

Marine Planning: An MMO view

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Outline

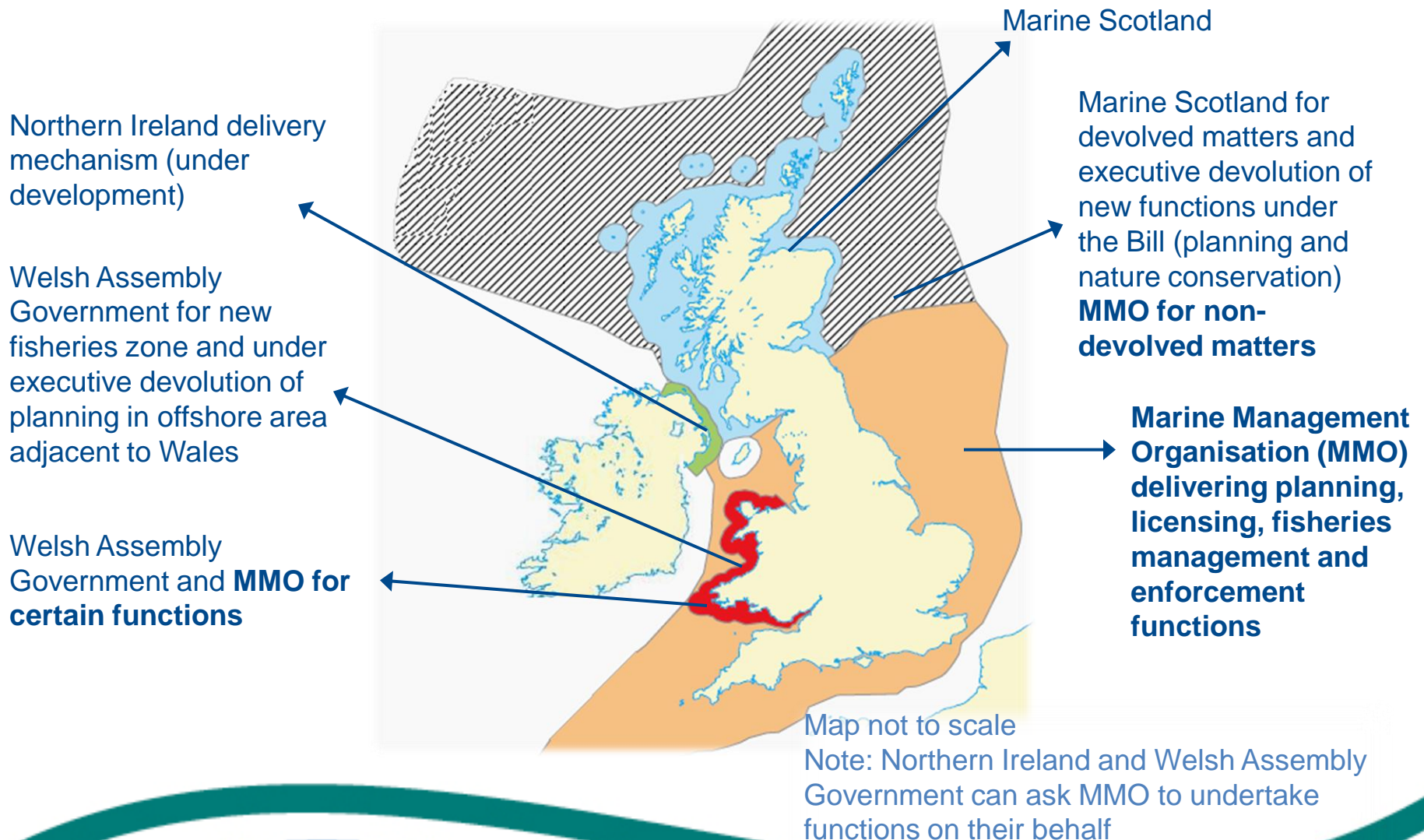
- The Marine Management Organisation
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- Why Marine Planning
 - Need, benefits, requirement
 - Link to licensing
- Planning for Marine Planning
- Summary



