

Sustainability Appraisal Scoping Report

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1. Introduction

The Marine Management Organisation (MMO) is currently preparing the North East Inshore and Offshore, North West Inshore and Offshore, South East Inshore and South West Inshore and Offshore mEnglish marine plans. These will set out how the UK Marine Policy Statement will be implemented in these plan areas.

The marine plans will be subject to an integrated Sustainability Appraisal (hereafter referred to as SA) and Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) in line with the requirements of Statutory Instrument 2004 No. 1633: The Environmental Assessment of Plans and Programmes Regulations 2004.

A SA scoping report has been produced which provides baseline information on the environmental, social and economic characteristics of the marine plan areas. This map annex forms part of that scoping report and has been prepared by Ramboll Environ, Marine Planning Consultants and ClearLead Consulting Ltd on behalf of the MMO.

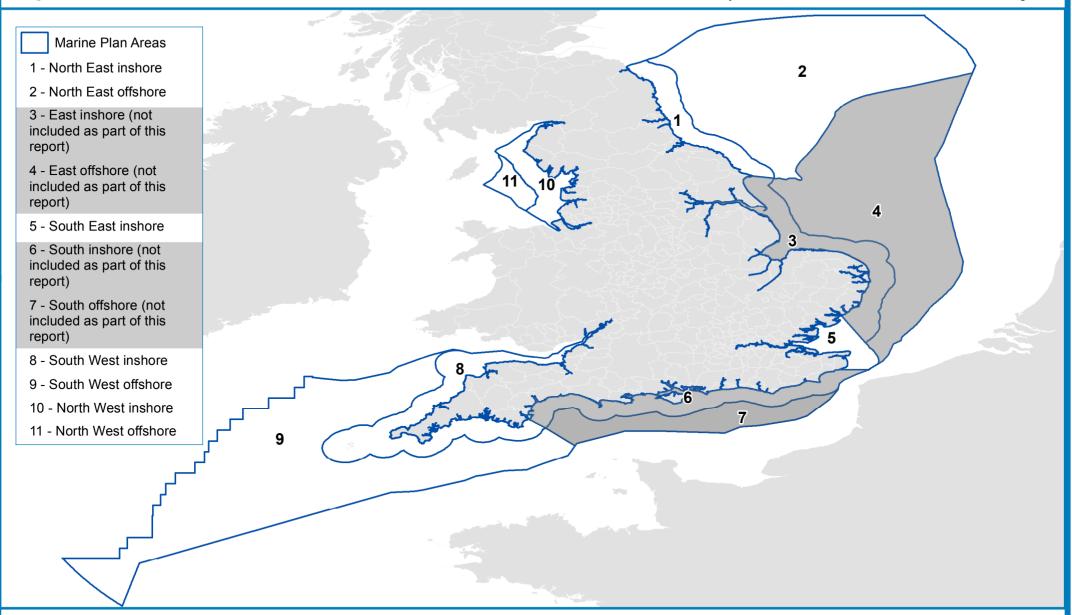
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This annex includes a selection of mapped data that helps to set the context for the SA, helps readers to interpret the baseline database and will also be used to inform the appraisal of the marine plans. The maps that have been produced are a sample of the range of maps that are available from the MMO and other sources. Please note that this Annex is not meant to be comprehensive. The MMO (and others) hold a large amount of mapped data. The MMO data is outlined in the Master Data Register and within the Marine Planning Evidence Base. Because of the availability of the Marine Planning Evidence Base (which is kept updated and is publicly available) it has not been necessary to reproduce comprehensive baseline maps for the SA scoping report.



Figure 1.1: Marine Plan Areas

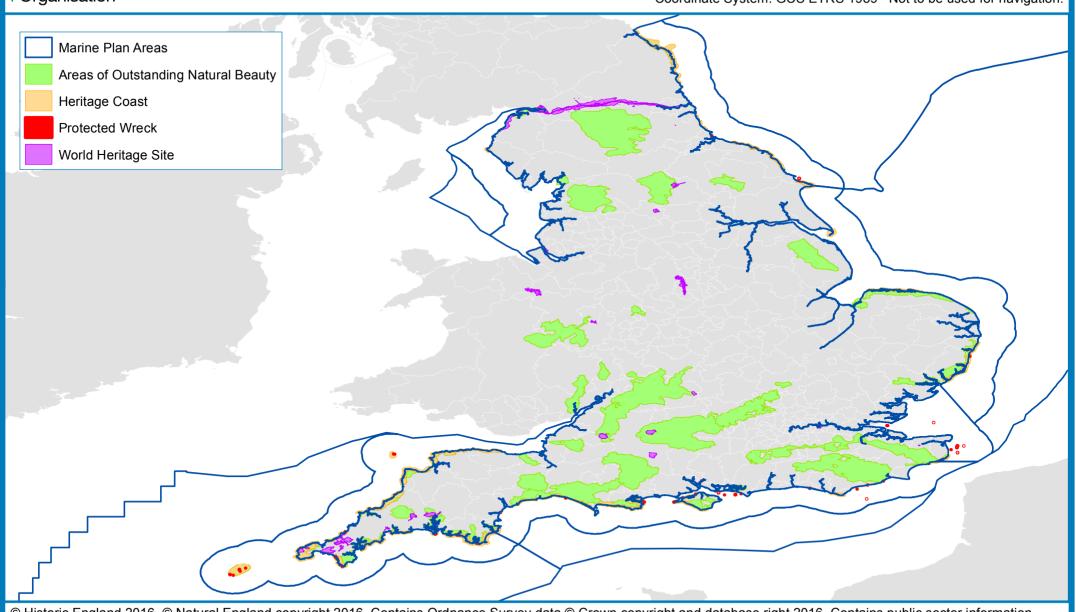
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Figure 1.2: Heritage Assets

