



Joint coastal development 2022

The *Bothnian Bay coastal inter-municipal cooperation* is a collaboration between Haparanda, Kalix, Luleå, Piteå and Skellefteå municipalities. The aim is to, through joint municipal resources, develop a cohesive coast and archipelago that provides opportunities for well-being, a rich outdoor life and unique experiences for both residents in the municipalities and visitors. The aim is also to create good conditions for an innovative tourist industry and promote a development towards achieving set global goals. The cooperation began in 2006 and is based on a common strategy and an inter-municipal agreement.

During 2022, projects have both been started and ended. In the spring, the three-year project [Accessible and sustainable outdoor life in the Bothnian coast and archipelago](#) started. In the project, hiking trails will be made on Torne-Furö in Haparanda and Fingermanholmen in Piteå. Vassholmen in Kalix and Gåsören in Skellefteå are to be further adjusted for accessibility and in Luleå a solar cell-powered dry toilet is to be developed and tested. The project is financed with the help of the County Administrative Boards in Norrbotten and Västerbotten.

The project [Pilot study for future development of coastal Bothnian Bay](#) was completed. In the project, investigations of measures at several locations in the coastal area have been carried out with the aim of creating increased accessibility for more people to visit the archipelago. The project has been financed with support from Region Norrbotten and Region Västerbotten. The County Administrative Board in Västerbotten, who participated in the investigations of Bjuröklubb, was also a co-financier in the project.

At the end of the year, a LONA application was submitted for the project [Discover sport fishing in the Bothnian Bay coast and archipelago](#), which has been granted by the County Administrative Board in Västerbotten. The project will start in 2023.



At Vassholmen in Kalix the foundation has been laid for an accessible barbecue area within the LONA project.



On Junkön, you can soon rent the accessible rental cabin.

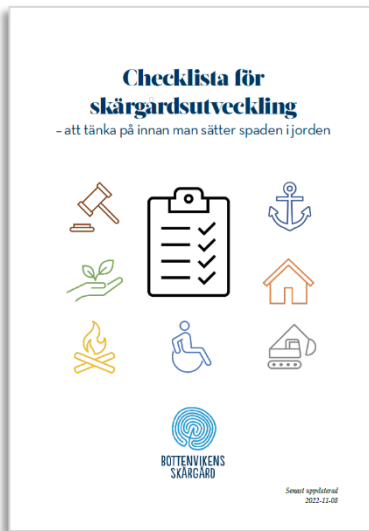


Maybe at a dry toilet near you?

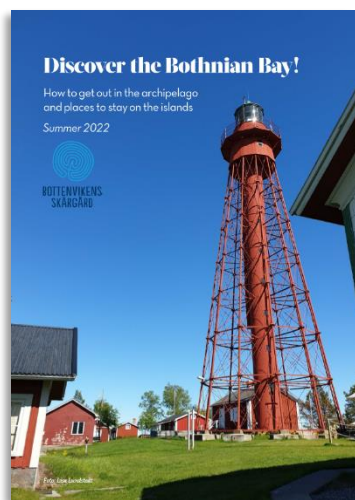
To create recognition within the Bothnian coast, there are now, alongside the archipelago sauna and the archipelago barbecue, also the Bothnian archipelago's very own toilet paper holder.

The work to create an accessible and pleasant archipelago has continued. Among other things, a new floating jetty has been bought for Storkajen at Hanhinkari in the Haparanda archipelago. It will be launched in the spring. At Torne-Furö, the area by the beach has received new tables and benches and at Skomakaren, new signs have been put up. In the Kalix archipelago, more barbecue areas will be arranged at Frevisören.

A new rental cabin has been built on Junkön in the Luleå archipelago. On Rödkallen there are now a new jetty, a barbecue area and dry toilet.



The checklist provides guidance when things will be carried out.



A guide about tour boats and accommodation in the Bothnian Bay.

In the Piteå archipelago, major efforts have been paused for a while as the municipality was without a work boat, but a gangway has been set up on Fingermanholmen and there is a new barbecue area on Vargön.

In the Skellefteå archipelago, Pite-Rönnskär, Pålholmen, Kollostranden and Renholmen have been equipped with new fireplaces. On Gåsören, the tension between the lighthouses has been improved and on Hamnskär, the municipality's rental cabins have been painted and fixed.

A "Checklist for coastal development" has been produced within the framework of the Bothnian archipelago municipal cooperation. The aim is to facilitate the municipalities' preliminary work and streamline the process until it is time to put the shovel in the ground and to ensure that the right permits are sought.

During a study trip to the Stockholm archipelago in September for the Bothnian archipelago's steering group and working group, the theme was climate-smart passenger vessels, strategies and action plans for coastal development, maintenance of coastal facilities, entrepreneurship, marketing as well as work for a sustainable archipelago and various cross-border collaborations.



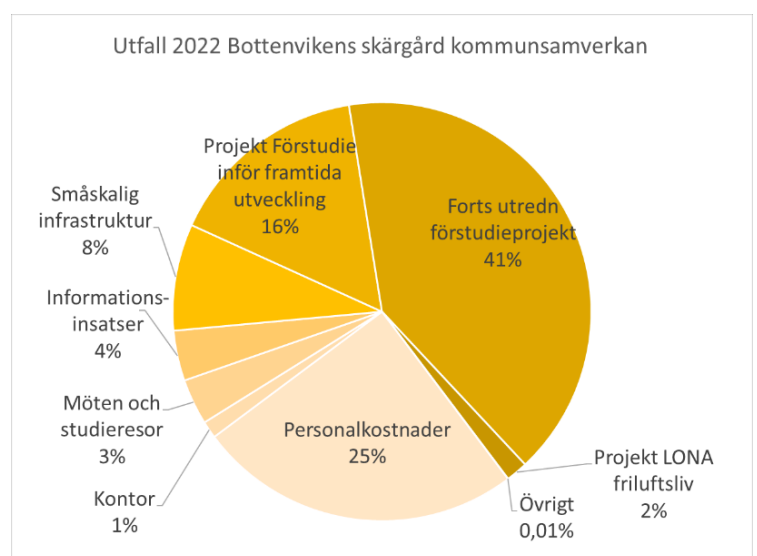
Candela Technology they talked about electric powered hydrofoil boats and Regions Stockholm's project on electric passenger vessels.

In order to inform about tour boats and accommodation out in the archipelago throughout the entire Bothnian coast, a compilation was made and distributed to tourist centres throughout the area.

The dialogue on coherent coastal development has continued. Among other things, with the Finnish colleagues in the Bothnian Arc and with companies and associations along the Bothnian coast.

During 2022, roughly SEK 3 million has been invested in the municipal coastal development. Investments made have taken place through the municipalities' basic funding and through completed projects.

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Distribution of costs during 2022.



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