The MMO - Who we are

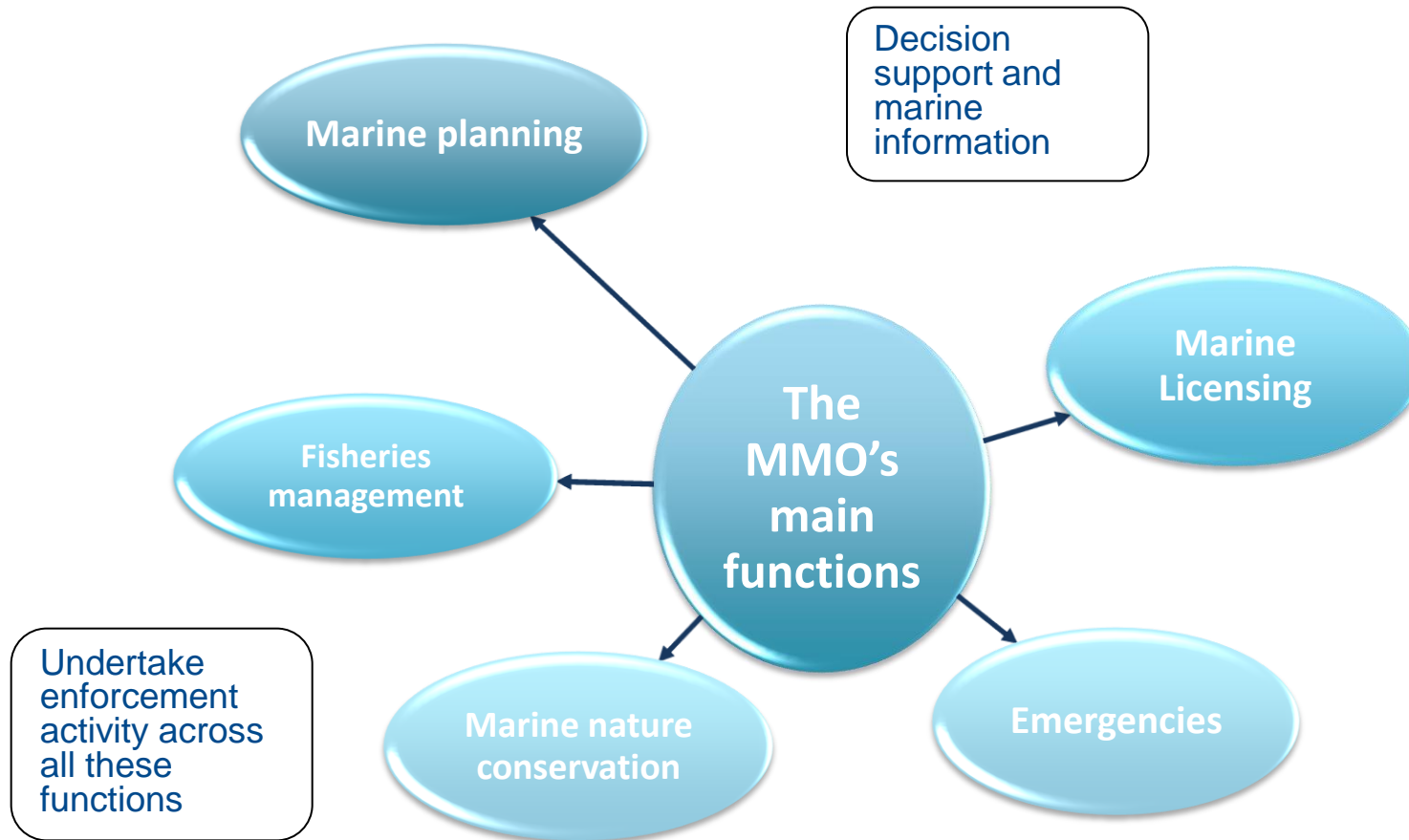
- We are a new executive non-departmental public body (NDPB) established under the Marine and Coastal Access Act 2009.
 - We were established to make a significant contribution to sustainable development in the marine area and to promote the UK government's vision for clean, healthy, safe, productive and biologically diverse oceans and seas.
 - We have incorporated the work of the Marine and Fisheries Agency (MFA) and acquired several important new roles.
 - We are a cross-government delivery partner.
 - Work across a wide range of responsibilities (economic, environmental and social) in the marine and coastal area.
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Where we operate



