

Annex F

ADDITIONAL FEATURES RECOMMENDED FOR INCLUSION IN FIRST TRANCHE MCZs

A number of additional features, which would help fill gaps in the network, have been identified in 1st tranche designated MCZs. These sites and the additional features are described below.

NE WATERS

North East of Farnes Deep

This offshore site is located in the North Sea and protects an area of 492 km². The four additional features would be: subtidal mud; mud habitats in deep water; subtidal mixed sediments; and ocean quahog. There are no additional costs to business attributable to the inclusion of these features.

SE WATERS

Beachy Head West

This inshore site runs parallel to the East Sussex coastline, from Brighton to the Beachy Head Cliffs, and protects an area of 24 km². The two additional features would be: moderate energy circalittoral rock and high energy circalittoral rock. There are no additional costs to business attributable to the inclusion of these features.

SW WATERS

South Dorset

This inshore site is located off the south coast of Dorset, south-east of Swanage, and protects an area of 193 km². The one additional feature would be moderate energy circalittoral rock. There are no additional costs to business attributable to the inclusion of this feature.

Chesil Beach and Stennis Ledges

This inshore site runs along the length of Chesil Beach to the Isle of Portland off the Dorset coast and protects an area of 37 km². The one additional feature would be high energy infralittoral rock. There are no additional costs to business attributable to the inclusion of this feature.

Torbay

This inshore site on the South Devon coast protects an area of 20 km². The one additional feature would be peat and clay exposures. There are no additional costs to business attributable to the inclusion of this feature.

Upper Fowey and Pont Pill

This inshore site consists of two spatially separate estuary areas on the south coast of Cornwall and protects a total area of 2 km². The one additional feature would be intertidal sand and muddy sand. There are no additional costs to business attributable to the inclusion of this feature.

The Manacles

This inshore site is located on the south coast of Cornwall and protects a total area of 3.5 km². The three additional features would be: subtidal coarse sediment; subtidal mixed sediment; and pink sea-fan. There are no additional costs to business attributable to the inclusion of these features.

East of Haig Fras

This is an offshore site located north west of Cornwall and protects an area of 400 km². The two additional features would be: subtidal mud; and mud habitats in deep water. There are no additional costs to business attributable to the inclusion of these features.

South West Deeps (West)

This large offshore site is located in the far western area of UK waters and protects an area of 1,824 km². The three additional features would be: subtidal mud; mud habitats in deep water and fan mussel. There are no additional costs to business attributable to the inclusion of these features.

IRISH SEA

Fylde

This inshore site is located off the coast of North West England and protects an area of 260 km². The one additional feature would be subtidal mud. There are no additional costs to business attributable to the inclusion of this feature.