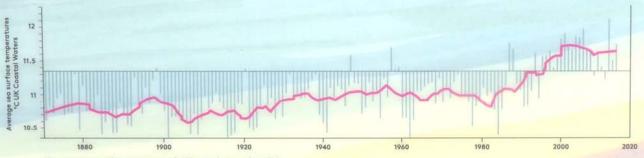
"Bay surging, channels filling, sun setting. I ring, I sing. Listen in." THE MORECAMBE BAY TIME AND TIDE BELL

Overlooking the majestic scenery of Morecambe Bay with its changing light and sound, birds and other sealife, this bell signals our enjoyment - as walkers, bathers, fishers, birdwatchers or those who like to sit on the prom looking across the bay of our wonderful natural heritage.

But the tolling of the bell as the tide rises and falls is also here to draw our attention to the threat of changes in our climate, in Morecambe Bay as well as the rest of the UK.

Since the late 1990s the temperature of the coastal waters around the UK have been rising: this poses a threat to all the species which thrive in the bay and to future generations' enjoyment of its beauty.



The average sea surface temperatures in UK coastal waters since 1870. The red line shows the trend compared with the average annual temperature between 1981-2010. Source: Cefas

More details: morecambeartistcolony.org/time-tide-bell/

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The Morecambe Bay Bell is part of the national project of bells around British coastal waters. In due course at any one time at least one will be sounding More details : www.timeandtidebell.org These 7 bells will increase in number to 16 in future years.

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What makes the bell ring?

A high tide and choppy waters! Morecambe Bay tides are unusual in the British Isles because they have a very large range between the highest (Spring tides) and the lowest (Neap tides). So large in fact that the bell does not ring on any high tide below 8.30 metres and may not ring in calm waters. To find out the height of the tide today go to www.tidetimes.org.uk/morecambe-tide-times