



Agenda - CMPP Members' meeting

19th November 2018

5 Atlantic Quay, 150 Broomielaw, Glasgow, G2 8LU

Item	Time	Lead
1. Welcome, apologies and actions from the last meeting	10:45-11:00	AK
2. Plan development update <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Policy development b) SA-SEA c) Public engagement and communications d) Socio-economic regeneration review 	11:00-12:00	SS/FM
3. Other updates – Clyde 2020, EMFF funding, recruitment	12:00-12:15	SS/FM
LUNCH		12:15-12:45
4. Member updates	12:45-13:15	All
5. AOB <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Hunterston – update from Members involved in Hunterston development. 	13:15-13:45	AK/All
6. Close of meeting <p>Date of the next meetings:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) <i>*31st January 2019* - N.B. New date for the diary</i> b) <i>19th March 2019 (Annual Members Meeting followed by Members meeting)</i> 	13:45-13:55	AK/All



Minutes of the CMPP Members' Meeting
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Chair: Arthur Keller (AK), Scottish Natural Heritage (also Board member). Standing in for Isabel Glasgow on this occasion

Present: Voting Members

Paul Chandler (PC), Community of Arran Seabed Trust
 Zoe Clelland (ZC), Royal Society for the Protection of Birds
 Calum Duncan (CD), Scottish Environment LINK
 Willie Kennedy (WK), Scottish Sea Anglers Conservation Network
 Catherine Lambert (CL), Clydeplan
 Alex MacFie (AMF), Field Studies Council
 Alastair McNeill (AMN), WCRIFG (also Board Member)
 Derek Manson (DM), Loch Lomond and the Trossachs National Park
 James Miller (JM), North Ayrshire Council
 Graham Russell (GR), RYA Scotland
 Elaine Whyte (EW), CFA (also Board Member)

Paul Bancks (PB), Crown Estate Scotland
 Simon Limb (SL), British Marine Federation
 Mark Lodge (ML), Argyll & Bute Council

Present: Others

Ian Black (IB), Marine Scotland
 Brian Forrest (BF), Board Member
 Howard Wood (HW), Board Member
 Peter Henderson (PH), Board Member (left after item 3)
 Madlaina Michelotti (MM), CMPP Staff
 Fiona Mills (FM), CMPP staff
 Sinéad Sheridan (SS), CMPP staff

Apologies

David Adams-McGilp, VisitScotland
 Shirley Curran (SC), South Ayrshire Council
 Rhona Fairgrieve (RF), Scottish Coastal Forum
 David Kinniburgh, Board Member
 Isabel Glasgow, Chair

1. Welcome and apologies and review of action points from the last meeting

Arthur Keller welcomed attendees to the meeting and began by noting Isabel Glasgow's absence due to illness. Members conveyed their best wishes to Isabel for a swift recovery. Apologies were then noted. Introductions were given round the table, with a special mention to Madlaina Michelotti, who is starting today as Clyde Marine Planning Partnership Coordinator.

A summary of the status of action points from the last meeting is listed below:

Reference	Summary	Lead and status
01/27/09/2018	Liaise with Marine Scotland to arrange a meeting with CMPP staff to	FM. Completed

Reference	Summary	Lead and status
	discuss pre-consultation draft	
02/27/09/2018	Liaise with Planning Authorities to arrange a meeting with CMPP staff to discuss 'Planning Alignment' chapter	FM/SS. Completed
03/27/09/2018	Staff to revise plan based on discussions at the meeting.	FM. Completed
04/27/09/2018	Staff to update Members on outcomes and discussions of the two meetings with (1) Marine Scotland and (2) Planning Authorities.	FM. Completed

2. Plan Development update

Policy development: Fiona Mills gave an update on plan development since the last meeting. The main outcomes to note around this were the two (separate) meetings held with Marine Scotland and with the planning authorities. On the meeting with Marine Scotland there was some discussion on restructuring of the plan to make clear which policies related to licencing/consenting processes and which were related to management. It was also discussed that work should begin on the Business Regulatory Impacts Assessment and the Equalities Impact Assessment. Discussion with Marine Scotland and Scottish Natural Heritage (SNH) is still ongoing as to the best mechanism for producing charts (maps) for the pre-consultation draft. FM noted thanks to everyone for their comments given at the last Members' meeting, these have now been incorporated into the current draft. The pre-consultation phase is now targeted to take place at the end of February and will run over eight weeks.