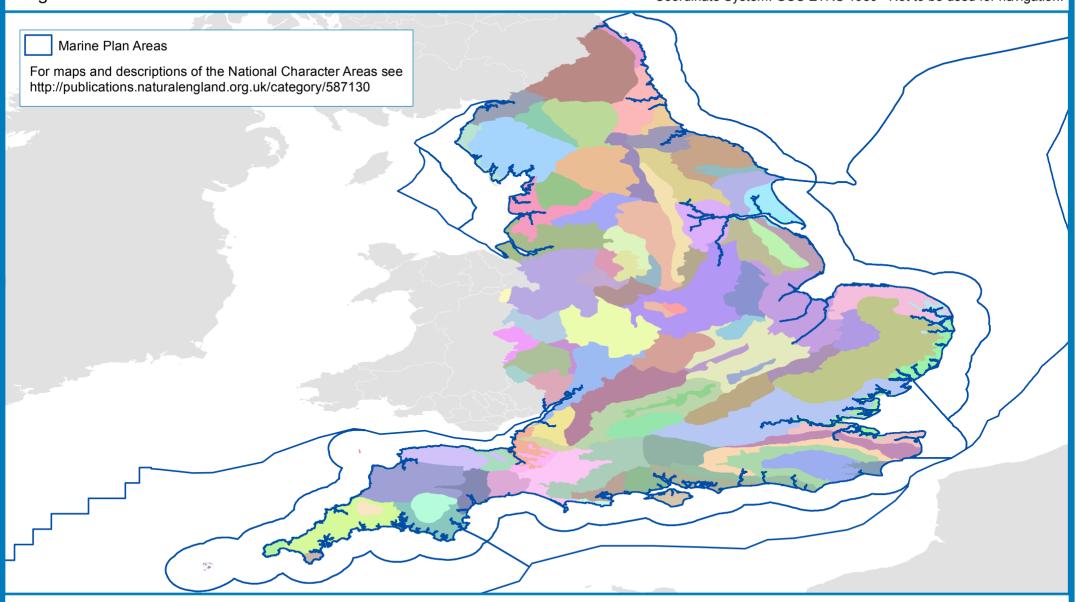
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Figure 3.1: National Character Areas

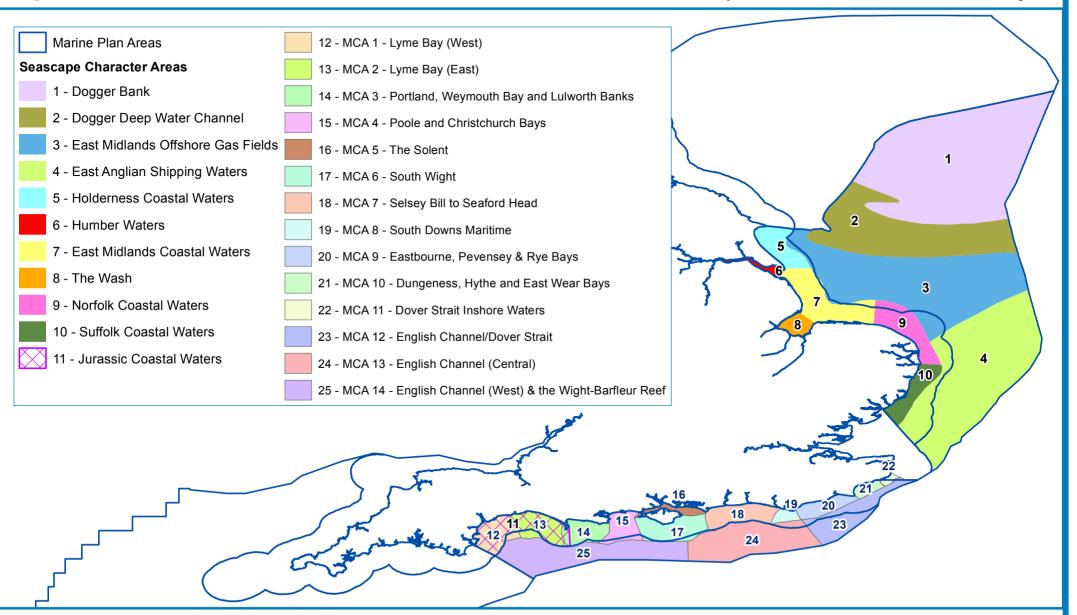
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Figure 3.2: Seascape Characterisation Areas (included as an example – this refers to the East Plan area and South Plan area)

