



Firth of Clyde Forum Core Group Meeting

4th July 2013, 12:30 for lunch, 13:00 start

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Agenda

| | | Time | Lead |
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| | Sandwich Lunch Available | 12:30 | |
| 1 | Welcome and Apologies | 13:00 | Isabel Glasgow |
| 2 | Minutes and Action Points from last meeting | 13:10 | IG |
| 3 | Marine Planning Partnership structure and governance <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Update ➤ Work plan update | 13:20 | IG / Sarah Brown |
| 4 | National Planning Framework 3 | 13:40 | John Esslemont |
| 5 | Project updates <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Biosecurity Planning ➤ Sea Level Rise ➤ Landscape Seascape Assessment – follow up work | 13:55 | SB |
| 6 | Consultations <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ National Marine Plan ➤ Marine Protected Areas ➤ Offshore Renewables | 14:10 | Lynsay Ross/SB |
| 7 | Any Other Business/Update from Core Group members | 14:30 | ALL |
| 8 | Future Meeting Date | 15:00 | ALL |
| | Close | | |



Minutes

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PRESENT

Isabel Glasgow (IG) FoCF Chair
Roger Horne, Clydeport
Paul Bancks (PB) The Crown Estate
Michelle Carroll (MC) GCVSPJC
John Esslemont (JE) Ayrshire Joint Planning
Sarah Brown (SB) FoCF
Arthur Keller (AK) SNH
Lynsay Ross (LR) Marine Scotland (MS)
Olivia Burns (OB) LLTNP
Liz Reynolds (LR) SSE Renewables

APOLOGIES

Archie MacFarlane (AMacF) Clyde Fishermen's Association
Toby Wilson (TW) RSPB
Rhona Fairgrieve (RF) Scottish Coastal Forum
Carolyn Elder (CE) BMFS
Donald McLaren (DMcL) RYAS and CYCA
David Adams McGilp, VS
Wendy Geary, MS
Mark Steward (MS) A&BC
Clive Haywood, MoD
Phillip Cowie (PC) UMBSM
Rebecca Dean (RD) Scottish Salmon Company
Ron Bailey (RB) Clydeport
Eamonn Campbell (EC) Glasgow City Council
Richard Millar (RM) Scottish Canals

1) Minutes

The minutes were agreed as an accurate record of the meeting. A new representative from the LLTNP, Liv Burns, was welcomed to the Core Group. Lynsay Ross and Liz Reynolds were also welcomed to the meeting.

2) Matters Arising

Marine Litter Strategy – The consultation on the Scottish Government's Marine Litter Strategy has begun and ends on 27th September 2013. The Forum welcomed the publication of the report and agreed that the Core Group should respond in writing to the consultation. Any response will not prejudice any individual member of the Forum from issuing their own responses.

Action Point – SB to check strategy for Clyde relevant aspects and draft a response for circulation to Core Group for sign off.

Community Mapping – SB noted the hugely helpful support from SNH with regard to sorting out this work and subsequent work on databases.

Action Point – Core Group (SB) to write to SNH and thank them for their support.

Landscape/Seascape – Web page hosting the full report is now running, see http://clydeforum.com/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=69&Itemid=77. A Sharing Good Practice event, with support from SNH, is scheduled for June 2014, this will allow time for the consultants to produce a summary report for dissemination.

Action Point – SB to write to Alison Grant and ask for a summary report and confirm the June 2014 event with SGP team. There is potential for this event to combine with talks/workshop on marine planning.

Action Points from previous meeting

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| AP 20/03 1 | RF to check timings of Marine Scotland litter strategy | RF/SB DONE |
| AP 20/03 2 | SB to organise Zero Waste information for circulation to Core Group | SB - DONE |
| AP 20/03 3 | SB to make amendments to SLR project | SB - DONE |
| AP 20/03 4 | Core Group to seek funding and support/data sources on receipt of briefing from SB with regard to Sea Level Rise Project | ALL - DONE |
| AP 20/03 5 | <p>Work Plan Action Points</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Include time in the workplan to update the database once a year. • Send invitation for people to sign up to receive the newsletter. • Change title to 'On the Clyde' not In. • Organise with Alison Grant to run a number of workshops • Work with the Sharing Good Practice team at SNH to design the events and advertise them. • Send INNS posters to all Local Coastal Partnerships. | SB - DONE |
| AP 20/03 6 | Invite Scottish Canals to join the FoCF | SB - DONE |
| AP 20/03 7 | Approach local MSP's to invite them to attend information events/site visits | SB - DONE |
| AP 20/03 8 | Core Group members to suggest the best contact at their organisation for the Forum to approach to help with awareness raising and buy in. | ALL - Continuing |

3) Marine Planning – Structure and Governance

LR – the progress on this has been slow due to department commitments to the 3 marine consultations. The departure of the main point person (Zac Tuck) has also been a set back. The

work done by the Forum on this issue has formed part of a package sent to the lawyers for their opinion on the legality of proposals. MS is awaiting feedback from them at this stage.