The meeting with CMPP staff and the planning authorities was around content and structure of *Chapter 8 Planning Alignment* in the draft plan. As the policies contained within it are largely in existing legislation, this chapter has been taken out and relevant information on planning alignment between marine and terrestrial planning added at the start of the plan. It was also discussed at the meeting that a protocol would need to be developed to guide the working relationship between the CMPP and terrestrial planning authorities and as a tool to outline to planning authorities what their role is within marine planning. This protocol would also likely include information on how the CMPP would assess marine license applications in its role as statutory consultee, once the plan is finalised. This will require further discussion with Members during 2019. It was noted that current changes taking place within the planning regime need to be taken into account. The planning authorities are largely represented on the Board and within the partnership so there should already be a good level of synergy.

Members asked how pushing back the pre-consultation phase would affect overall plan delivery. FM noted that plan delivery is still targeted at March 2020, however the change in schedule would mean there is less time to carry out any additional work next year. It was noted that this is a more efficient way overall to develop the plan, even though it means pushing back the pre-consultation phase, it is better to take comments into account now and refine the draft that goes out for pre-consultation.

Members also asked what was meant by taking out some of the detailed management policy, will these measures be taken account of elsewhere? FM noted that much of the text that has been cut out so far came from feedback from the Members workshop (September Members' meeting). FM noted that this included consolidating more strategic policy elements. A note has been kept of any policies removed and this can be reviewed at the meeting in January – these might be useful for the development of an action plan.

FM noted that the staff were also looking to get maps created for the plan and were considering the most cost effective way to go about this. Discussions have been held with Marine Scotland, SNH and Clydeplan as to potentially getting their support from GIS teams with this work, but there is not resource at this time.

Sustainability Appraisal - Strategic Environment Assessment (SA-SEA): Sinéad Sheridan gave an overview on the progress of the interim SA-SEA. Work on this has been progressing since the last Members' meeting. The legislation is helpful as it sets out exactly what is required within the Environmental Report. The most time-consuming aspect is assessing each of the policies against the SA-SEA criteria. This has taken more time than anticipated, but it is still expected that the interim SA-SEA report will be available for review at the January 2019 meeting. Comments from the Consultation Authorities on the scoping report have also been helpful to take into consideration within the SA-SEA. The current version will be shared with Members as part of the papers for the January Members' meeting. The SA-SEA will develop as the plan is developed/policies adjusted and both are being developed in tandem.

It was suggested that if one of the changes to the pre-consultation have been to make policies more strategic, perhaps one of the reasonable alternative options to consider would be around a plan that is more detailed. SS agreed and noted that currently one of the reasonable alternative options is around more specific locational detail. This could be tailored to incorporate more detail in general.

Public engagement and communications: SS noted that the Statement of Public Participation has been updated to reflect the changes to dates as a result of the delay in finalising the pre-consultation draft. Members agreed to approve the changes. This will now be sent to Scottish Ministers for approval.

It was noted that a list of local press contacts should be prepared in advance of the pre-consultation phase. A press release can then be emailed out to these contacts once the pre-consultation begins. SS noted that there is a list, but this needs to be updated.

Socio-economic regeneration review: There were two main discussion points on the socio-economic report, the first was around the inclusion of additional data on the value of Marine Protected Areas. It was noted that there was a relevant study that had not been included in the report on the *value of marine protected areas in the UK to divers and sea anglers (Kenter et al.)*. It was agreed this should be included in the report and FM noted that this could be referenced in the text of the report, as has been done for reports in other sections. Paul Chandler noted that examples of Marine Protected Areas elsewhere have been shown to provide sustainable long term socio-economic benefits to coastal fishing communities.

Elaine Whyte noted that within the Clyde, fishermen have lost jobs and some boats have stopped operating, since the MPAs have been established, it is felt this is linked to the MPAs and this impact was anticipated by the industry. EW further noted that Marine Scotland are carrying out work looking into the impact of MPAs on fishing communities and other socio-economic factors, and this information related to job losses is likely to be included in this. EW suggested contacting Marine Scotland for more information on this. This work is ongoing and will not be completed before the socio-economic report is finalised. FM noted it is difficult to reference this information in the socio-economic report as the Marine Scotland work has not been published yet.