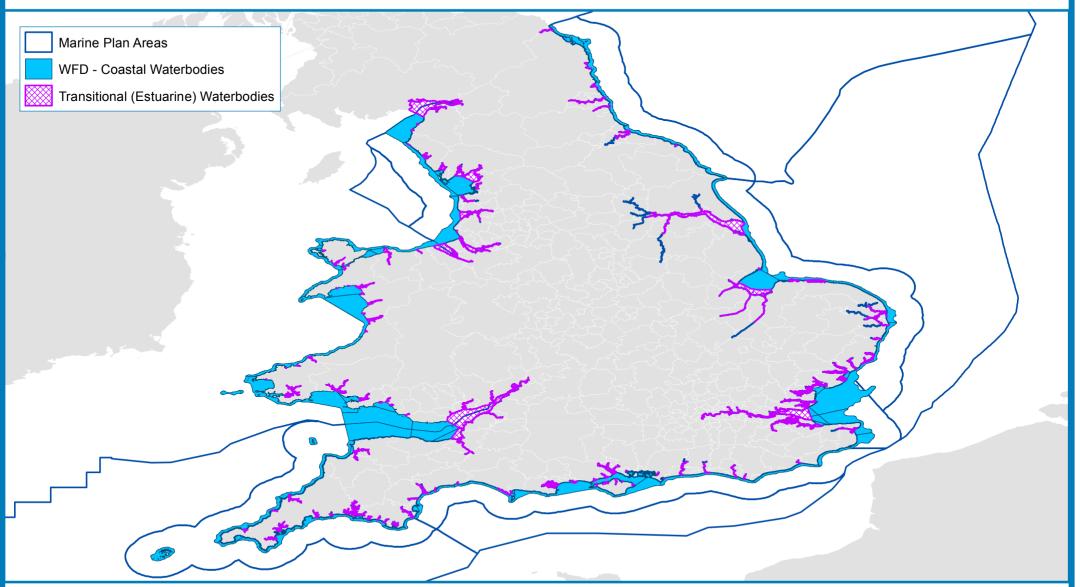
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Figure 4.1: Water Framework Directive Coastal Waterbodies and Transitional Waterbodies

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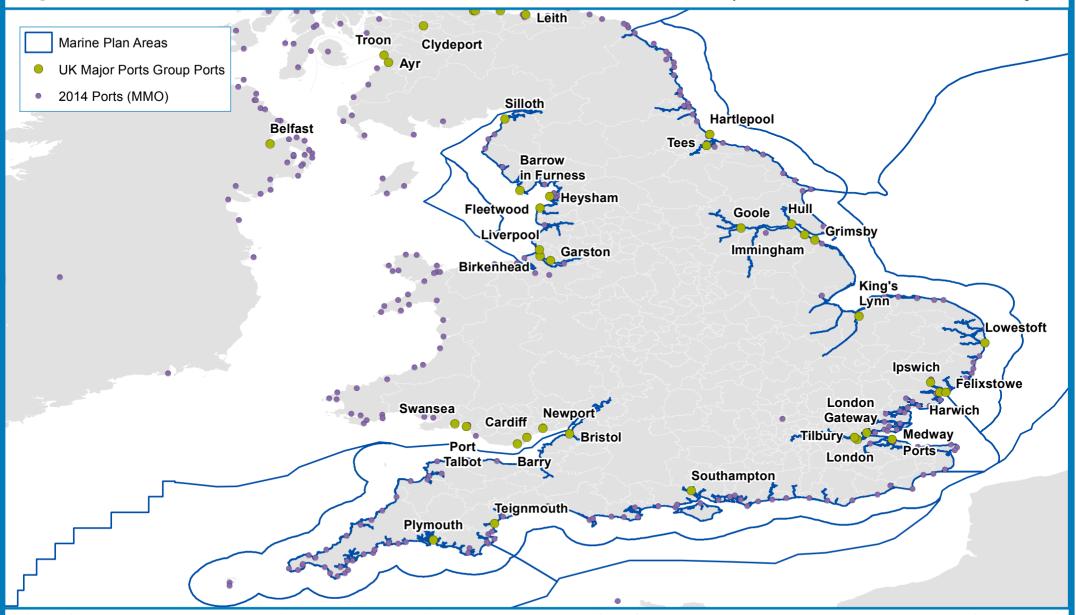


