

# Marine Planning in Scotland

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# National and Regional Marine Planning



## Scotland's National Marine Plan

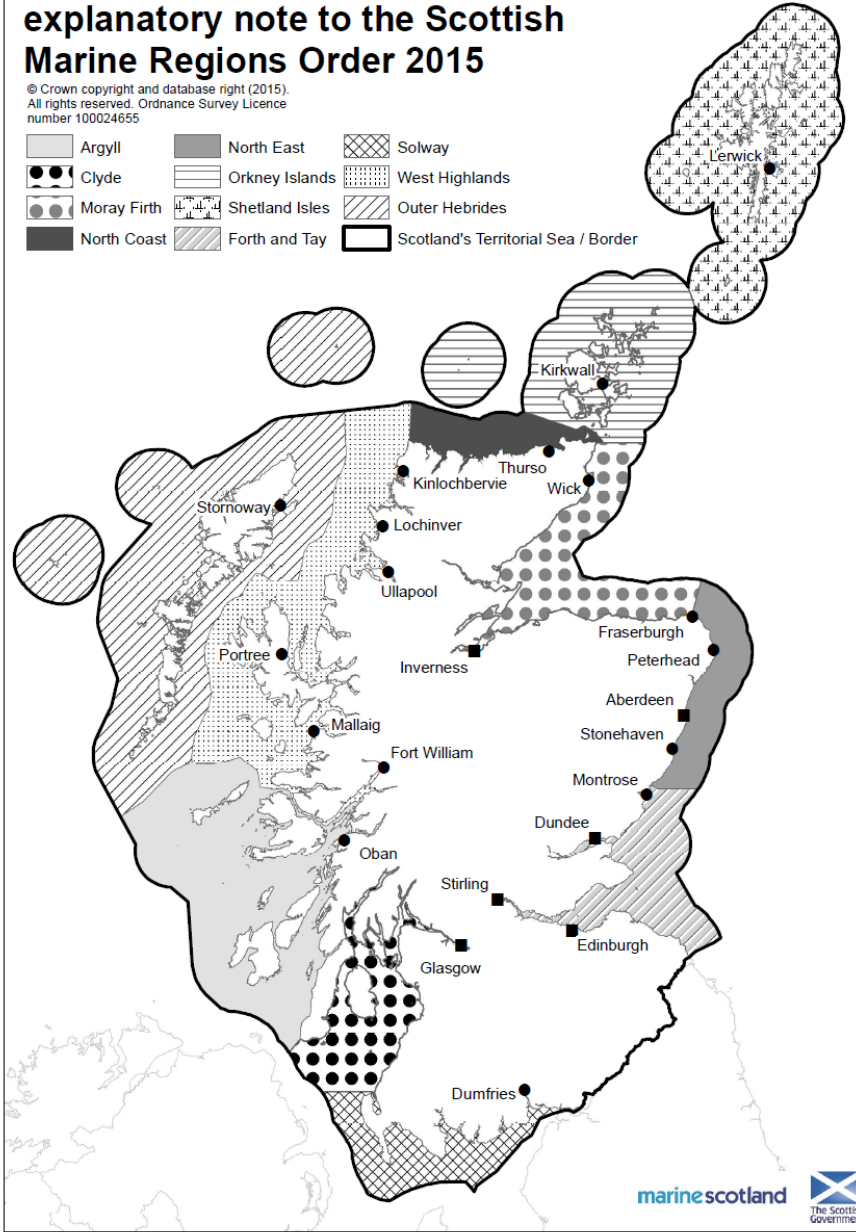
A Single Framework for Managing Our Seas



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# National Marine Plan Review



- Scope of Review

- To consider whether the National Marine Plan is meeting it's objectives (High Level)
- To consider the outcomes of monitoring of the NMP

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- To determine whether the National Marine Plan should be reviewed, not to review the content of the National Marine Plan
- To be completed by March 31<sup>st</sup> 2018

# Baseline Development



- **Scotland's Marine Atlas supported 1<sup>st</sup> NMP**
- **Final OSPAR Regional Assessment due Autumn 2017**
- **MSFD Regional Assessment due 2018**
- **.....Scotland's 2<sup>nd</sup> Marine Atlas? 2019-20?**
  - **How should we structure the information?**
  - **What do we need at National / Regional level?**

# New Responsibilities



- From 1<sup>st</sup> April 2017 new powers were devolved to Scottish Ministers':
  - Crown Estate Scotland
  - Decommissioning for Offshore Renewable Energy
- Implications for NMP / RMPs?
  - Scottish Minister's commitment to devolve inshore revenue from CES
  - Decommissioning – liabilities / opportunities?

