

Questionnaire  
Regional Representatives for the Irish Sea Conservation Zone Stakeholder Group

<b>Workshop SG feedback</b>	<b>Liverpool</b>
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## Regional Representatives for the Regional Stakeholder Group

### 1 The role of regional representatives

Regional representatives need to be people who:

- Are trusted and respected within their sector or activity
- Have a good network of contacts within their sector, activity or interest
- Can explain the needs and interests of those they represent
- Can take a regional view
- Have the time and interest to participate in a lot of workshops and comment on draft documents or maps.

We currently think that there will be about 8 day-long workshops in the process set over the next 18 months. Each workshop will build on the work of the previous stage so the representative will need to commit to doing their best to attend the full set. At times, this may be one every other month and later workshops may need to run over two days.

The role of a regional representative on the Stakeholder Group is to:

- Have or develop a regional view of their sector or activity
- Represent the views of their activity or interest across the region
- Provide information and insight into the activity or interest
- Provide two-way communication between those they represent and the Stakeholder Group
- Negotiate over the optimum locations for the Marine Conservation Zones
- Comment on draft text, maps or other documents as they develop
- Do their best to attend all the workshops in the process

#### a. Tell us what you think of the description of the type of person and their role?

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#### What, if anything, would need to happen to increase your support?

Participant number	Event	
4	2	Be realistic in expecting a wide regional knowledge
8	2	Are professionally employed and have an active role in coastal management.
11	2	Linkage to the Marine Bill i.e. ecological coherence (who will represent this); the may vs must in-balance.
13	2	Role needs to be a strong advocate for their sector/interest and be able to see other's perspectives.
20	2	For you to consider supporting participation of key representatives by providing travel and expenses. This may be a significant barrier to some stakeholders.

25	2	Do regional representatives need to consider national level issues and if so should it be a requirement?
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## 2 The process for selecting regional representatives

- The ISCZ has put together a long list of stakeholders comprising over 600 organisations.
- Invitations were sent out to them, to attend these workshops
- At the workshops, people are being asked to comment, via this questionnaire, on the composition of the Stakeholder Group.
- It is likely that more than one person or organisation will be suggested for some interests. When this happens the current plan is to contact the people on the list and ask them to confirm if they are able to take up the role if selected and also to short list names from the list. We, as independent facilitators, will review the short list looking for good geographic coverage particularly across the different user interests.
- National and international stakeholders are being identified and will be added to the Group
- The final list of people will be invited to the first Stakeholder Group workshop, which is planned for late this year or early next year.

### b. Please let us know below what you think of this:

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8	2	A broad knowledge = perhaps not a very specific knowledge of a specialist area?
16	2	Is geographic coverage the best criteria?
20	2	Essential to have a Welsh, Isle of Man, Scottish, N. Ireland and Ireland input.
25	2	National stakeholders will have difficulty in attending 4 regional groups and dedicate the resources required.
26	2	Clearer aim and objectives.

## 3 Structure of the regional part of the Stakeholder group

Please see the draft suggestions we (**dialogue matters**) have come up with.

**This is very much just our best guess for now and we really need your views.**

In compiling this list we have:

- Aimed to be inclusive and reflect the main marine interests in the region: marine industries, fisheries, recreation and environment.
- Identified some of the organisations we know of with relevant statutory responsibilities who have to have a seat on the Stakeholder Group – but we could have got this wrong so please check.
- Added in other interests whose perspective we think may be needed

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The resulting list may look long, but with facilitated workshops, it is possible to include this number of people - and more because the national stakeholders have yet to be added.

We want your views so please use this form to consider:

1. If you can suggest names of people you would like to sit on the Stakeholder Group
2. If the structure seems reasonable and representative across all interests
3. If not, how it could be changed

- a. Please consider the list of potential members below. The list is aiming to include a wide range of regional marine users, interests and organisations. Please look at the list and insert people you would like to suggest. For any suggestions you make, please suggest how they can be contacted.**

	Stakeholder interests	Suggestions for who could represent this interest for the region?	Where in the region do they know?	Contact info – organisation	Participant number
<b>Industries (8)</b>					
1.	<i>Marine and Fisheries Agency (marine works)</i>	Steve Brown	Carlisle to Dee Estuary	NW & N Wales Sea Fisheries Committee	8
		CEFAS			11
2.	Shipping	Chamber of Shipping			14
3.	Ports and Harbours	Chris Hallam		Harbour Master, Dee Conservancy 0151 632 3733	8
		Peel Ports/Mersey Docks & Harbour Co	Liverpool CR/Merseyside		10
		Mersey Docks & Harbour Co			13
		Peel Ports/ABP			14
4.	Energy Sector - renewables	Peel Energy Mark Knowles – The Mersey Partnership (TMP)	Liverpool CR	TMP: 0151 227 2727, mark.knowles@merseyside.org.uk	10
		Peel Energy			13
		Dong Energy/Siemens			14
		Richard Burrows	All	University of Liverpool	17
		University of Liverpool	Irish Sea	www.liv.ac.uk/engdept/tidalpower	18
		1) BWEA	1) UK	1) <a href="mailto:p.madigan@bwea.com">p.madigan@bwea.com</a>	25
		2) However ind. companies in local area may be better	2) National companies	2) To be confirmed	
5.	Energy Sector - Oil and Gas	BHP Biliton			14
		BHP Biliton, Wales			22
6.	Sand and gravel extraction	Mersey Sand			14