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Figure 5.1: Ports

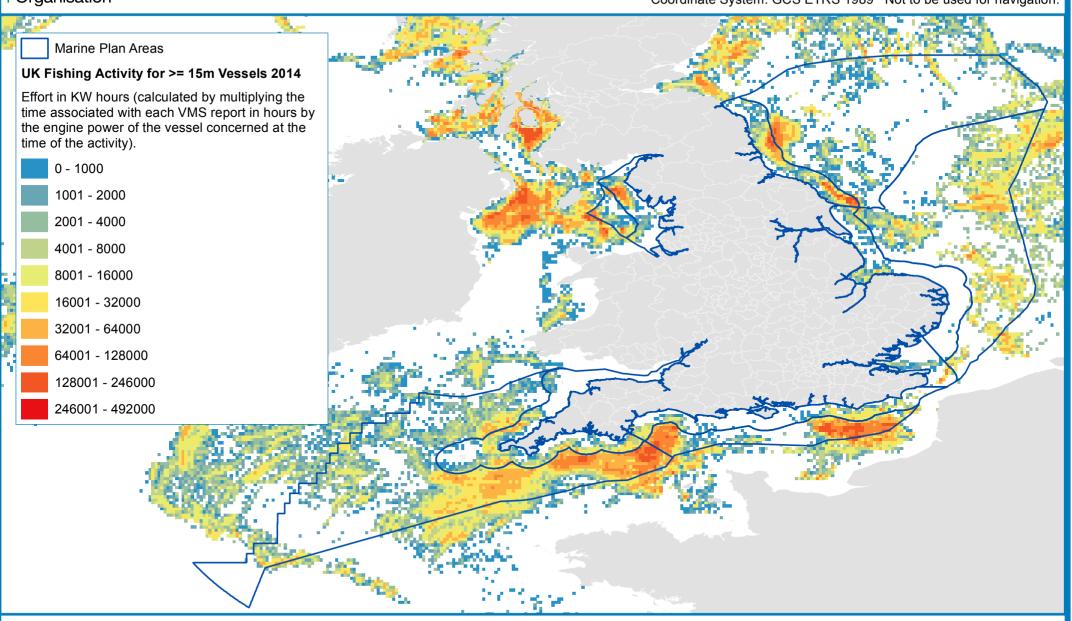
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Figure 8.1: UK Fishing Effort

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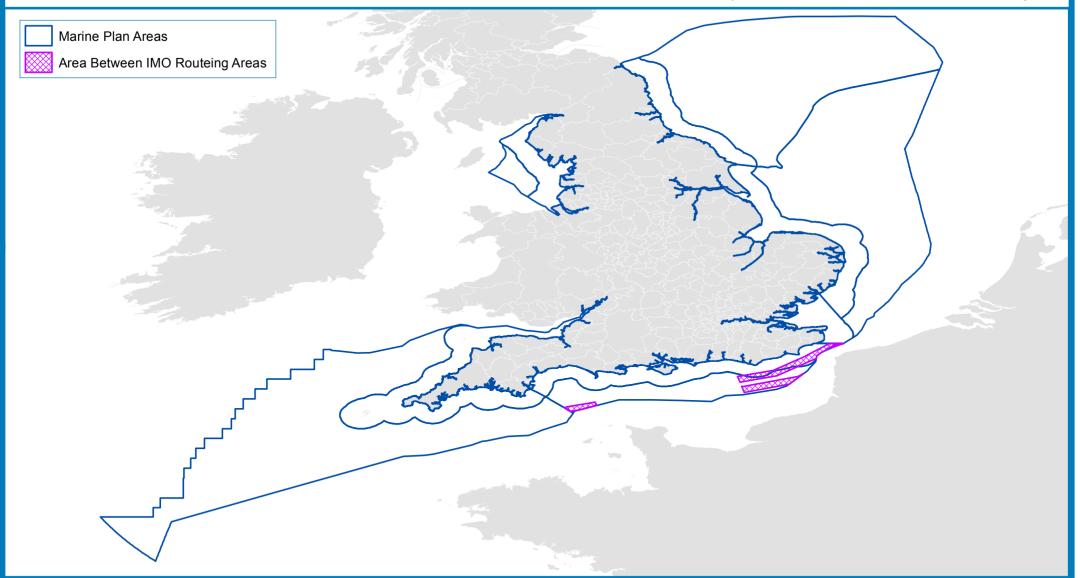


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Figure 8.2: Area Between International Maritime Organisation Routeing Areas (included as an example – this refers to the South Plan area)

