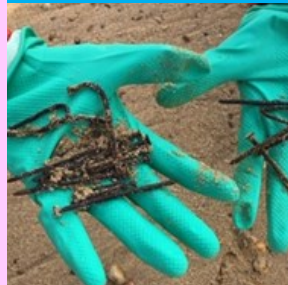
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volunteers took part in Beachwatch surveys



22,095

items of litter were recorded



69.2%

of litter collected was made of plastic or polystyrene



1398

Plastic food wrappers were collected

TOP 10 LITTER ITEMS

RANK	LITTER ITEM	TOTAL ITEMS FOUND
1	Plastic / Polystyrene Pieces (0-50cm)	5796
2	Packets: crisp/sweet/ lolly / sandwich	1398
3	String	814
4	Caps / lids	790
5	Metal 0-50cm	769
6	Cigarette stubs	752
7	Glass	596
8	Fishing line	580
9	Cotton bud sticks	549
10	Fishing net	426



8 OF THE TOP 10 LITTER ITEMS IN SUFFOLK WERE OF PLASTIC COMPOSITION

As well as the 4 Beachwatch surveys, many communities and individuals collect beach litter on a monthly, weekly or even daily basis, as do visitors when they come to visit. We are very grateful to everyone for their valuable contribution in helping to look after the Suffolk Coast and Heaths AONB and wider marine environment.



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