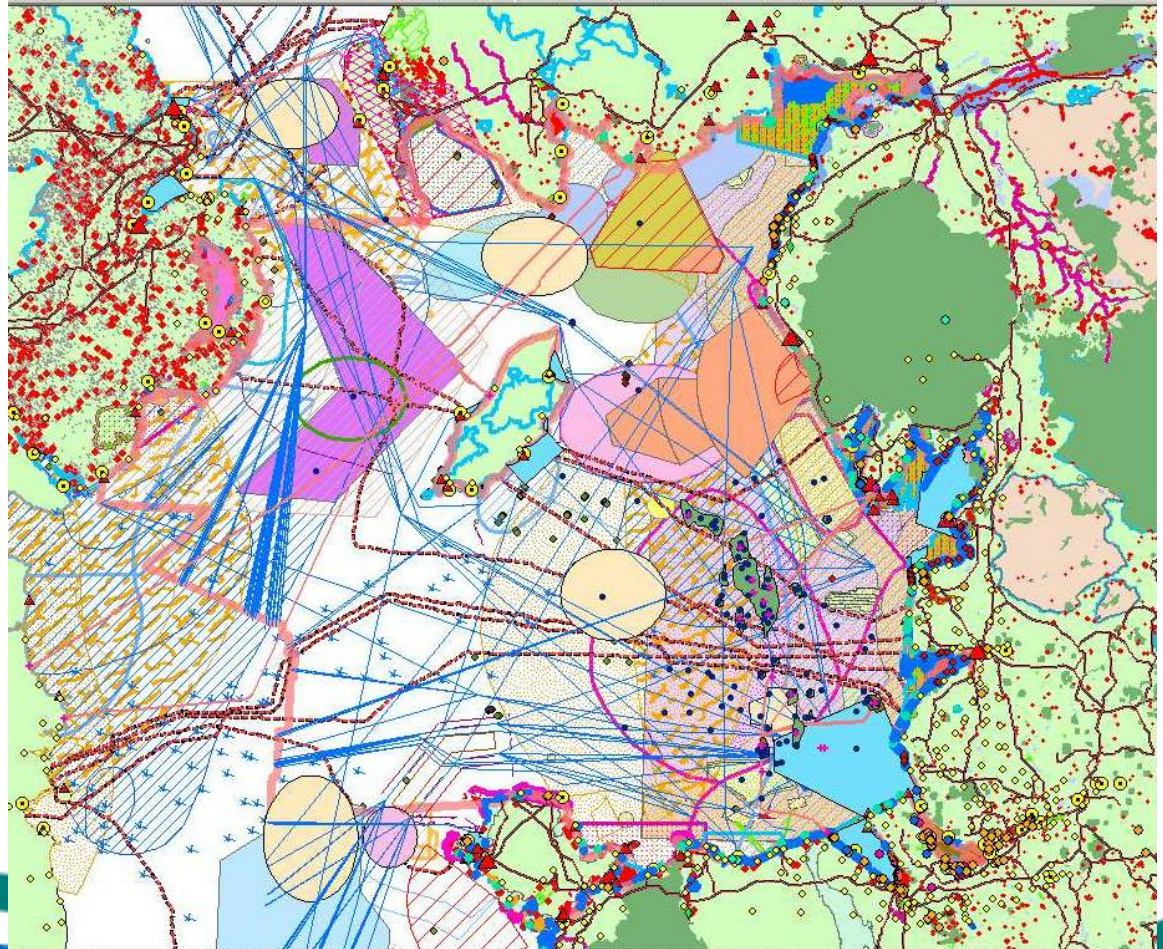
The role of the MMO

Government's strategic delivery body for England



Why do we need marine planning?