The other comment related to the inclusion of the non-use value to Scottish households of marine conservation in Scottish waters from the Business and Regulatory Impact Assessment that accompanied Marine Protected Area designation; the figure given is an estimate over 20 years. There is a concern that giving an estimate over 20 years is inconsistent with the other figures included in the report, many of which are annual. It was also noted however that there are estimated potential employment figures also given in the report. It may be possible to disaggregate this figure to an annual amount; FM will follow up with the consultants.

Action (1) – FM to liaise with consultants about the changes discussed in the meeting. Circulate final changes to Members for approval of socio-economic report prior to publication.

Members also discussed the importance of incorporating climate change within the plan and in discussions at meetings. This is based on the recent IPCC report, highlighting the urgent need to take action on climate change. This should become integral to discussions/actions where possible.

3. Other updates

Clyde 2020: EW reported that the recent submission to the EMFF fund for a Scallop Stock Assessment has been declined, as all funds have now been allocated. This work was being led by the Clyde Fishermen’s Association in conjunction with Prof. Mike Heath. There may be a possibility of carrying out this work through an alternative PhD funding stream.

Publication of the Layman’s Guide animation and written guide is targeted to take place before the end of the year. The Clyde 2020 steering group members reached agreement at the last meeting on various final changes to be made to this.

EMFF funding update: The committee met in November to discuss the CMPP EMFF application and there has been no official notification on the outcome at this time.

Recruitment update: FM welcomed Madlaina Michelotti to the meeting and to the CMPP - today’s meeting was her first day in her new role. MM completed a Master in Ecosystem-based Management of Marine Systems at the University of St. Andrews in September. She was based in Oban where she explored coastal and maritime cultural heritage throughout the west coast of Scotland as part of her thesis and an EU-wide project (PERICLES). FM also noted that the staff team is now back up to full resource. Members welcomed her to the team.

4. Members’ updates

Marine Scotland – Progress in the sectoral marine plan for offshore wind continues. In addition, a call for interest for marine litter projects seeking funding has been issued. Marine Scotland is working in partnership with Keep Scotland Beautiful on this fund which totals £1,000,000. A research programme on marine carbon has started; this is being driven by the recently established Blue Carbon Forum. The research programme has been developed by Marine Scotland in partnership with SNH and a number of Scottish academic institutions.

Clydeport SHA – No update at this time.

West Coast Regional Inshore fisheries Group – the WCRIFG held a management committee meeting last week. Scottish and Southern Energy Networks attended the meeting to promote collaborative working with the fishing industry. A spatial separation pilot project is underway on Mull. Licenses have been altered for four months for the purposes of the project to allow solo access to an area. The outcomes will be used to inform future fisheries management measures.

North Ayrshire Council – Three reporters are currently in place for the examination of Local Development Plan 2. It is expected that the examination will conclude in spring next year.

Loch Lomond and the Trossachs National Park – The National Park is currently advertising for a litter prevention manager to develop and deliver a litter management strategy for the park. With regards to the Local Development Plan, the action programme has been updated and the monitoring programme is also in place.

British Marine Scotland – No update at this time.

Scottish Sea Angling Conservation Network - No update at this time.

Scottish Environment LINK – Scottish Env. LINK has recently published a new report on sea floor integrity. The Marine Conservation Society Great British Beach Clean report will be published at the end of November. This year has been record breaking in terms of the number of volunteers who participated in the event.

Clydeplan – The Planning Bill is now entering stage three and a new draft was recently published. At the moment strategic planning is included, after being removed in the previous iteration. The current draft is now going to be considered by the Minister. The timetable for this has slipped slightly. Climate Ready Clyde recently launched their Climate Risk and Opportunity Assessment for Glasgow City Region, the full report is still to be published, but has significant implications round the Clyde region.

Royal Society for the Protection of Birds – New information is available on the RSPB website on sea bird tracking. It is a good way of highlighting data on seabird feeding areas all around Scotland. Data can also be downloaded and used. There may be something useful here for mapping in the pre-consultation draft plan.

Crown Estate Scotland – CES has recently contributed some funding into the ‘Upstream Battle’ project, of which the Clyde is a focus. The Crown Estate Scotland Bill has reached Stage Three and this will be voted on at the end of this month. This will create new legislation for Crown Estate Scotland to operate under.