Draft Regional Marine Boundaries report has been laid before Parliament where it will remain for 40 working Parliamentary days. It was noted that the first 2 Regional Marine Planning Partnerships must be in place by the end of 2014.

IG suggested that, due to the delays, MS should consider giving a commitment to extend the contracts of the staff involved. This would give continuity and security to both the staff and the stakeholders.

Action Point : LR to follow up with David Palmer re an extension to staff contracts/support by MS to the Forum.

The major, 16 week, marine consultation exercise is anticipated to begin in week beginning 22nd July. It is to include the Planning Circular and will include 6 large city based events which will include presentations and drop in sessions and a series of smaller, more local events which are more likely to be drop in sessions.

LR asked the Forum to provide support by making their networks aware of the consultation and informing MS as to how the Forum would like to be engaged with the consultation, eg is the group willing and able to attend consultation events or would they like a meeting with MS?

Action Point : Core Group members to inform SB about their desired engagement with the consultations.

4) National Planning Framework 3

JE – Following a call for national development proposals the Forum submitted a paper to the NPF3 team, this was unsuccessful. The Main Issues Report (MIR – currently out to consultation until 23rd July) highlights some areas of concern and includes some detail on aspects of development in the Firth of Forth and the Firth of Clyde. In the Clyde two areas have been spatially recognised, the Inner Clyde and the SW Coast. This is to be welcomed.

There are 16 specific questions within the MIR consultation, the main area of concern for the Forum is the lack of maritime focus and similar lack of acknowledgement of the need to integrate marine and terrestrial planning.

The Planning Circular which will give advice on how to integrate marine and terrestrial planning (to be consulted upon with the other 3 major marine consultations) is also conspicuous by its absence.

Action Point – JE and IG to draft a consultation response on behalf of the Core Group. Noting AK and MC's planned leave they asked that Daniel Gotts and Stuart Tait respectively be deputised. NB any submission on behalf of the Core Group will not prevent individual members from submitting their own responses.

5) Project Updates

The updates were taken as read.

The Core Group agreed a maximum spend from core funds of £5,000 on marine INNS and £10,000 for Sea Level Rise (SLR) and Storm Surges should it be needed. LLTNP have offered an additional £2000, should it be needed, for the SLR work.

LR – MS confirmed that they have asked the Forum to take on the management of the contract to deliver a data gathering project with regard to marine tourism and recreation (see attached brief). A formal letter confirming this as part of our work for the year will follow.

Action Point: LR to send confirmation letter

6) Core Group Updates

Chair (IG) – Delighted that the Field Studies Council have signed an agreement with the University of London to secure a future for the Marine Station at Millport. The effects on the staff are still largely unknown and there will certainly be a period of upheaval.

IG is also planning a series of visits to Local Authorities and other relevant stakeholders over the next few months to update them on marine planning and raise awareness of the work of the Forum.

Clydeport (RB) – Wind turbine test site is running. Hunterson chimney to come down on the 28th July. Work is continuing on gathering new and converting old data into more readily available GIS layers which will help with marine planning.

Ayrshire Joint Planning (JE) – Asked about the RCHAMS Source to Sea project – SB to follow up.

SSE (LR) – Interest is predominantly in the MPA proposal for the Clyde Sill where they may lay a cable for offshore renewables.

Crown Estate (PB) – Welcomed the themed approach to Clyde Breakers and suggested it continue.

Action Point: SB to contact RCAHM re Source to Sea for an update.

7) AOB - none

Date of Next meeting – Wednesday 23rd October, 1230 – 1530pm

Action Points Summary from this meeting

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| AP 04/07 01 | SB to check strategy for Clyde relevant aspects and draft a response for circulation to Core Group for sign off. | |
| AP 04/07 02 | Core Group (SB) to write to SNH and thank them for their support. | |
| AP 04/07 03 | SB to write to Alison Grant and ask for a summary report and confirm the June 2014 event with SGP team. There is potential for this event to combine with talks/workshop on marine planning. | |
| AP 04/07 04 | LR to follow up with David Palmer re an extension to staff contracts/support by MS to the Forum. | |
| AP 04/07 05 | Core Group members to inform SB about their desired engagement with the consultations. | |
| AP 04/07 06 | JE and IG to draft a consultation response on behalf of the Core Group. NB any submission on behalf of the Core Group will not prevent individual members from submitting their own responses. | |
| AP 04/07 07 | LR to send confirmation letter | |

AP 04/07 08

SB to contact RCAHM re Source to Sea for an update.