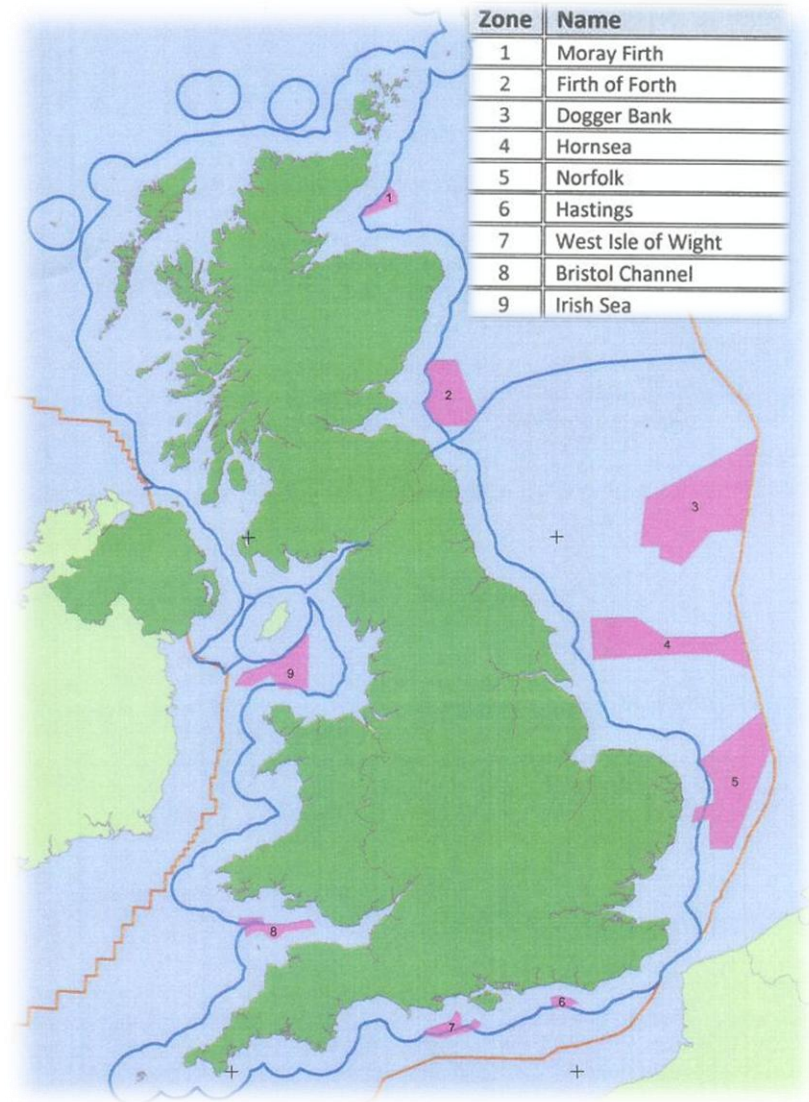
Overarching driver – Increasing use of marine space and resources, impacting on the sustainability of the marine environment



An example: Offshore Renewables

Round 3

- 8 GW from Rounds 1&2
- Total generating capacity of Round 3 is over 25 GW
- 6000 turbines
- 50-70,000 new jobs
- Round 3 offshore wind energy generation aims to deliver a quarter of the UK's total electricity needs by 2020
- Aim for *further* 10% from wet renewables