# Constitutional Change / Future Challenges



- **Brexit**
  - Implications for Marine Environment, Fisheries.....
- **Independence Referendum II?**
  - Implications for Defence, Oil & Gas.....
- **Future Challenges**
  - Meeting COP21? North Sea Energy?

# Getting involved.....



- **Scottish Coastal Forum Event – Victoria Quay 29<sup>th</sup> September**
- **Marine Strategy Forum – 27<sup>th</sup> November**
- **Sectoral Engagement**
- **Questionnaire**
- **.....**
- **Face – to - Face**

# Regional Marine Planning in Scotland

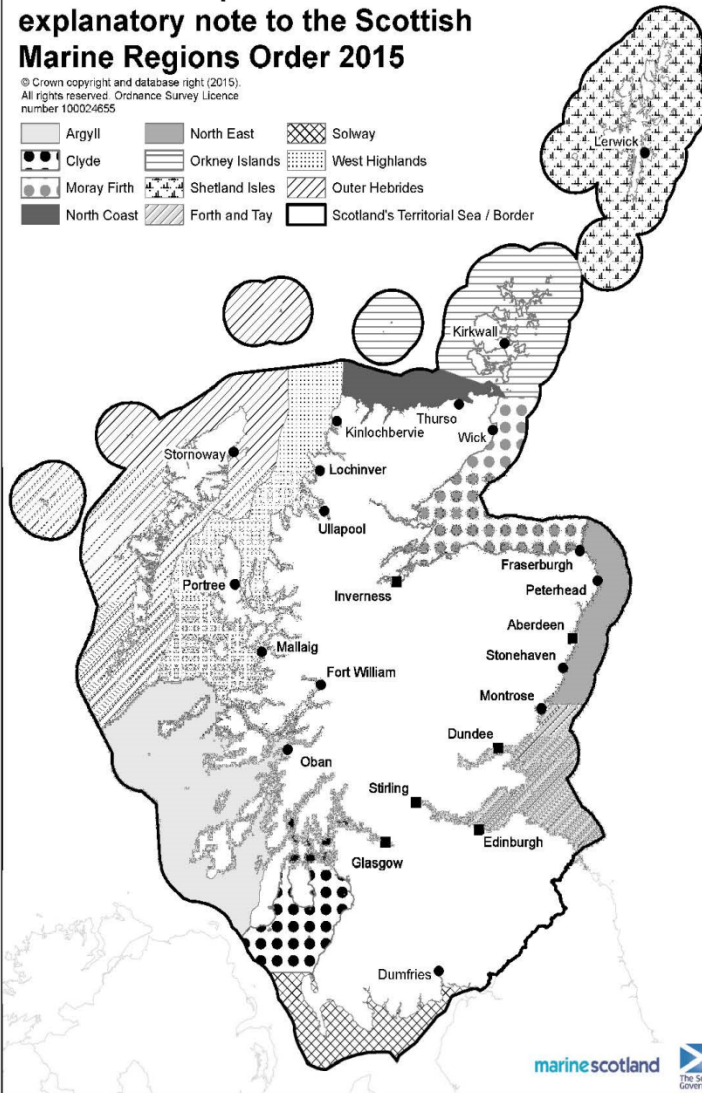
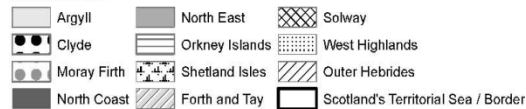
## Scottish Marine Regions



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- The Marine Scotland Act allows for the creation of Marine Regions and the delegation of powers to a local level
- 11 Scottish Marine Regions
- Extent of Regions is from MHWS to 12 nautical miles
- Delegation of Regional Planning to Marine Planning Partnerships
- Working to develop Marine Planning Partnerships (MPPs) in a step-wise manner.

