Joint Statement on Marine Conservation

Sea Bed User and Developer Group, Marine Conservation Society, RSPB, The Wildlife Trusts and WWF

- Working together for many years to achieve a sustainable marine economy and to designate a well-managed, ecologically coherent network of Marine Protected Areas (MPAs) in appropriate locations.
- We need a clear vision to ensure sustainable development and effective protection and restoration of the marine environment.
- With proper planning at a strategic level we could identify issues before they arise, provide a clearer, swifter and more consistent regulatory process which provides certainty.

Dr Lissa Batey, The Wildlife Trusts, #LivingSeas; Peter Barham, Seabed User and Developer Group #PeterBarham4

- Set out a clear vision for the marine environment within legislation.
- Use science more to help us understand the environment and how we can improve it.
- Streamline and improve the regulatory framework to encourage compliance and ensure delivery of legislation.
- Encourage government to ensure that adequate monitoring is in place to measure the condition of MPAs and the impacts of activities, to inform decision making in a timely manner, and to trigger management intervention where required.

A clear process is good for the environment and good for industry.

Industry can, and does, develop and apply good practice that is beneficial for the environment – more should be done to disseminate more widely.

Together we can make a difference.

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Sustainable Development Goals & the Marine Environment

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The 17 SDG were adopted by the UN to be achieved by 2030 – SDG14 (*Life Below Water*) cover the marine with 10 targets and 10 indicators adopted by the UN

e.g. TARGETS	e.g. INDICATORS
14.1 By 2025, prevent and significantly reduce marine pollution of all kinds, in particular from land-based activities, including marine debris and nutrient pollution	14.1.1 Index of coastal eutrophication and floating plastic debris density

(see complete table in Delegate notes pack)

But (and there is always a 'but'!):
The targets and indicators are not SMART (specific, measureable, achievable, realistic or time-bounded) so how will management success be determined?

(ICES-UNECE Working Group on Risk Assessment and Management for SDG14)

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Viewpoint

SMART marine goals, targets and management – Is SDG 14 operational or aspirational, is '*Life Below Water*' sinking or swimming?

Roland Cormier[a,*], Michael Elliott[b,*]

And:

The EU will implement the SDG14 through the MSFD (Marine Strategy Framework Directive) *but* reduced to (only!) 5 indicators proposed by EUROSTAT: (*but*: what will the UK use?)

- Surface of marine sites designated under NATURA 2000 (data source: DG ENV, EEA) (sdg_14_10)
- Estimated trends in fish stock biomass in NE Atlantic (data source JRC-STECF) (sdg_14_21)
- Assessed fish stocks exceeding fishing mortality at maximum sustainable yield (FMSY) in North East Atlantic (data source: JRC, STECF) (sdg_14_30)
- Bathing sites with excellent water quality by locality (data source: EEA) (sdg_14_40)
- Mean ocean acidity (data source: EEA) (sdg_14_50)

Thinking: blue skies or cloudy?

Oh, yeah???!

https://ec.europa.eu/eurostat/web/sdi/life-below-water

The Marine Social Sciences Network – An Update

Emma McKinley

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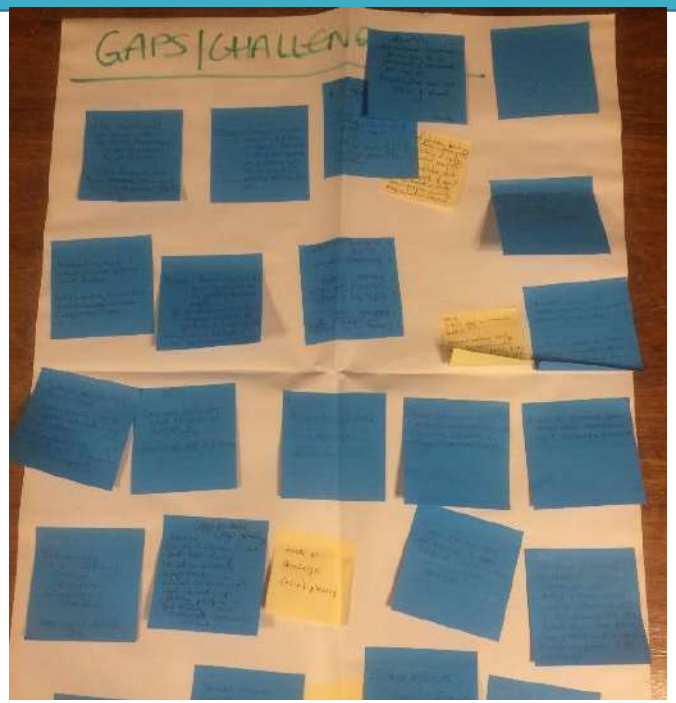