Benefits of marine planning

- Proactive and Forward planning
 - Strategic approach that integrates economic, social and environmental objectives
 - Early involvement of stakeholders
 - Consistent, evidence-based decision making
 - Greater certainty for investors/developers
 - Cohesion with coastal, estuarine and terrestrial plans
 - Sustainable use of marine resources
 - Plan for new activities and changing technologies
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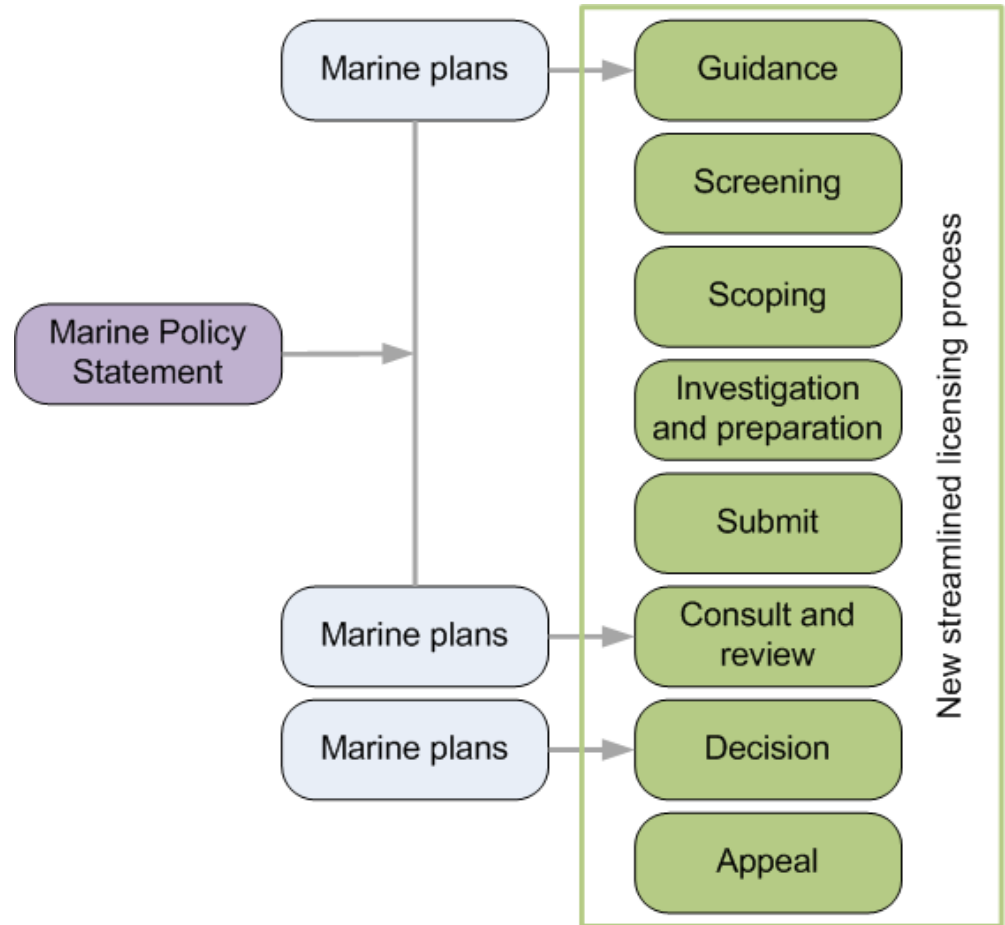
The requirement for marine planning

- Marine & Coastal Access Act provides legislative basis for a marine planning system
- Marine Policy Statement (MPS) will be the overarching policy framework for the UK marine area (SoS)
- Marine Plans will translate the MPS into detailed policy and spatial guidance for each Marine Plan area (MMO)
 - informed by a common, integrated evidence base
 - working closely with stakeholders throughout the process
 - guide and direct decision makers, including Licensing