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7.	Sub sea cables				
8.	Small scale marine industries				
<b>Commercial Fishing (8)</b>					
9.	<i>Marine and Fisheries Agency (fishing)</i>				
10.	<i>Sea Fisheries Committee</i>				
11.	Trawling				
12.	Seine netting				
13.	Static Gear (pots, creeling, gill netting, fixed nets)				
14.	Aquaculture				
15.	Seafood processing				
16.					
<b>Natural Environment (8)</b>					
17.	<i>Joint Nature Conservancy Council</i>				
18.	<i>Natural England</i>	Hannah Gate	Wirral	Crewe Office	8
19.	<i>Environment Agency</i>	Clive Gaskell	Region	clive.gaskell@environment-agency.gov.uk	21
20.	Habitats NGO	Wildlife Trust (don't know contact)			1
		Kathryn Turner	Irish Sea	NW Wildlife Trusts	11
		The Wildlife Trusts	Wales, NW England	Dave Dunlop – Lancs, GM & Merseyside	13
		UK Sand Dune & Shingle Network	Near shore species; use of sediments	Liverpool Hope University – Paul Rooney dunes@hope.ac.uk	20
21.	Birds NGO	RSPB – Andrew Gouldstone	English coast/inshore but colleagues in Wales and UK	andrew.gouldstone@rspb.org.uk	1
		Carl Clee	Liverpool Bay	Liverpool Bay Wader Study Group (Liverpool Museum)	8
		RSPB	Liverpool Bay – Solway - Wales	Tim	13
		RSPB			16
		Dr Simon Dowell		Liverpool John Moores University	19
22.	Marine animals NGO	Shark Trust and/or Whale & Dolphin Conservation		May have local	1

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		Society		contacts	
		Kathryn Turner	Irish Sea	NW Wildlife Trusts	11
		Tim Mitcham - Wildlife Trust for Lancashire, N Merseyside & Greater Manchester	Coastal areas of Lancashire & N Merseyside	See their website; HQ at Cuerden Valley	20
23.	Proudman Oceanographic Laboratory	Phil Knight	Irish Sea/Liverpool Bay coast observatory (Irish Sea)	<a href="mailto:pjk@pol.ac.uk">pjk@pol.ac.uk</a> , <a href="http://cobs.pol.ac.uk/">http://cobs.pol.ac.uk/</a> , <a href="http://www.pol.ac.uk">www.pol.ac.uk</a>	6
24.	Marine Plants	Kathryn Turner	Irish Sea	NW Wildlife Trusts	11
	National Trust Neptune Coastline Campaign		Formby north of Liverpool - NT own part of coastline		27
<b>Leisure and tourism (6)</b>					
25.	Tourism and recreation	Josef Hanik	Wirral	Senior Ranger Wirral's Coast 0151 678 5488	8
		The Mersey Partnership/Mersey Waterfront	Liverpool City region	0151 227 2727	10
26.	Charter Boating				
27.	Sea Angling	Wirral Sea Angling Club	Wirral/Liverpool Bay	Moreton Angling Centre	8
28.	Diving				
29.	Recreational (inshore) craft	Safewater Training Sea School	Wirral	website	8
		RYA	Whole area		26
30.	Yachts and Cruisers	RYA NW region also for Mersey local clubs joined together to form loose alliance.	NW/whole region		10
		RYA or Liverpool Yacht Club	Whole area		26
<b>Heritage (3)</b>					
31.	<i>English Heritage</i>				
32.	Coastal Heritage	National Museums Liverpool	Merseyside		4
33.	Marine archaeology	Rob Philpot	Merseyside	Liverpool Museum	8
<b>Navigation and Safety (1)</b>					
34.	<i>Maritime &amp; Coastguard Agency</i>	Steve Travis	Wirral	Wirral Coastguard HQ	8
<b>Owners (2)</b>					
35.	Crown Estate	Don't know, but very important			11
		Have a stakeholder officer	UK wide	tim.norman@thecrownestate.co.uk	25
36.	MOD	Commander, Altcar Rifle			22