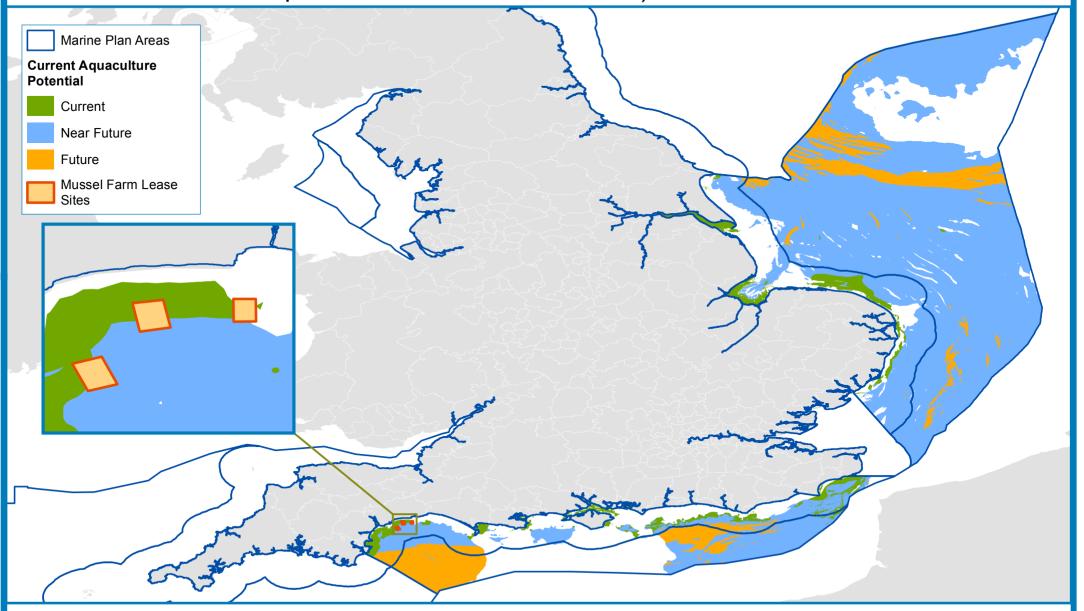
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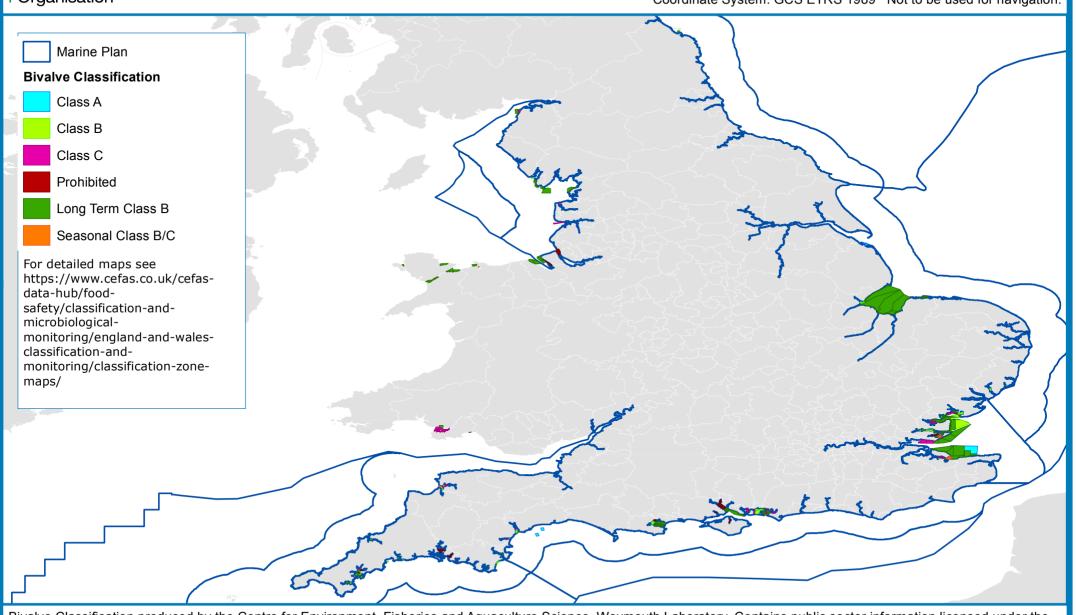
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Figure 8.4: Shellfisheries Bivalve Classification

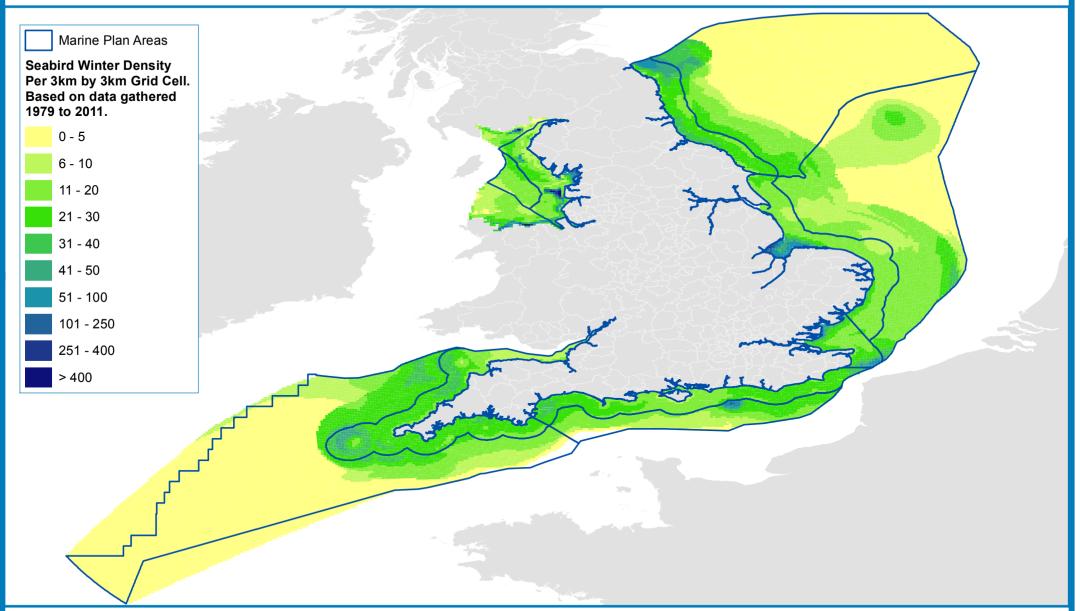
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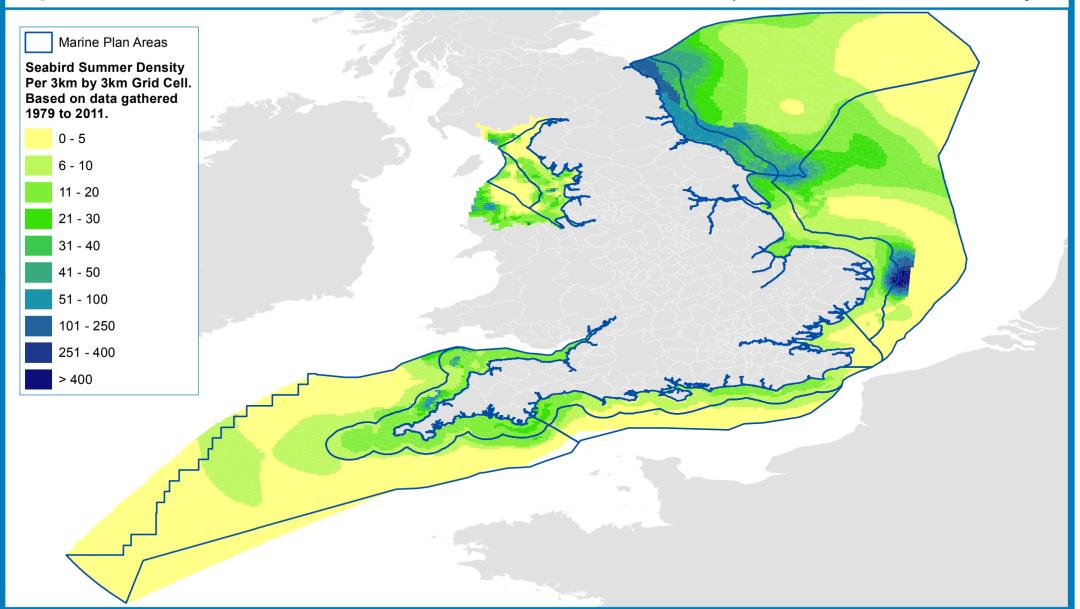
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Figure 9.2: Seabird Summer Density

