

The Marine Bill

Realising the opportunity

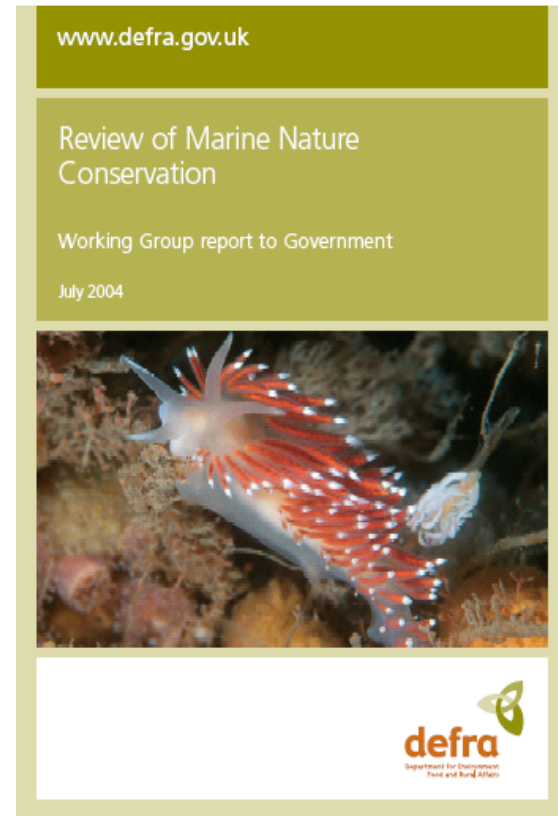
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“Possibly the most trailed Bill in history”

- Review of consents
- RMNC
- Bradley review
- Net Benefits
- Irish Sea Pilot
- EFRA 6th report



Opportunity

“This opportunity for primary legislation isn’t going to happen again for a very long time”

- All party support
- Labour party manifesto
- Drafting Committee set up
- Resources have been allocated to the bill
- Parliamentary time

Ambition

The marine bill presents a considerable opportunity to:

- Deliver Governments' commitments to sustainable development
 - securing important changes and efficiencies for industry
 - enhancing environmental protection
 - providing benefits for society who use and depend on the marine and coastal environment

To Summarize:

The marine bill is a opportunity to fundamentally change the way we manage human activities in the marine environment and to ensure that we have a healthy ecosystem.

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Welcome to the Conference

Thanks to

ABPmer English Nature

Environment Agency

Wildlife and Countryside Link



The Aim of the conference is to provide a forum for the marine and coastal constituency to explore the opportunities provided by the marine bill *as a whole*.

The Objectives of the conference are:

- To highlight the opportunity for constructive change
- To raise awareness of scope and work streams
- To help scope the important questions stakeholders have about the content and process
- To look at other issues & inter-connections between themes
- To enable involvement by stakeholders

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- Thanks to all the speakers, the sponsors and you the audience for making it such a useful day.
- Green sheets – your views – hand in
- Evaluations forms – hand in
- Power Point presentations and green from outcomes will be posted on the CMS website
- Refreshments outside