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		Range			
<b>Science, research &amp; education (2)</b>					
37.	Education	National Museums Liverpool	Merseyside mainly	Ian Wallace (initial)	4
38.	Marine Scientist	Liverpool University/Bangor University	All over		4
<b>Regional and coastal counties/authorities (6)</b>					
39.	<i>NW Regional Development Agency</i>	Richard Tracey (?)	Mersey Estuary – links to adapting landscape – overview of environmental quality.		10
		Mark Atherton	Region	mark.atherton@nwda.co.uk	21
40.	<i>Government Office North West</i>				
41.	<i>Cumbria County Council</i>				
42.	<i>Lancashire County Council</i>				
43.	<i>Cheshire County Council</i>				
44.	<i>Liverpool City Council</i>	Liverpool City Region Environmental and Waste Board (Alan Jemmett)			14

b. **We have tried to create a structure that reflects the main regional interests in the Irish Sea. To what extent do you support the proposed structure and balance of the regional representatives on the Stakeholder Group?**

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What do you like about what you see?

Participant number	Event	
1	2	Very pleased to see that there are a number of 'Natural Environment' places including at least 3 NGOs. Bringing this breadth of knowledge/expertise to the group is very important.
8	2	Wirral Council omitted! Includes management of Dee and Mersey estuaries and North Wirral foreshore, one of the most important protected sites in UK!
10	2	Broad range of views and representatives linked to industries, activities and organisations involved in holistically looking at the NW.
11	2	I'd like to see the trawlers here.
13	2	Range of groups/sectors represented – mix of statutory, commercial and non-statutory bodies.

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16	2	Need 2 places for wet renewables e.g. wind and tidal, not sure of need for MFA as same voice appears elsewhere.
21	2	Wide range of representatives inclusive of exploitation and nature conservation.
25	2	We are keen to engage with the process and make it work. We support a more planned approach and greater levels of marine environmental protection. The structure is ambitious for the timeline available and it is brave to push for a stakeholder driven process.
28	2	Good overall view – need to make sure regional group really represents the local authorities.

What would need to happen for you to increase your support?

Participant number	Event	
4	2	More evidence of national collaboration and co-ordination: Wales, IOM, Ireland, Scotland, England
10	2	Add additional members from councils missed (see next section) and organisations with local strategic remit. If space limited ask reps from all councils to nominate one or two reps for them all.
11	2	I'd like to be confident about the role of the group in the process.
17	2	Need to add representatives of coastal partnerships: PISCES – Susannah Bleakly, Morecambe Bay Partnership; North West Coastal Forum – Caroline Salthouse.
19	2	Welsh and Scottish opinions regarding the areas need to be taken on in the planning process right from the beginning to facilitate quicker cost-effective decisions. International experts need to be involved right from the start. A much higher number of experienced marine scientists need to be involved.
21	2	Need to include more coastal local authorities for direct engagement; Blackpool, Allerdale etc do not confirm to County opinions!
22	2	Agencies such as North West Coastal Forum can represent several organisations.
25	2	We are concerned about the balance between national and local consultation. Both are fundamentally important and local consultees are harder to identify, however the national coordination seems to be weak.
28	2	I already support this work greatly

**c. If you want to add different activities or organisations, please say what you would add and which you would remove to make room for it, and why.**

Participants number	Event	I would add	I would remove	Because ...
1	2	National Trust		Owner/manager of much coast (though could also be 1 of the environmental interests).
4	2	Informal un-organised leisure e.g. walking		The major shore activity. Do not ignore just because it is not organised and has no large cost involved.
10	2	Wirral Metropolitan Borough Council		



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10	2	Sefton Council – Dave McAleavy, Andrew Hall		
12	2	Wirral Council		
13	2	Liverpool City Region Environment & Waste Board (sub-regional local government framework for Merseyside)	Liverpool City Council	Know the Dee, Mersey, Ribble and outwards. Contacts: Dr A Jemmett (Director); Merseyside EAS – alan.jemmett@eas.sefton.gov.uk
13	2	North West Coastal Forum		
13	2		'Coastal Heritage'	Covered through English Heritage representation.
14	2	Duchy of Lancaster		Landowner
16	2	Tidal Energy	MFA	Big growth industry of UK Plc to meet CO <sub>2</sub> targets.
17	2	PISCES		Key sources of knowledge
17	2	North West Coastal Forum		Key sources of knowledge
17	2	More education/research reps		Different areas of expertise: marine biology, earth science, civil engineering, spatial planning etc.
21	2	Sefton Council	GONW	Sefton are most active in coastal areas; GONW are not independent.
27	2	Royal National Lifeboat		Operation of rescue craft in area - related to access by surface craft to restricted zones.
28	2	4NW – Caroline Salthouse		Knowledge of whole region.