

Holderness Offshore

Marine Conservation Zone (MCZ)



Common lobster, Mark Thomas

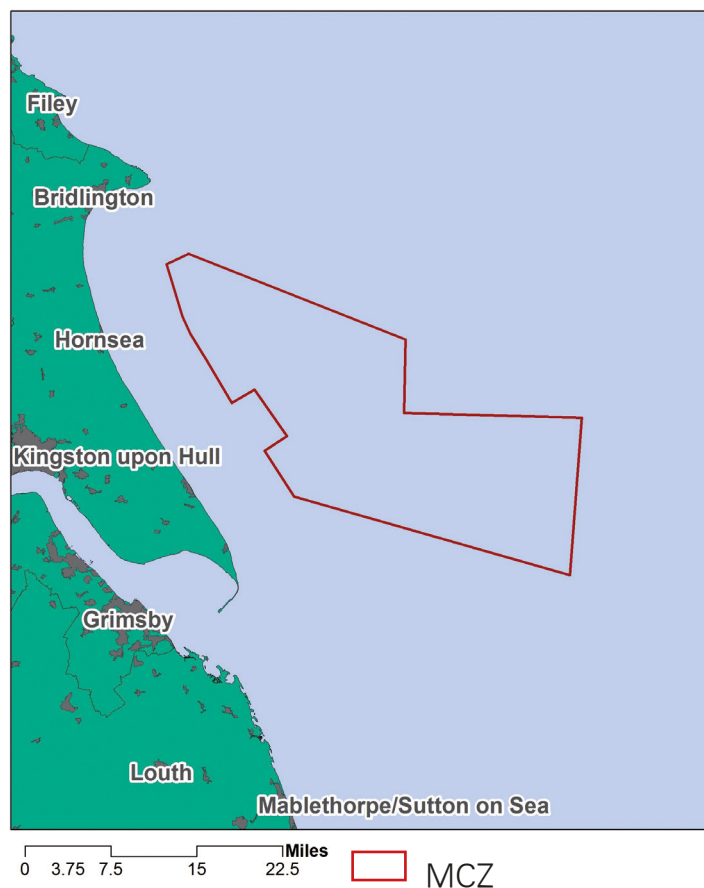
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Located offshore from the Holderness coast, the seafloor here consists of mixed and coarse sediment interspersed with small cobbles and ross worm reefs, creating a mosaic of habitats for attaching and burrowing creatures.

This area is also significant for crustaceans, including edible crabs and common lobsters. This MCZ should greatly benefit the local crab and lobster pot fishery.

Ocean quahogs have also been found within this site. These slow-growing bivalve molluscs can take up to 50 years to reach full size and can live for over 500 years.

Location



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Marine Conservation Zones



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1176.1km²

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Help us to protect our seas

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.

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"The designation of the third tranche of Marine Conservation Zones has given us an amazing opportunity to protect our marine wildlife and habitats for future generations. We now have 91 MCZs which is great news, but to help our seas recover we also need the Government to implement proper management and monitoring of these sites."

Joan Edwards
Director of Living Seas
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