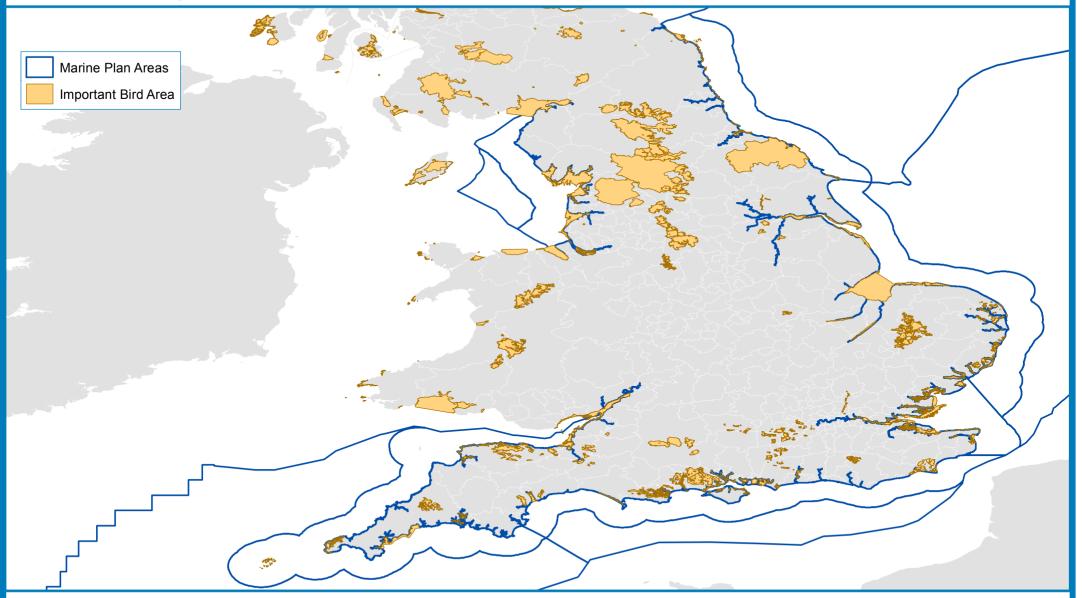
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Figure 9.3: Royal Society for the Protection of Birds -**Important Bird Areas**