Royal Yachting Association Scotland – RYAS is currently working with Scottish Canals on the reopening of the Forth and Clyde Canal for navigation. This is a work in progress. GR will be attending a workshop in Oban on climate change adaptation in the marine and coastal environment and will report anything relevant back to the CMPP.

Clyde Fishermen’s Association – The CFA is busy dealing with Brexit, ensuring the Association responds to all the relevant consultations around this which would impact fishing communities.

Argyll and Bute Council – The Council is currently working on LDP2, which is slightly delayed but will be published for consultation in Spring next year. Changes are also taking place within the coastal unit and this is becoming more incorporated into the planning unit.

Community of Arran Seabed Trust – Howard Wood has stepped down as Chair, and remains a trustee. The official opening of the ‘Octopus centre’ went well. The centre is a hub for COAST activities and learning. COAST continues to host scientists and students conducting research into the coastal and marine environment in the region. COAST has been active within the aquaculture subgroup of the Coastal Communities Network and to date has had three meetings with Marine Scotland on aquaculture and one with Roseanna Cunningham regarding aquaculture licensing and planning decisions. Argyll and Bute planners attended the last aquaculture subgroup (of the CCN) meeting. COAST also recently hosted a meeting between Marine Scotland compliance and the local community to discuss the process when suspected incursions are reported to the compliance team. MS Compliance provided useful feedback to the community about what happens to these reports.

Field Studies Council – FSC Millport recently hosted a marine research symposium - many thanks to those that came and circulated information about the event. The talks on the day linked really well to work ongoing in the Clyde and it is a great way of sharing information with a new audience.

Scottish Natural Heritage – No update at this time.

5. AOB

The only item under AOB was a request from CD for an update on progress on the proposed Hunterston development from those CMPP Members involved to date.

ClydePort SHA - BF noted that the proposal is in the process of seeking a marine licence for the dry dock caisson gate and jetty extension. The application has not been submitted yet and work on this is ongoing. An application has also been submitted to SEPA for a waste management licence. It is not anticipated that any other work will progress until the waste management aspect is completed.

North Ayrshire Council – A proposed plan to include decommissioning of oil and gas infrastructure as part of works at Hunterston has been included in the Local Development Plan since 2012. In 2014 this was adopted and this proposal was carried through to LDP2, which is now at examination. At a strategic level there has been discussion of this for six years within the Council. NAC is involved in this through the terrestrial planning consent process, where planning has been granted and also as a consultee on the waste management licence application to SEPA, where the NAC response will be considered at the December planning committee meeting.

SNH - The concerns of SNH focus on any potential impacts on the Southannan Sands SSSI that may occur through the poor management of processes on site or through inappropriate discharges which may escape into the natural environment. Providing that SEPA considers that the submitted working plan will provide adequate safeguards and mitigation to ensure that there will be no damaging impacts on the designated features of the SSSI, then SNH are content that the licence may be granted.

Hunterston - Members recognised the concerns expressed by local people and noted that there were many rumours circulating about the proposal, not all of which were founded in fact. This is perhaps not surprising as the consenting process is a complex one involving the interaction of the marine and terrestrial planning systems, and familiarity with the planning portals is needed to find all the relevant information. The CMPP had come under criticism for not taking part in the debate around the issue, although the CMPP Chair attended the pre-application consultation event in September. FM clarified that the CMPP's role in the proposal is as a statutory consultee for any marine licence application. No marine licence has yet been applied for, as mentioned by BF. Members noted that there is general confusion in the minds of the public between the terrestrial and marine licensing systems and suggested that there might be a role for the developer in making all the relevant information readily available in one place for those who want to find out about the project. In that regard BF noted that there would be an FAQ page about the proposal added to the Peel Ports website.

This was the last item on the agenda and the discussion finished ahead of schedule at 12.40.

6. DONM

The next Members' meeting will be held on 31st January 2019. The next meeting after this will take place on the 19th March. This will be an Annual Members' Meeting followed by a Members' meeting.

7. Summary of action points

Reference	Summary	Lead
01/19/11/2018	Liaise with consultants about the changes discussed in the meeting. Circulate final changes to Members for approval of socio-economic report prior to publication.	FM
02/19/11/2018	Progress revised SPP for Ministerial approval.	SS

Summary of discussion points agreed

- Members agreed to the changes proposed to the Statement of Public Participation and for this to progress for Ministerial approval.