

Markham's Triangle

Recommended Marine Conservation Zone (MCZ)



Status: Under Consideration



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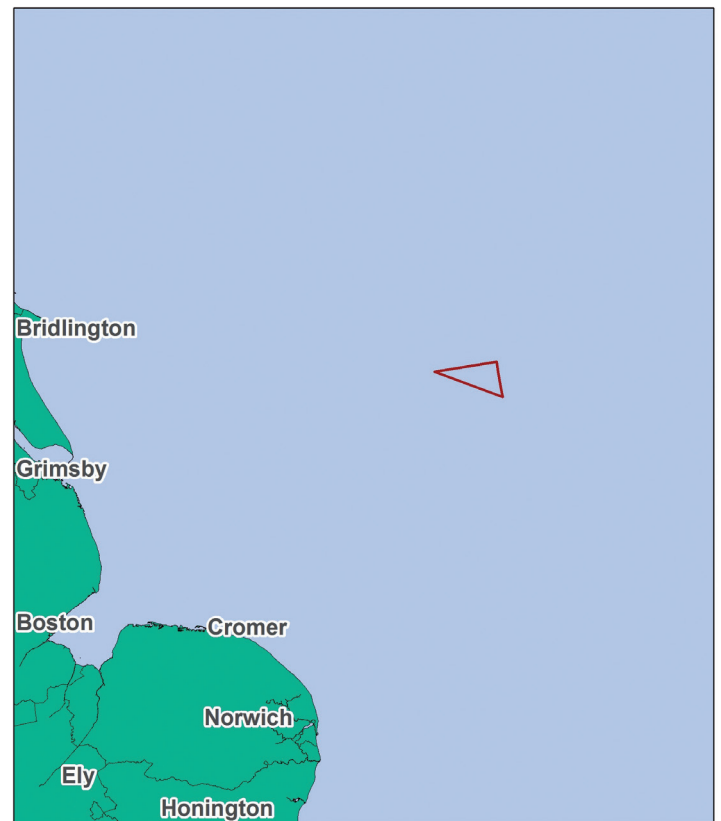
Despite lying 137km offshore from the Yorkshire coast, the seafloor ranges from only 30 - 50 metres in depth, making it a relatively shallow site. The seafloor consists of both coarse sediment and sand, interspersed with small patches of rock and gravels. This supports many creatures that burrow within or camouflage against the sediment, such as polychaete worms, bivalves, starfish and sea urchins.

The sandeels here form a key food source for grey and harbour seals as well as harbour porpoises, regularly spotted passing through the area.

Markham's Triangle lies adjacent to the Dutch Cleaverbank Special Area of Conservation. Designation of this site would create a wildlife corridor between Marine Protected Areas, greatly benefitting marine life in UK waters and beyond.

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Location

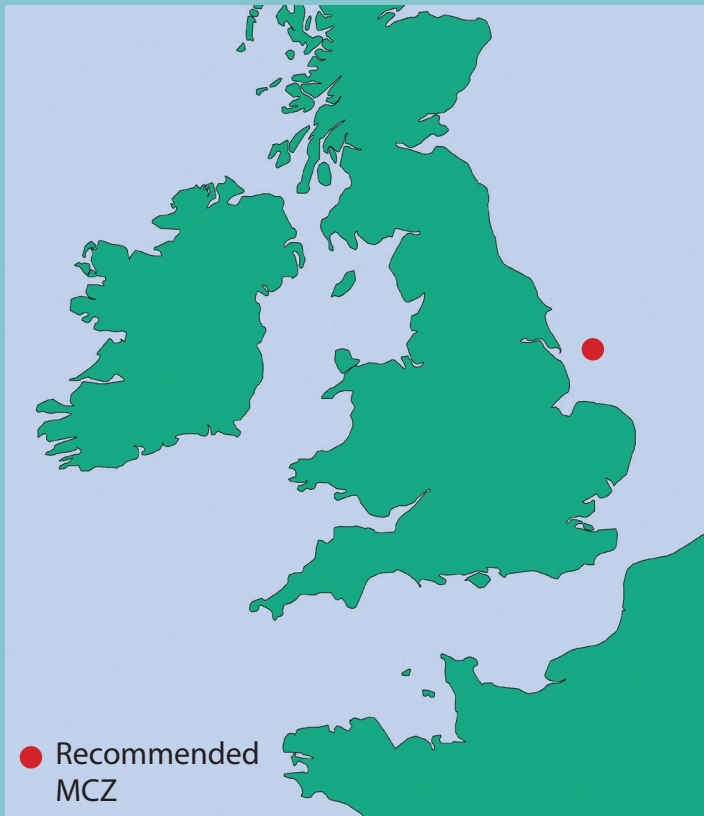


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200.13km²

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UK seas have the potential to be some of the most wildlife rich on Earth, but ambitious protection is needed to reverse the decades of decline.

Great progress has been made in securing protected areas at sea but there's still work to be done.

With your help we can make sure that our seas are given the protection they need to thrive once again!

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"With proper protection, UK seas have the potential to be teeming with incredible life and colour, supporting thriving livelihoods and wildlife for generations to come. The return to Living Seas will, however, only be possible with an ambitious third tranche of Marine Conservation Zones."

Tony Juniper
President
The Wildlife Trusts