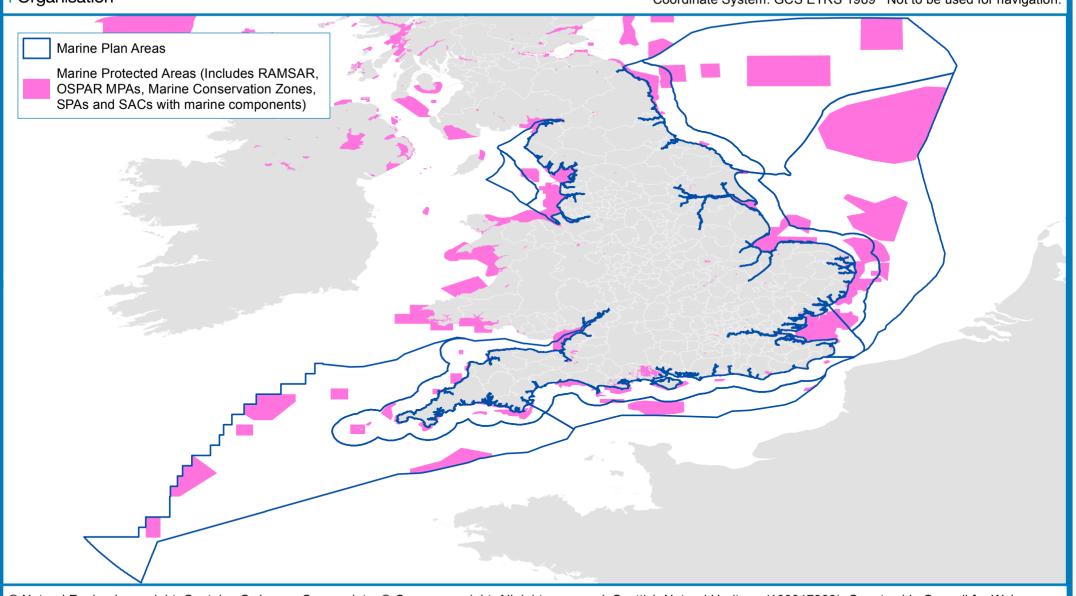
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Figure 9.4: Marine Protected Areas

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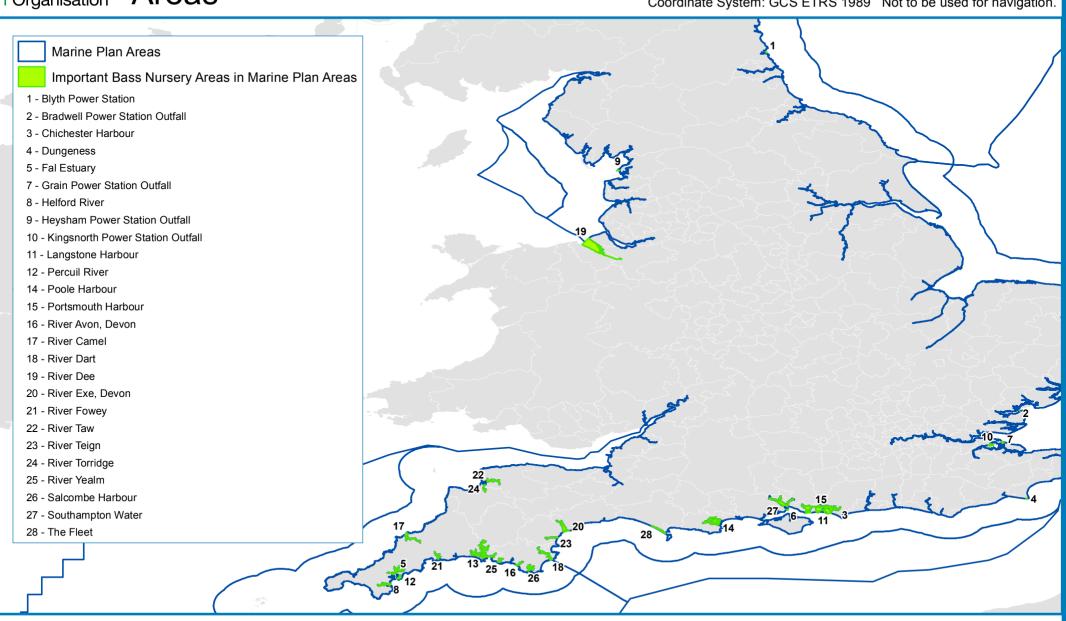


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Figure 9.5: Important Bass Nursery Areas in Marine Plan

Areas

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Figure 9.6: Grey seal average at-sea densities (seals per 5x5km)

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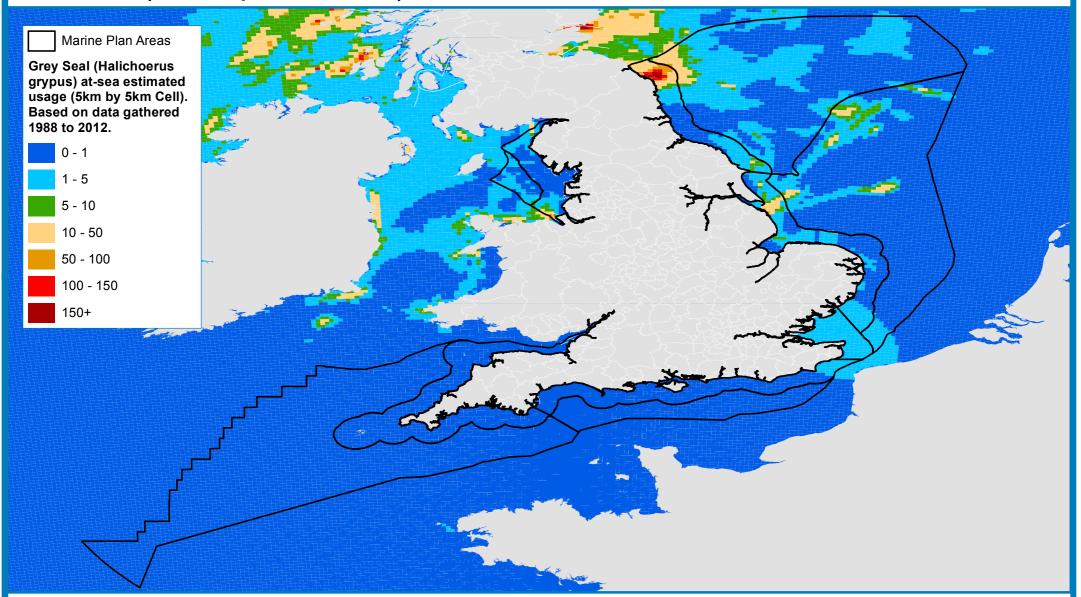


