

GEODIVERSITY IN WAVENEY

The easternmost District of England has much to offer the geologist and the tourist. Miles of sea-cliffs expose Crag sands and gravels, 'Forest Bed' deposits, with very rare flint implements of early humans, and 'chalky boulder clay' deposited by ice-sheets during the Ice Age. Modern coastal processes form cliffs and beaches, often changing within a year or even hours. Inland, the Waveney river valley and its gravel and peat deposits forms an attractive landscape.

Corton Cliffs SSSI. Includes Chalky Boulder Clay.

Pakefield-Kessingland Cliffs SSSI. Exposures of Cromer Forest Bed at base, with overlying Chalky Boulder Clay.

Benacre Ness. Shingle 'ness'.

Covehithe Cliffs SSSI. Norwich Crag deposits and overlying gravels.

Easton Bavents Cliffs SSSI. Norwich Crag, Baventian Clay, gravel

For information on geological SSSIs see . www.sssi.naturalengland.org.uk

Homersfield, Flixton Park Quarry. Waveney terrace gravels – view from gate.

Holton Pit. Norwich Crag gravels

Lowestoft: Sparrows Nest Gardens. Springs and seepages.

South Flint House (1586), High Street – next to Wilde Score.

Lowestoft Ness Sea defences include larvikite and gneiss

Oxford and Cambridge Roads. Street scheme with granite and metamorphic rock pillars.

Oulton: Lowestoft Museum. Geological specimens www.lowestoftmuseum.org

Carlton Colville: East Anglian Transport Museum. Localised kerbstones from Silvertown viaduct. www.eatm.org.uk

Carlton Marshes Nature Reserve. Round Water and Sprats

Water are ancient peat diggings www.suffolkwildlifetrust.org

Beccles: Marsh trail – easy access trail to river and marshes.

Bungay: Castle ruins. Barnack, Caen, and oolitic limestones recorded.

Flixton: Norfolk and Suffolk Aviation Museum, 'Adair Walk' –boardwalk to River Waveney and marshes. www.aviationmuseum.net

Southwold: Church. Fine flint and limestone flushwork.

Museum. Geological specimens. www.southwoldmuseum.org

Amber Museum (at Amber Shop) www.ambershop.co.uk

Reydon: UKGE www.ukge.co.uk

Bungay Castle