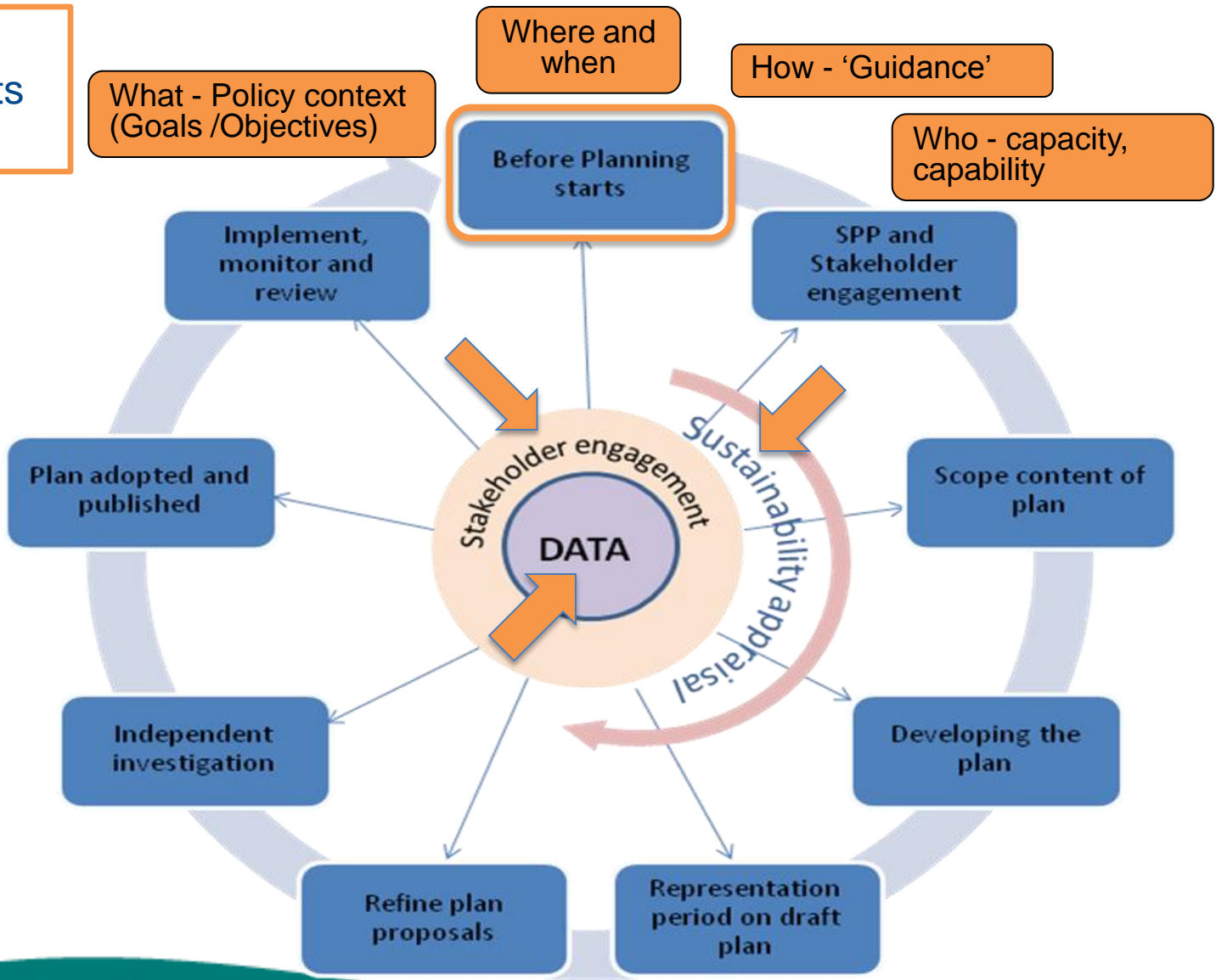
Where the Marine Policy Statement and marine planning will fit with licensing

- Marine policy statement will be reflected in English marine plans
- Marine plans will be used by the client and MMO at various stages of a licence application
- **Transitional arrangements will be in place for the period when marine plans are still in development**