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# Regional Marine Planning

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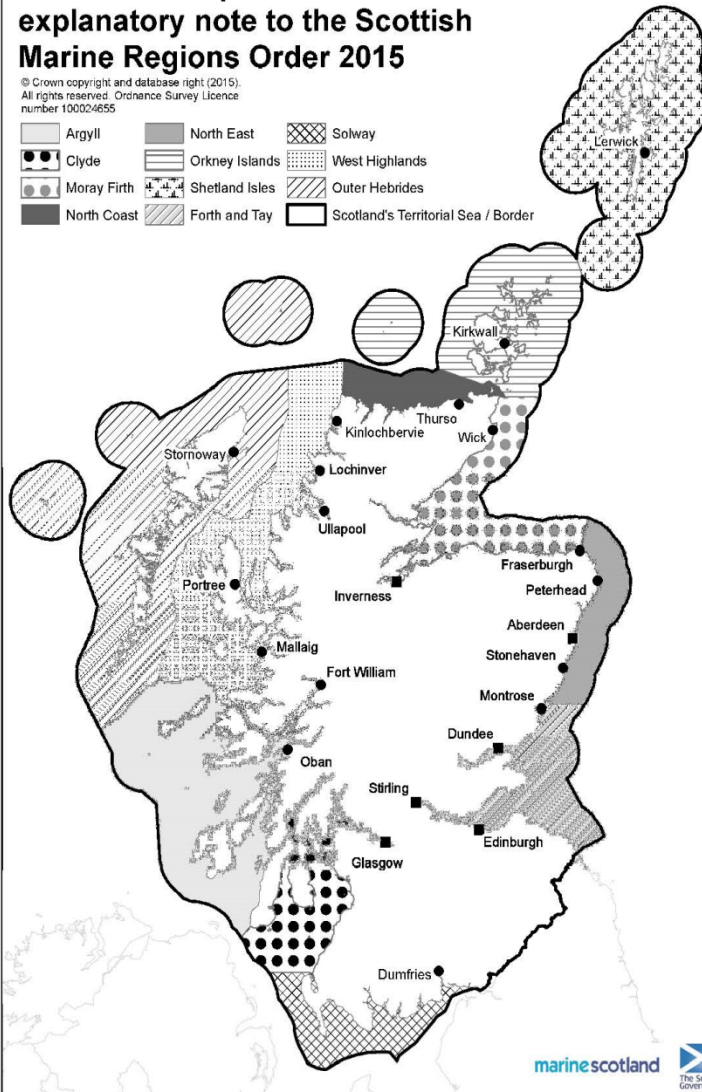


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- Roll-out of Regional Marine Planning expected to take a number of years
- Shetland Isles and Clyde are first 2 areas to take forward Regional Marine Planning
- Lessons learned from these will inform the next MPPs

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# Marine Planning Partnerships progress...



- **Shetland Delegate**
  - Shetland Islands Council and the NAFC Marine Centre
- **Clyde Delegate**
  - Clyde Marine Planning Partnership and the public authorities (total 23 members)
- **Progress:**
  - Shetland MPP
    - Prepared an Assessment (Draft) of their region
    - Drafting their Statement of Public Participation
  - Clyde MPP
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- **Orkney Islands – the next MPP Region - announced June 2017**

