

Vision: Clean, healthy, safe, productive, biologically diverse and resilient seas around Wales that support vibrant coastal communities.

Principles – (How we work)

Overarching obligations including Environment Act; Wellbeing of Future Generations Act; UNCLOS; OSPAR; MACAA; UK Marine Policy Statement; CBD.

- Adaptive management
- Establish an Ecologically coherent and well managed network of MPAs
- Lead by example taking a global view
- Evidence based decision making
- Actively engage with stakeholders and encourage public participation in decision making, and uphold the right to scrutiny
- Collaboration and cooperation in the management of our seas
- Plan based approach to take account of the short, medium and long term consequences of actions
- Seek multiple benefits/ Maximise benefits ecological, social and economic
- Ecosystem based approach

Objectives - (What we want out of Brexit and the long term)

Maintain and enhance resilient marine ecosystems;

- Uphold Wales' commitments to the sustainable management of Wales' marine natural resources:
 - i. Deliver requirements of the MSFD, achieving Good Environmental Status in our waters through the application of an ecosystem based approach
 - ii. Ensure an ecologically coherent and well managed network of Marine Protected Areas (MPA's) across the UK
 - iii. Ensure EU Exit outcomes are fully compatible with WFG and Environment Acts specifically ecosystem resilience and the ecosystem approach

Supporting sustainable blue growth

- Ensure a plan led approach to managing activities in our seas is implemented following the introduction of the first marine plan.

Sustainable, productive, prosperous coastal communities

- Secure the long-term viability and prosperity of Welsh fishing and coastal communities:
 - i. Fairer share of fishing opportunities
 - ii. Access to Welsh waters decided by Wales
 - iii. Access to markets retained
 - iv. Ensure sustainable fisheries