

Wyre-Lune

Recommended Marine Conservation Zone (MCZ)

Status: Under Consideration



Little ringed plover, Tom Marshall

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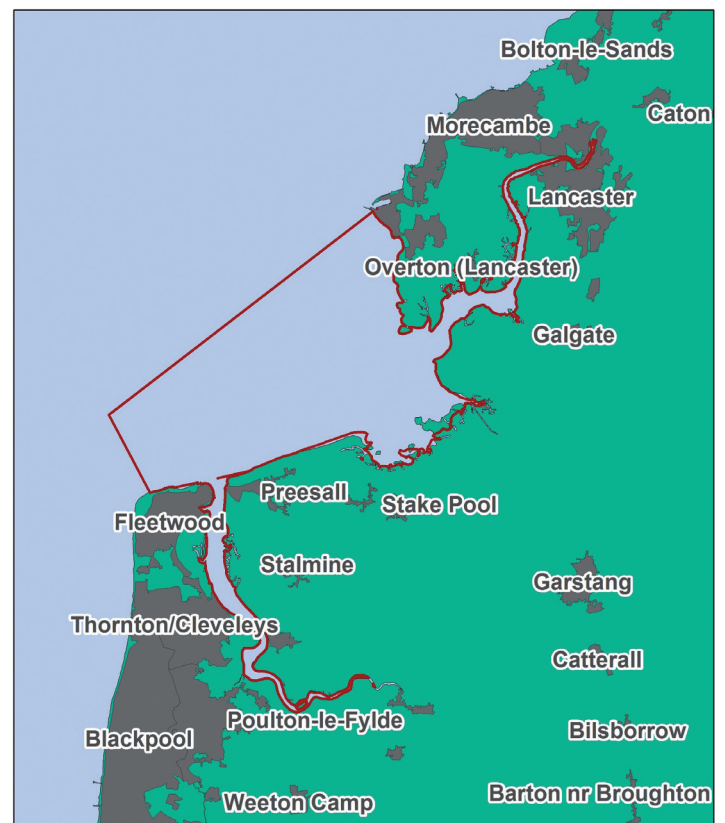
This recommended Marine Conservation Zone (MCZ) is an inshore site made up of two estuaries that result in saltmarsh where river meets sea.

This habitat is important as it provides a nursery ground for fish to mature and improve their chances of reaching breeding age. Without shelter, breeding is less successful as juveniles have to contend with the harsh reality of living in the open water. This site is being recommended for the protection of smelt, a fish species of conservation importance which was once common in estuaries across the UK but has declined considerably in recent decades.

The Lune is currently protected by the Morecambe Bay Special Area of Conservation and the Wyre is a Site of Special Scientific Interest. The addition of an MCZ will complement these designations, providing additional protection for this important fish species.

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Location



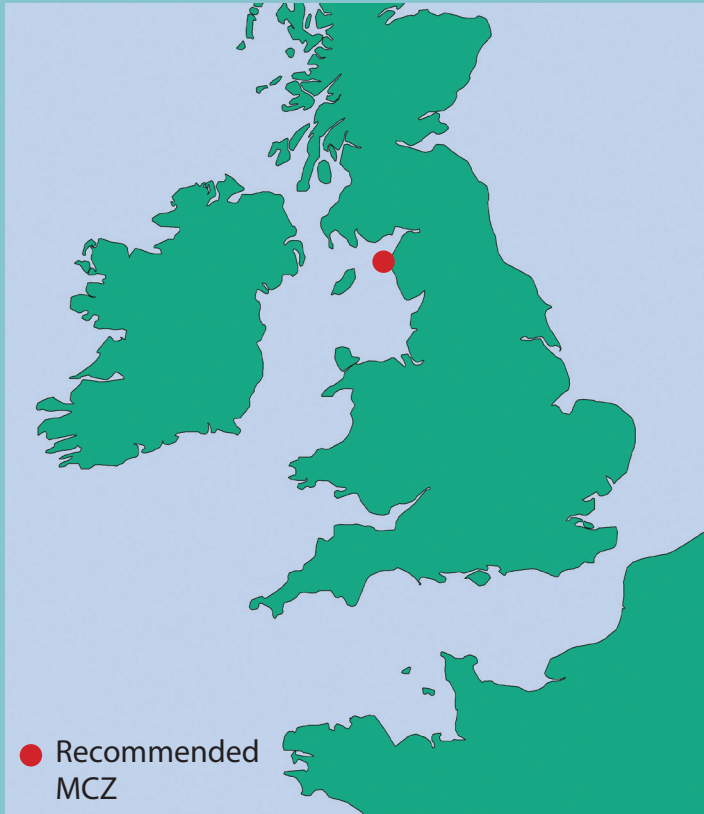
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92.38km²

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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
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