Consultation Response

Proposal to designate two historic marine protected areas

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Our Marine Law sub-committee welcomes the opportunity to consider and respond to the Scottish Government’s consultation on a Proposal to designate two historic marine protected areas¹. We do not seek to answer the consultation questions but have the following comments to put forward for consideration.

General comments

We note that maps of the relevant areas are available. In the interests of accessibility of the law and clarity and certainty for individuals and businesses, it would be useful to have maps of the areas concerned appended to any designation order made in respect of these areas. This would allow the Marine Protected Areas to be easily identified, while the more detailed definition is that with full legal force. It is important that any maps and descriptions are sufficiently detailed as to allow the area to be clearly identified.

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