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References:

D&S IFCA– Formal Notice Erme Estuary MCZ

Marine Conservation Zone: Erme Estuary MCZ UKMCZ0059

Dear Angela,

You will be aware that D&S IFCA's recent assessments of fishing activities potentially occurring in the Erme Estuary MCZ made use of conservation advice from other sites, as a conservation advice package was not available for the Erme Estuary MCZ. Please find enclosed revised assessments which now account for the publication of the site-specific conservation advice package.

The conclusions of the enclosed assessments (version 1.1) have not materially changed from the previous versions, which Natural England provided formal advice on in March 2023. The assessments demonstrate that these activities do not pose a risk of hindering the conservation objectives of the MCZ.

Thank you for your attention in this matter. If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "James Stewart". The signature is written in a cursive style with a horizontal line underneath the name.

James Stewart
Senior Environment Officer

MCZ Assessment: ERM-MCZ-001

Fishing activities assessed	Protected features
Intertidal handwork: Handworking (access from vessel), Handworking (access from land) Miscellaneous: Crab tiling Bait collection: digging with forks	High energy intertidal rock Low energy intertidal rock Moderate energy intertidal rock Estuarine rocky habitats

MCZ Assessment: ERM-MCZ-002

Fishing activities assessed	Protected features
Intertidal handwork: Handworking (access from vessel), Handworking (access from land) Miscellaneous: Crab tiling Bait collection: digging with forks	Intertidal coarse sediment Intertidal mixed sediment Sheltered muddy gravels Tentacled lagoon worm (<i>Alkmaria romijni</i>)

MCZ Assessment: ERM-MCZ-003

Fishing activities assessed	Protected features
Static – pots/traps: Pots/creels, cuttlepots, fishtraps Lines: Longlines (demersal)	High energy intertidal rock Low energy intertidal rock Moderate energy intertidal rock Estuarine rocky habitats

MCZ Assessment: ERM-MCZ-004

Fishing activities assessed	Protected features
Static – pots/traps: Pots/creels, cuttlepots, fishtraps Lines: Longlines (demersal)	Intertidal coarse sediment Intertidal mixed sediment Sheltered muddy gravels Tentacled lagoon worm (<i>Alkmaria romijni</i>)

MCZ Assessment: ERM-MCZ-005

Fishing activities assessed	Protected features
Seine nets & other: Beach seine	High energy intertidal rock Low energy intertidal rock Moderate energy intertidal rock Estuarine rocky habitats

MCZ Assessment: ERM-MCZ-006

Fishing activities assessed	Protected features
Seine nets & other: Beach seine	Intertidal coarse sediment Intertidal mixed sediment Sheltered muddy gravels Tentacled lagoon worm (<i>Alkmaria romijni</i>)

MCZ Assessment: ERM-MCZ-007

Fishing activities assessed	Protected features
Aquaculture: Shellfish aquaculture: bottom culture, trestle culture	High energy intertidal rock Intertidal coarse sediment Intertidal mixed sediment Low energy intertidal rock Moderate energy intertidal rock Estuarine rocky habitats Sheltered muddy gravels Tentacled lagoon worm (<i>Alkmaria romijni</i>)

MCZ Assessment: ERM-MCZ-008

Fishing activities assessed	Protected features
Static fixed nets: Gill nets, trammels, entangling Passive nets: Drift nets (demersal), Seine nets & other: shrimp push nets, Fyke and stakenets, ring nets	High energy intertidal rock Low energy intertidal rock Moderate energy intertidal rock Estuarine rocky habitats

MCZ Assessment: ERM-MCZ-009

Fishing activities assessed	Protected features
Static fixed nets: Gill nets, trammels, entangling Passive nets: Drift nets (demersal), Seine nets & other: shrimp push nets, Fyke and stakenets,	Intertidal coarse sediment Intertidal mixed sediment Sheltered muddy gravels Tentacled lagoon worm (<i>Alkmaria romijni</i>)