Figure 9.7: Grey seal average total at-sea and hauled-out densities (seals per 5x5km)

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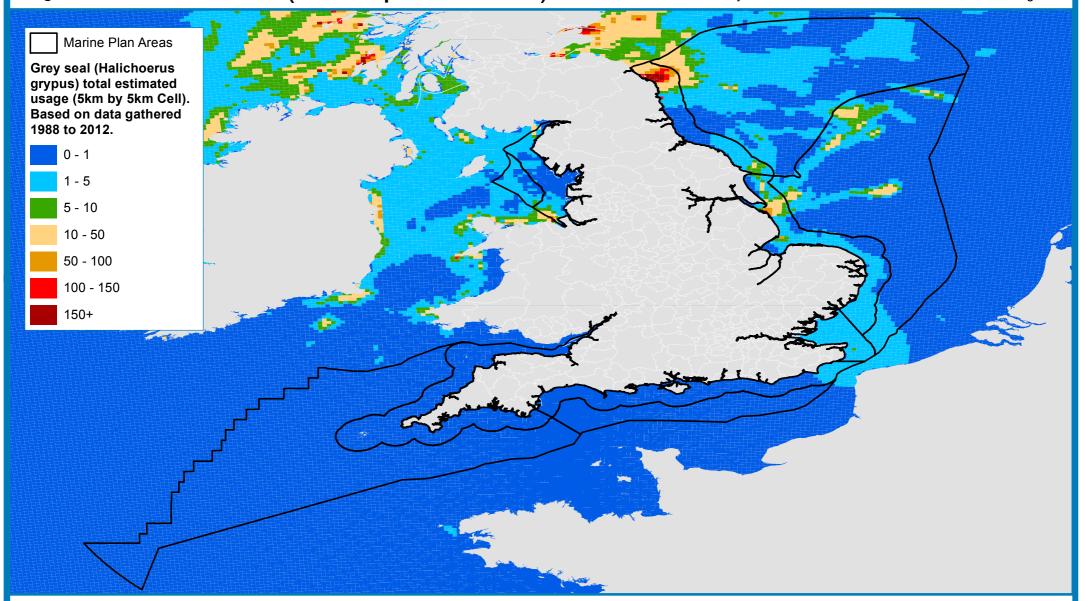


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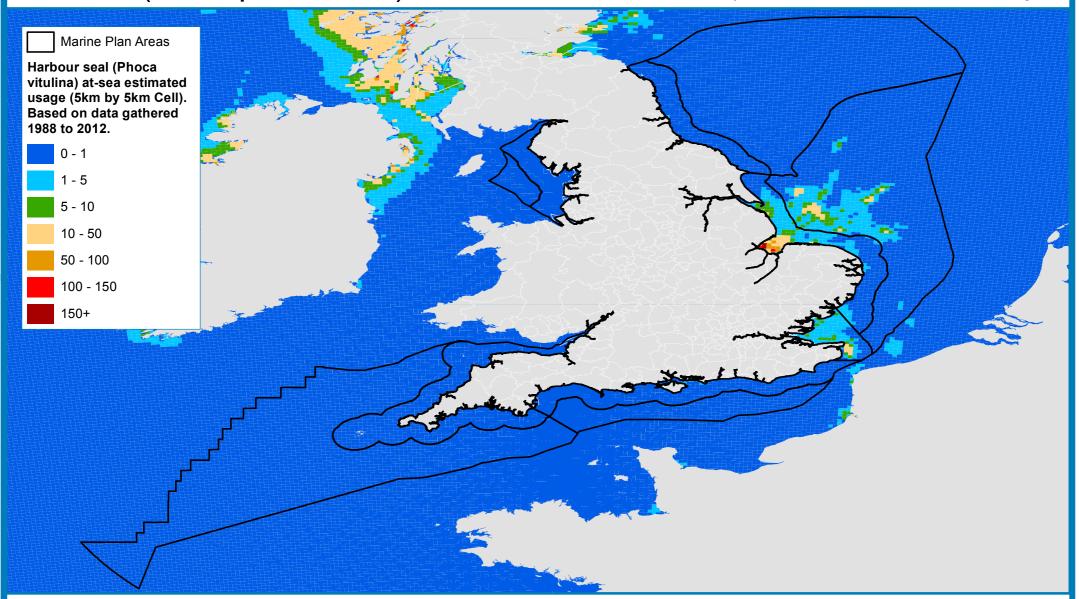


Figure 9.9: Harbour seal average total at-sea and hauled-out densities (seals per 5x5km)

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