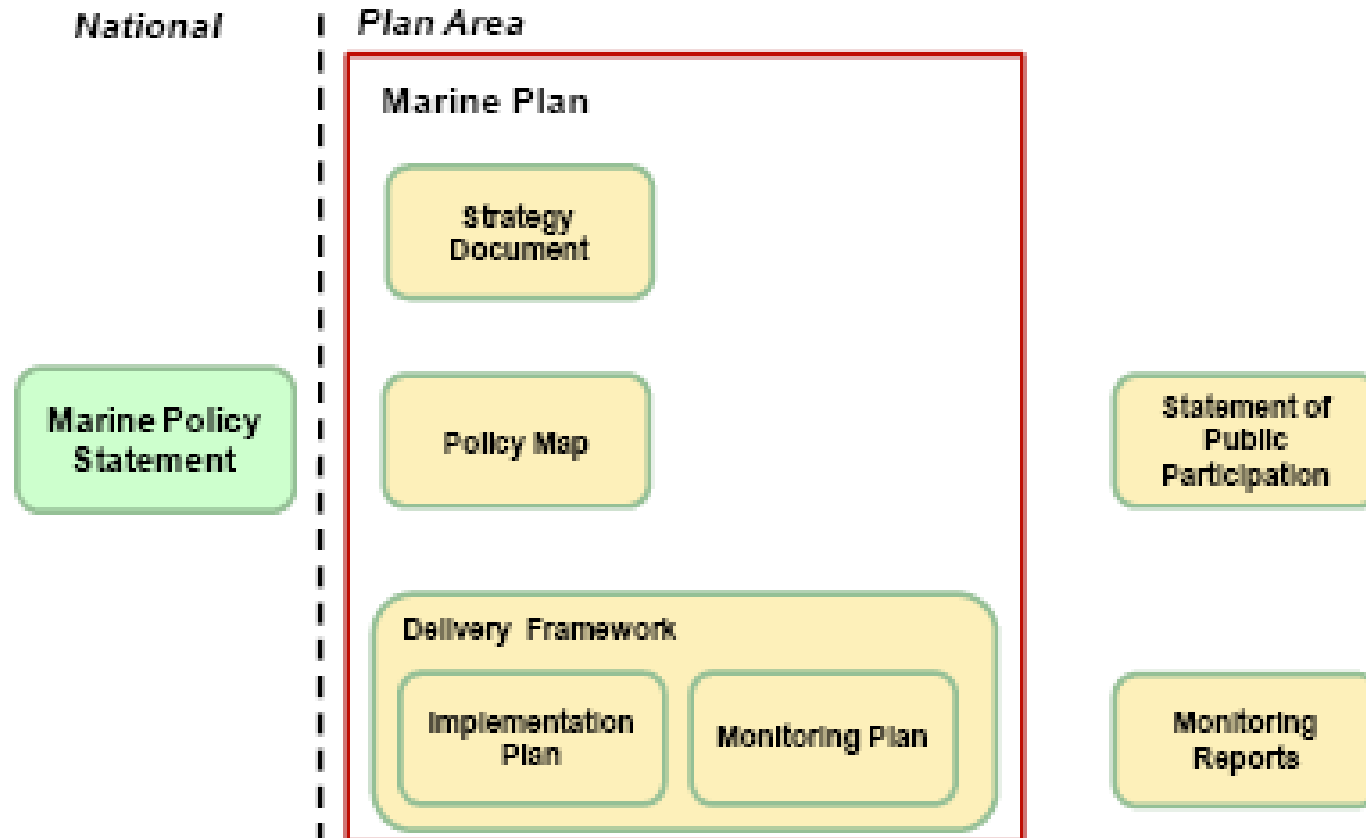
Planning for Marine Planning

By April 2011
planning starts
in two areas!




