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7. How often do you participate in one or more of these activities?

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8. Where on the estuary do you enjoy your activity? (*please list sites & to which activity they refer*)

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9. Do you think your activity causes disturbance to the estuary and its wildlife?

High Moderate Low None Don't know

10. Do you know about the Humber Estuary Codes of Conduct?

Yes No if yes, did you find them useful? _____

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Yes Did you find them informative, helpful? _____

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Humber Estuary Recreational Use and Public Awareness Questionnaire

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Location: _____ **No in Group:** _____

1. How far have you travelled today? 0 -1 mile 2- 5 miles 6 – 10 miles 10+ miles

2. How old are you? 18 – 25 26 – 35 36 -45 46 – 60 60 + **Male** **Female**

3. What is the purpose of your visit to the estuary today?

Business **Leisure** **Education** **Other**

4. Did you know that the Humber Estuary, its wildlife and habitats are legally protected?

No Yes

5. Have you heard of any of the following terms?

Site of Special Scientific Interest (SSSI) Yes No
Special Area of Conservation (SAC) Yes No
Special Protection Area (SPA) Yes No
European Marine Site Yes No

6. Do you use the estuary for any of the following activities?

<input type="checkbox"/> Cockle (or other shellfish) Gathering	<input type="checkbox"/> Walking
<input type="checkbox"/> Plant Gathering	<input type="checkbox"/> Access
<input type="checkbox"/> Angling	<input type="checkbox"/> Airborne recreation
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