Growing the Marine Social Sciences Network- London Jan 2018

How are social sciences is helping to frame coastal and marine policy and management?

How can we work together to better promote social sciences and thinking in the marine and coastal context, potentially through the formation of a Marine Social Sciences Network.

The Marine Social Sciences Network – An Update

Emma McKinley

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Launching at the second Society and the Sea conference:
The values of the ocean and coasts for sustainable development
A new network for Social Scientists.

MarSocSci

The new Marine Social Sciences Network (MSSN) will be launched in a keynote address by Dr Emma McKinley at the Greenwich Maritime Centre's Society and the Sea Conference, 6th and7th September 2018. The Network will facilitate knowledge exchange between diverse stakeholders and establish an active community of interdisciplinary researchers, policy makers and practitioners from across the marine and coastal sector, with a view to increasing awareness and

Tweets by @MarSocSci

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ConsPlanGroup
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New paper: a systematic review of the socioeconomic factors that influence how marine protected areas impact on ecosystems and livelihoods
conservationplanning.org/201

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- Provide a 'home' for a growing community of marine social science researchers and practitioners.
- Provide a platform for **inter-, cross-, and multidisciplinary** dialogue and collaboration;
- Provide a role for marine social sciences as evidence across policy and management processes.
- Support local and regional MarSocSci groups – next meet up is Feb 5th (Plymouth)

The Marine Social Science Network will support:

Coordination and Communication

Capacity Building and Training

Supported by and working in collaboration with:

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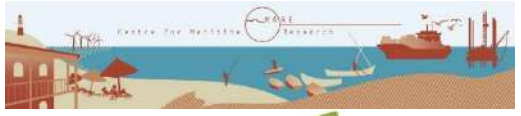

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marine conservation society

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University of Greenwich Greenwich Maritime Centre

mcg Maritime Charities Group

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UK Coastal Governance - Future Insights

Governance at a scale that links people's sense of place with the coastal ecosystem.

Coastal Futures 2019

Natasha Bradshaw, UWE Bristol

UK Coastal Governance - Future Insights

A single overview role for coastal matters.

Champion local collaborative efforts.

Statutory coastal plans.

Encourage trust by investing in local communities and communication effort.

We need vision.

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Coastal Partnerships 10 Year Review – Highlights

