

North-East of Haig Fras

Recommended Marine Conservation Zone (MCZ)



Status: Under Consideration



Hermit crab with cloak anemone, Paul Naylor

Fact file

This site is an area of continental shelf and is found about 100km to the north-west of Land's End, in the Celtic Sea.

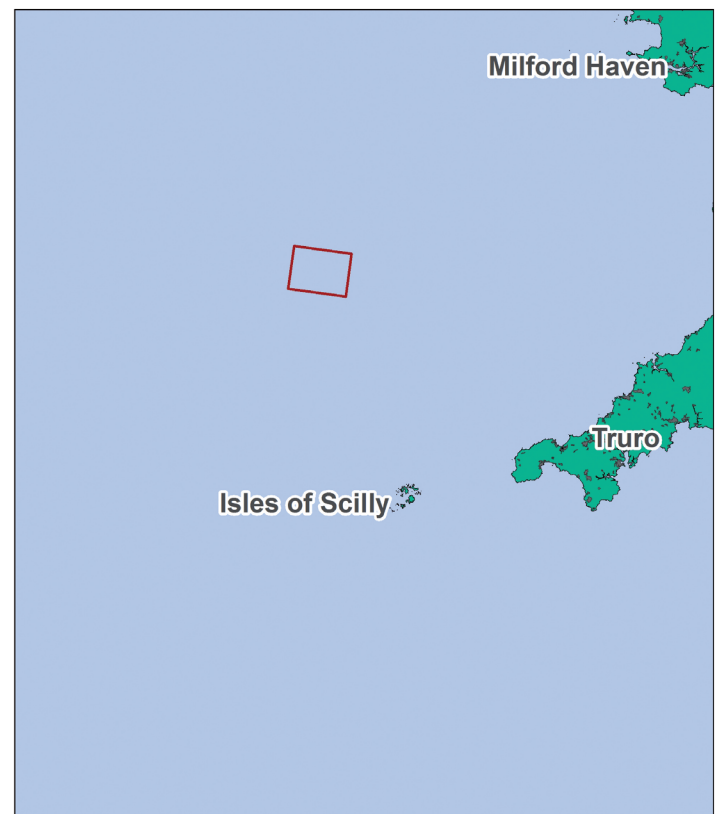
The site has been recommended due to the subtidal sand, subtidal mud and coarse sediment habitats that are found in this area. Depths range from 50 to over 100 metres meaning that due to the lack of light reaching the seabed, communities here are dominated by animal life.

Mats of sea anemones are found within this area, and the shallower parts support populations of the hermit crab *Pagurus prideaux*. This crab often shares its shell with cloak anemones providing benefits to both the crab and the anemone... The crab benefits from protection from the stinging cells of the anemone and the anemone benefits from food stirred up during the crab's foraging! Other animals found here both in and on the sediment include sea urchins, starfish, sea fans and worms.

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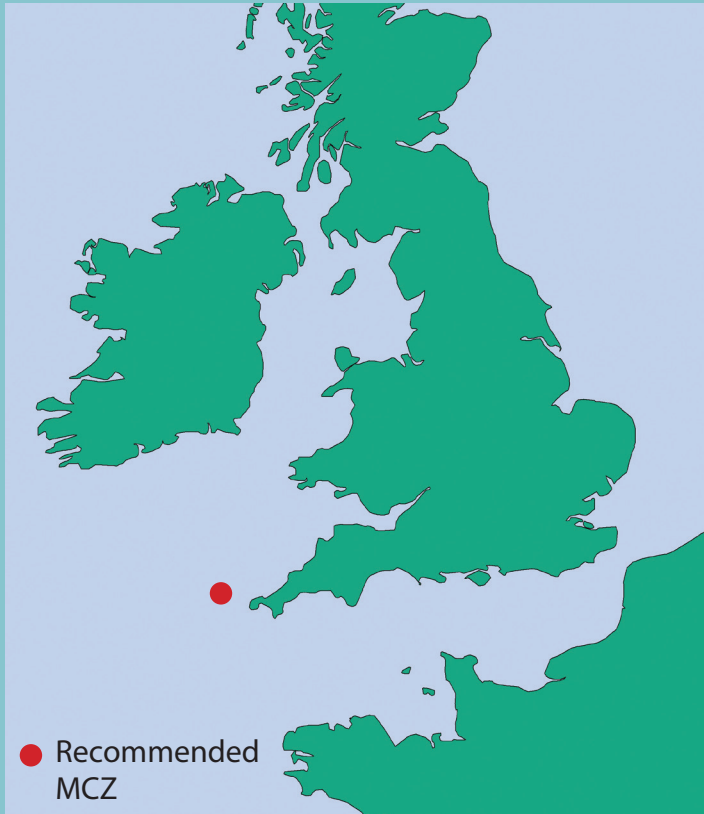


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463.72km²

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Tony Juniper
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