# Regional Planning for the East Coast



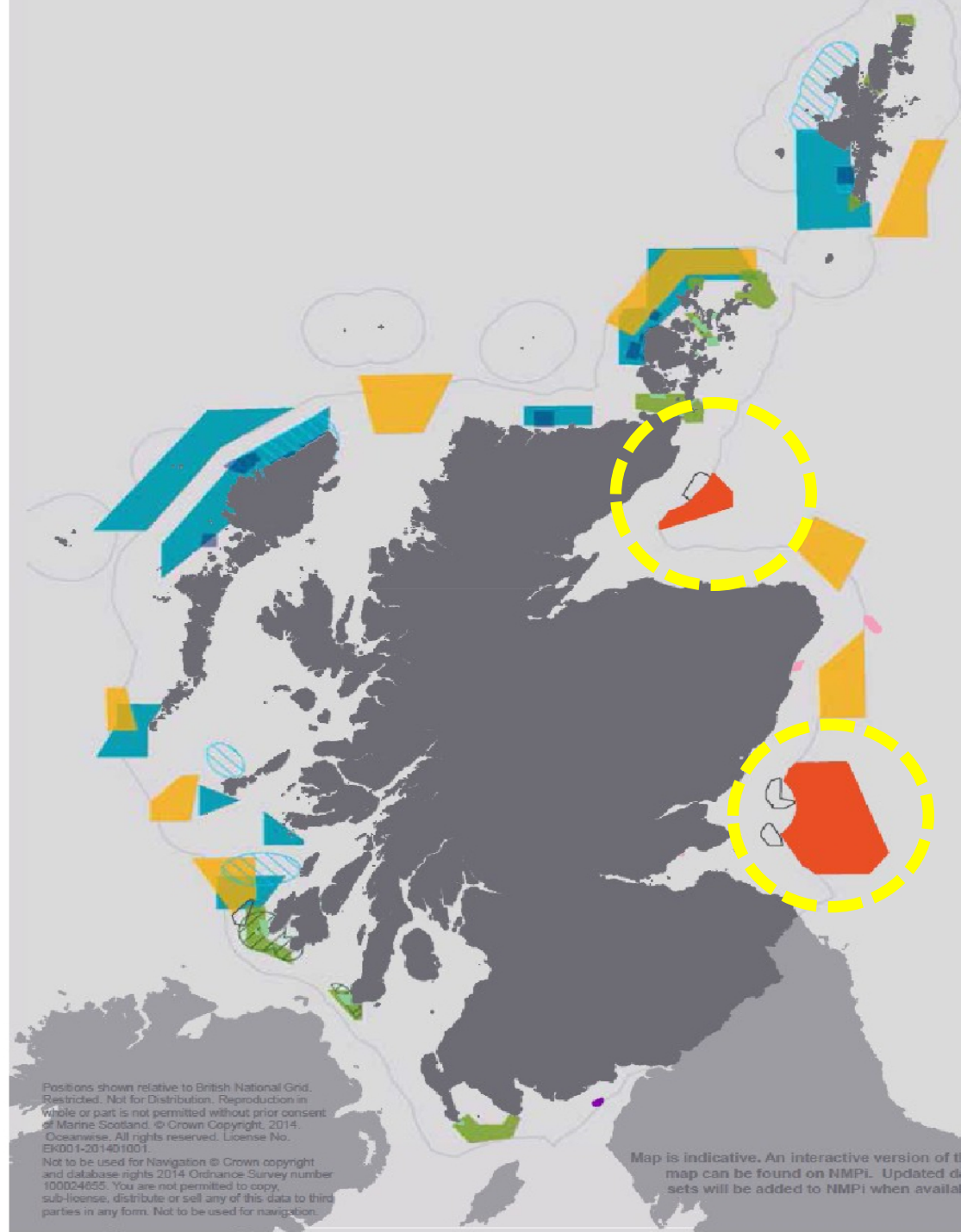
- **Lessons learned.....**
  - **Clyde MPP**
  - **Shetland MPP**
- **Size, Membership, Local Authorities**
- **Key Issues....**

# Sectoral Marine Plans

Consented  
Developments  
(outlined)

Offshore Wind  
Wave  
Tidal

Planned  
Developments



# Forward look.....



## Review and monitoring

Statutory requirement to keep under review effectiveness of policies and progress towards securing objectives. Plan will be reviewed within 3 years from adoption (2018)

## Establishing Marine Planning Partnerships

Clyde and Shetland Regional Marine Plans to be developed will include regional data collation and stakeholder engagement

Lessons learned will be inform how we develop future RMPs

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**Questions????**

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