



Offshore Petroleum Regulator
for Environment & Decommissioning

**SCOTTISH GOVERNMENT CONSULTATION ON A PROPOSED UK DOLPHIN
AND PORPOISE CONSERVATION STRATEGY**

We are contacting you to advise that on 22 March 2021, the Scottish Government (in collaboration with Defra, the Welsh Government, Department of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs in Northern Ireland and UK Statutory Nature Conservation Bodies) launched a consultation on a proposed UK Dolphin and Porpoise Conservation Strategy, which aims to ensure effective management to achieve and / or maintain favourable conservation status for nine of the most commonly found dolphin, porpoise and minke whale species in UK waters. The consultation is accessible at: <https://consult.gov.scot/marine-conservation/uk-dolphin-and-porpoise-conservation-strategy/> with a closing date for responses of 14 June 2021.

We hope this is helpful and sincere apologies for the belated notification about the consultation.

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