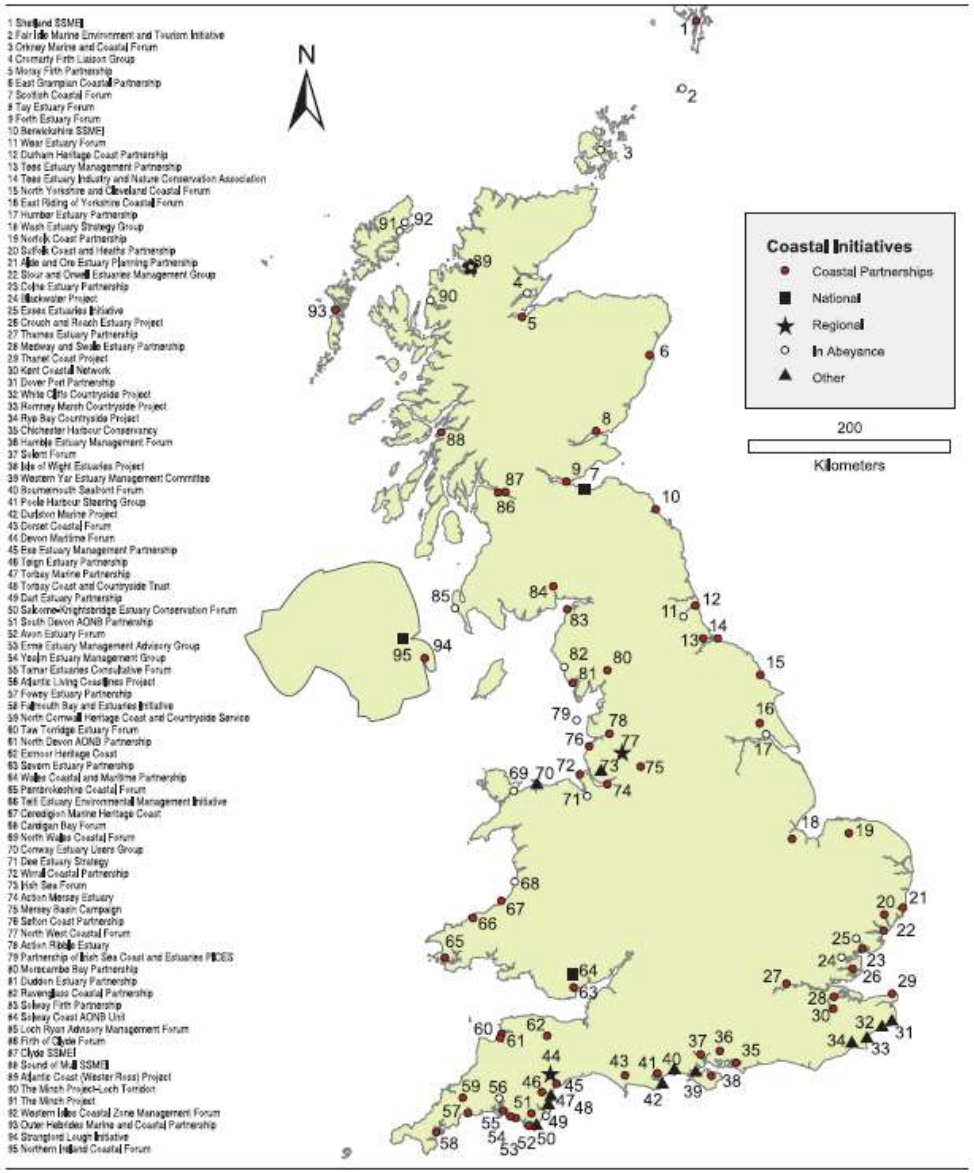
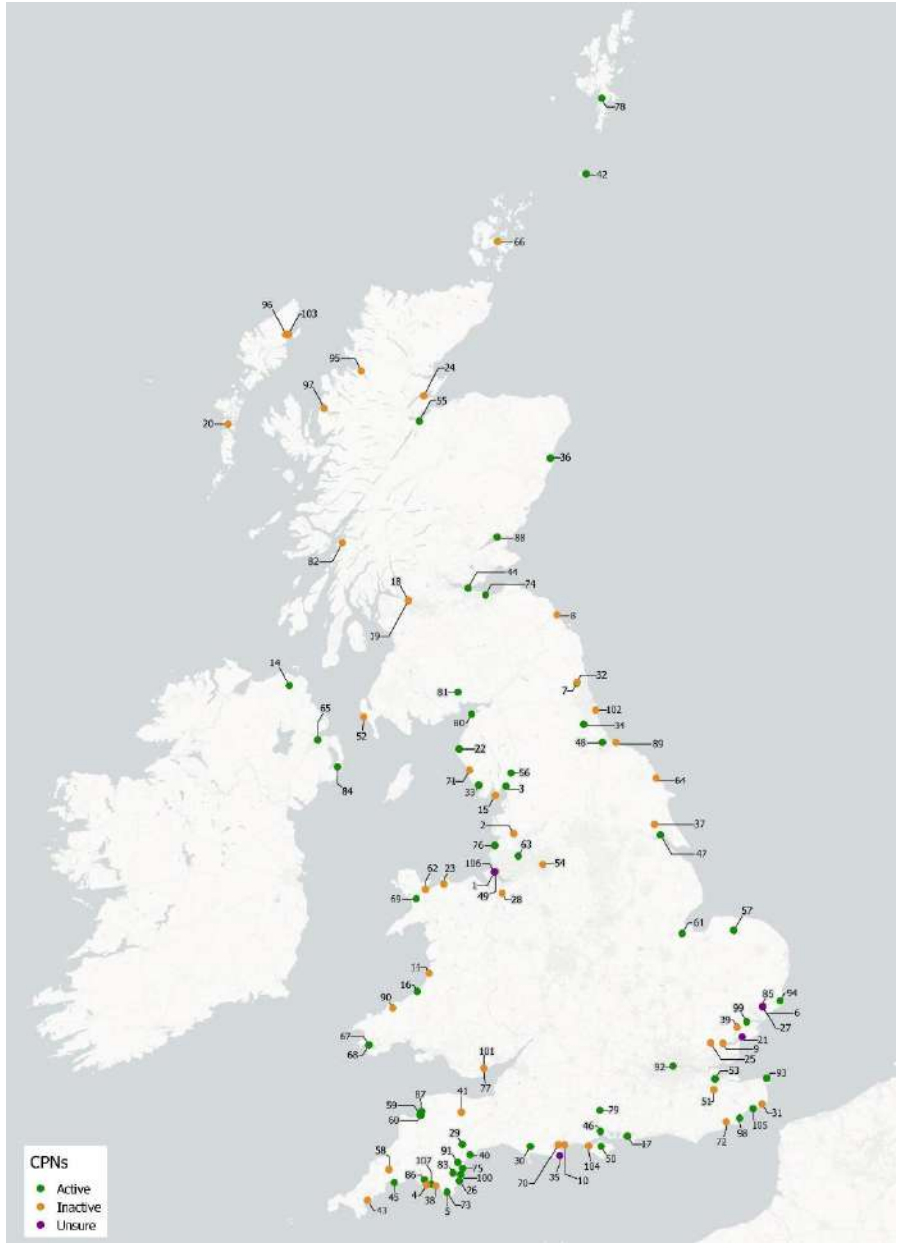
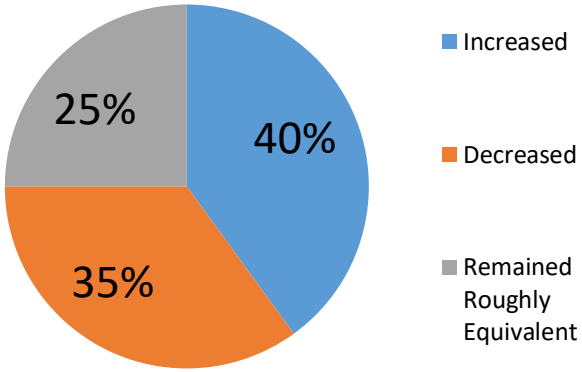


Figure 1 Coastal initiatives in the UK
Note: Sectoral initiatives not shown (see Table 1)



Coastal Partnerships Network

Coastal Partnership Activity



Coastal Partnerships 10 Year Review – Highlights

Headlines:

- Number has increased – partnership working still needed
- Diversity has increased
- Public sector austerity has led to some loss & amalgamation of partnerships
- Work driven by availability of funding - more project focussed
- Lack of central Government funding – lessons to be learned from Scotland.

What Next for CPN?

- National Audit Results/Report
- Action Plan 2019
- Seeking CIC Status – professionalise and strengthen
- Conferences:
  - 2nd Coastal Challenge Summit with Coastal Communities Alliance and Local Government Association Coastal SIG
  - Annual Coastal Partnerships Forum October 2019
  - CaBA/CPN Conference 2019
- Refreshed website – partner searches, celebrate successes = more visibility for the work we're all doing
- Estuary Forum – Estuary Edges

CPs very much have a role – locally grown, nationally important

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