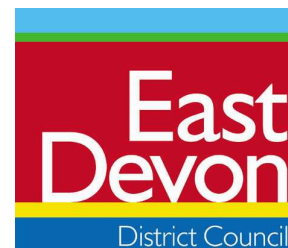




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What is the Jurassic Coast?

FREE TALK AT THE NORMAN LOCKYER OBSERVATORY SIDMOUTH
THURSDAY 21 JUNE
2.00 – 4.15 PM

This is the first of an exciting series of talks about the World Heritage Coast and is FREE for anyone to attend.

In December 2001, 95 miles of the East Devon and Dorset coastline were awarded World Heritage Site status, ranking the Jurassic Coast alongside the Grand Canyon and the Great Barrier Reef as one of the natural wonders of the world. World Heritage Status was achieved because of the site's unique insight into the Earth Sciences as it clearly depicts a geological 'walk through time' spanning the Triassic, Jurassic and Cretaceous periods.

What does this actually mean? With generous funding from the Heritage Lottery and support from the World Heritage Coast Team this, the first of 4 talks, will be held at the Norman Lockyer Observatory in Sidmouth, and is the only chance to attend a talk in East Devon.

The talks will give the hardworking volunteers of museums, heritage centres and related organisations like historical societies, as well as people interested in finding out more about the heritage of our beautiful coastline, a chance to discover just what the Jurassic Coast is all about and why it is so important.

There will be two authoritative and inspirational speakers – Richard Edmonds, Jurassic Coast Earth Science Manager and Dr Anjana Khatwa, Jurassic Coast Education Coordinator and the event, including parking and refreshments, is entirely free. There will be a chance to meet representatives from East Devon museums and other interested people, as well as an opportunity to find out more about the Observatory and the fascinating work it is involved in.

Further talks are planned in Bridport, Weymouth and Purbeck in the autumn. However, there's no need to travel further afield to get a unique chance to dip into the past and find out more about what makes the East Devon coast so beautiful and dramatic.

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