Preparing for marine plan making in 2011

- MARINE PLANNING SYSTEM

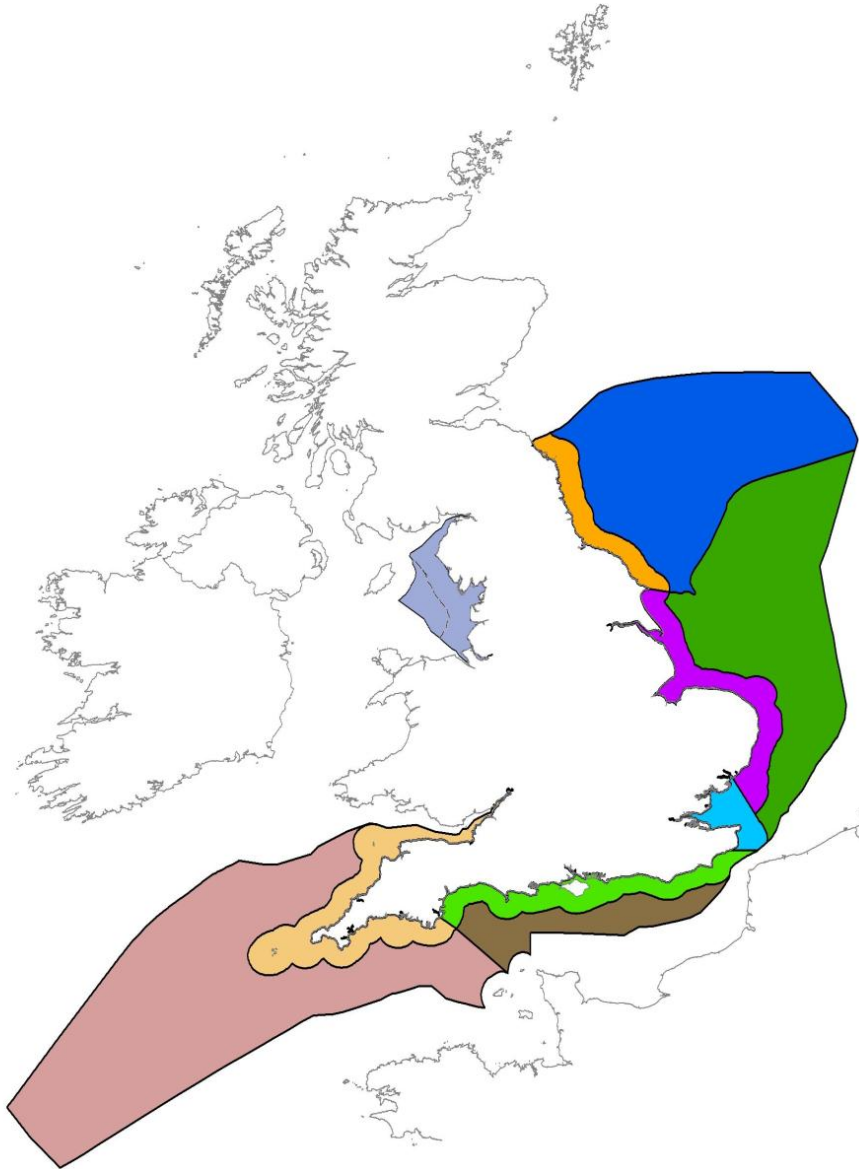


Preparing for marine plan making in 2011

- **Strategic scoping exercise**
 - mapping existing marine resources and activities
 - mapping known proposed activities e.g. renewables
 - coarse assessment of impact of national policy application
 - **Other information, e.g.**
 - brief review of other plans/programmes
 - **Evidence base production and management**
 - substantial range of information needed (and much available?)
 - data sharing agreements
 - GIS development
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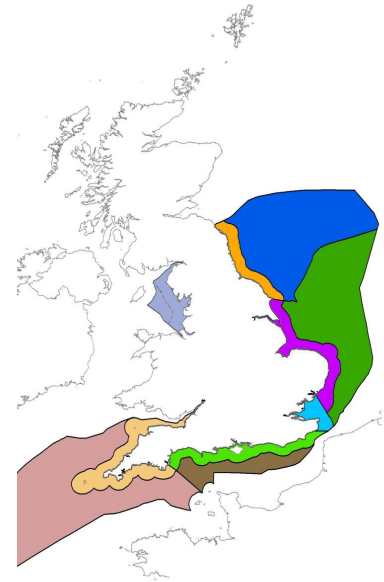
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Preparing for marine plan making in 2011

- **Production of the Statements of Public Participation**
 - to be agreed by the Secretary of State
 - describe timetable for plan making
 - identify engagement opportunities for stakeholders
 - **Preparation for the Sustainability Appraisals**
 - so the appraisal process can start on 'day 1' of plan making
 - assess impacts of plan options on socio-economic and environmental objectives
 - include Strategic Environmental Assessment and Habitats Regulations Assessment
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Summary

- Marine Management Organisation here
 - Basis for Marine Planning established
 - Government and others 'prepar(ed)ing' the ground
 - *Marine Policy Statement*
 - *Marine Planning system consultation*
 - Decision-making continues (transitional arrangements)
 - Short-term timetable (to start first plans in April 2011)
 - *Strategic scoping: on-going to April 2011*
 - *Identify first plan areas Oct 2010*
 - *Develop Statements of Public Participation Nov 2010-April 2011*
 - *Develop (Jan 2011) Appraisal of Sustainability (start Apr 2011)*
 - *Resource planning*
 - *Programming for beyond April 2011*
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Comments and questions